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Meeting Minutes - Approved PARKING COUNCIL FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Tuesday, August 17, 2010

5:00 PM

Room 108, City-County Building
(Parks conference room)
210 Martin Luther King, Jr., Blvd.

Call to Order/Roll Call

Present: 7-

Gary A. Weber; Duane F. Hinz; Joseph P. Kunz; William J. Tangney;
Joanne Wagner; Fayth E. Kail; Karla K. Smith

Absent: 1-

John D. Krull

1. Approval of Minutes - July 20, 2010

A motion was made by Tangney, seconded by Kail, to Approve the Minutes.
The motion passed by voice vote/other.

2. Public Comment - None

3. Report by Madison Police Department Officer Stefanie Niesen regarding the operations of the Disabled Parking Enforcement Assistance Council

Mark Packard was promoted within the PD and is no longer with Parking Enforcement. Niesen will fill in until new staff are hired. In August, there were six infractions which resulted in one warning, four citations, and one which was unenforceable due to improper signing. The sign in question was referred to Building Inspection. Niesen will follow up with Building Inspection.

4. Disabled passenger loading zones

4.A. Comments by Police Department regarding enforcement

Currently, the signs cannot be enforced other than for violation of a loading zone when a person parks for an extended period of time. Parking Enforcement is working with Traffic Engineering to come up with a solution. To be effective, specific language in State Statute would be required to make the language the same for a disabled parking stall. Hinz asked if PCFPWD should pursue legislative changes and if this is a common problem that the police see. Niesen said she cannot recall the last time there was a complaint about a disabled loading zone. Weber noted that most people do not call; they just get irritated and drive away. Niesen noted that PD goes to the schools at the beginning of the year to do education.

4.B. Status of removal of sign on S. Carroll Street (Putnam) and report from Hinz on status.

The sign has not yet been removed. Putnam will follow-up.

5. Parking for Persons With Disabilities Brochure

5.A. [19570](#) Draft distribution priority

Hinz stated that it seems that all persons could benefit from the information, but suggested that prioritizing recipients is worth doing. Tangney said it is impractical to distribute the brochure to the entire public and suggested that they are distributed where there is an interest in distributing the brochure. Weber said that the Veterans Hospital, St. Mary's and Meriter Hospital, and 1 S. Park would like brochures. Hinz said that the numbers could get very large if all these locations were provided with brochures. Tangney suggested that allowing others to print the brochures would be helpful.

Weber suggested that anyone who parks illegally in a disabled stall should receive a brochure. Kail asked how many PD would use monthly or yearly. Niesen stated that 400 would not be enough for a year.

Hinz asked what the priority is and who is responsible for distributing these brochures with a limited number of brochures. Hinz suggested distributing ten to each group as a start. Weber said ten is better than nothing, but a quantity of 25 is better to give to people until a distribution policy is determined. Tangney suggested asking recipients make their own copies.

This item will be on next meeting's agenda. Putnam will post the brochure on the city's web site if it is not already online. If more brochures are needed, the PCFPWD will seek other avenues for printing brochures. The City Attorney's Office will be contacted after more details have been worked out if an alternate source for printing brochures cannot be found.

Kail and Weber were asked to contact the interested parties and distribute a portion of the brochures while the PCFPWD is determining policy.

5.B. [19571](#) Discussion of distribution list provided by Kail and Weber

See item 5.A. for discussion.

5.C. Parking Division staff recommendations for target audience

Item 5.C. was not discussed.

6. Parking Council for People with Disabilities Function

Agenda Item 6. to be discussed at next month's meeting.

6.A. [19572](#) Discussion about purpose of the PCFPWD and roles and responsibilities of members

No discussion.

6.B. Discussion of task list

No discussion.

7. Status report by Hinz on state legislative changes related to Dis/Vet parking

Hinz indicated that since the legislation did not pass both houses, the process will have to start from the beginning when the legislature convenes in January 2011. There cannot be changes until legislature convenes in January. This item is to remain on future agendas. Weber stated that it is important that this item is on the next agenda. Put agenda item to discuss "proposed state legislation" for the next meeting.

8. Status report by Hinz on federal guidelines regarding on-street parking requirements for Dis/Vet stalls

Hinz indicated there has been no action since the last meeting. This item is to remain on future agendas.

9. Other business for referral

Kunz will not be at the next meeting. Next month's meeting will go until 6:30 p.m.

10. Assignments

Putnam will report on the status of the Disabled Loading Zone on S. Carroll St.
Putnam will report on the status of getting the brochure on city's web page.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Tangney, seconded by Kunz, to Adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other. The meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.