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Meeting Minutes - Final Transit and Parking Commission

*Deborah Ganaway
Alderman Raymond DeHahn
John Heckenlively
Mark Kowbel
Dustan Balkcom*

Wednesday, March 27, 2013

4:30 PM

City Hall, Room 301

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:32 P.M.

PRESENT: 4 - Raymond DeHahn, John Heckenlively, Mark Kowbel and Deborah Ganaway

EXCUSED: 1 - Dustan Balkcom

Also Present: Al Stanek, Willie McDonald, John Woodford and Tom Karkow
WRJN News.

Approval of Minutes for the February 20, 2013 Meeting

The minutes of the February 20, 2013 meeting were approved as printed. Passed unanimously.

Parking System Business

1. [13-8768](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Transit and Parking System Manager wishing to review Parking Utility operation issues including: 1) Surface Lot #5 operational issue impacts, 2) Five minute grace period meter demonstration project and 3) Ramp equipment maintenance options.

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on 03-27-13: Receive and File.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Due to system operational failures the Lakefront Lot No. 5 gate has had to be left open. The four long-term renters have requested a break in quarterly fees because of the reduced amount of control and Commissioners approved the waiving of second quarter payments.

Motion made by Kowbel, seconded by Heckenlively to receive and file. Passed unanimously.

Recommended to be Received and Filed

Transit System Business

2. [13-8554](#) **Subject:** (Direct Referral) Communication from Sherry Trentadue-Forman (231 Wickham Blvd.) wishing to discuss additional bus stops at Menards, Wal-Mart and Goodwill.

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on 02-20-13: Defer

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on 03-27-13: Receive and File.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Motion made by DeHahn, seconded by Kowbel to receive and file. Passed unanimously.

Recommended to be Received and Filed

3. [13-8555](#) **Subject:** (Direct Referral) Communication from Mary Newbold wishing to discuss reduced fare BUS policy.

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on 02-20-13: Defer

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on 03-27-13: Receive and File.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Commissioners reviewed the research and reply was prepared by staff.

Motion made by Kowbel, seconded by DeHahn to receive and file. Passed unanimously.

Recommended to be Received and Filed

4. [13-8769](#) **Subject:** Communication from the Transit and Parking System Manager wishing to review Transit Utility operation issues including: 1) Disposal/sale of fourteen 1997 NOVA buses and related parts, 2) Review of Public Comments from the Transit Development Plan public outreach meetings, 3) Six month evaluation of Route 27 change, 4) Six month evaluation of UW/Parkside service, 5) BUS General Manager's February Operations Reports, and 6) Change of April and May Commission meeting dates.

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on 03-27-13: Receive and File.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Commissioners ok'd the sale/disposal of surplus buses and reviewed the comments, evaluations and report.

Motion made by DeHahn, seconded by Kowbel to receive and file. Passed unanimously.

Recommended to be Received and Filed

5. [13-8770](#)

Subject: Communication from the Transit and Parking Commission Manager requesting to extend the existing BUS exterior advertising contract to allow for a smooth transition from existing parameters to revised parameters calling for potential limited "shrink-wraps" of the 10 oldest buses.

Recommendation of the Transit and Parking Commission on 03-27-13: Receive and File.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Commissioners approved an extension of the bus exterior advertising arrangement through 2013 with a new contract to be awarded by September 2013 providing for a transition period if a new firm is selected.

Motion made by Heckenlively, seconded by DeHahn to receive and file. Passed unanimously.

Recommended to be Received and Filed

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:36 P.M.

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