

**ATTACHMENT OF COMMISSION CONSIDERATION OF
PARKING ON THE CAPITOL SQUARE
Legislative File Reference 02080**

Downtown Coordinating Committee 10/20/05

DCC reaffirmed previous action* on Parking on the Square. Additionally DCC wanted to see more bike parking on the Square and also better or improved "on street" signage for the bus and bike lanes.

*Previous Action (9/23/04): A motion was made by Lang Sollinger/Walker Smith to approve Resolution, ID#36495, Directing Traffic Engineering and Parking staff to develop and implement a plan to return public parking to the Capitol Square incorporating the following recommendations

- * Enforce meters to 6:00 PM.
- * Use a mix of time limits (from 15 minutes to 1 hour) that reflect the needs of adjacent businesses.
- * Include a plan for the management of tour/school buses so that they do not park on the Square.
- * Designate cul-de-sacs near the Square as delivery zones, and refine on-Square delivery zones.
- * Add additional bike parking/racks around the Square.
- * Change the word "loading" to "unloading".
- * Investigate the size of the parking stalls with the objective of making them smaller.

Board of Estimates 10/31/05

Received the report on 10/31/05 and recommended approval.

Transit and Parking Commission 11/10/05

TPC accepted the report with the amendment that the meters be available on Farmers' Market Saturday (i.e., the meters NOT be bagged).

Pedestrian-Bicycle-Motor Vehicle Commission 11/22/05.

- 1) Recommend that the Capitol Square be configured, no later than the next curb reconstruct, to include a bicycle lane as part of an overall design that meets AASHTO standards with regard to lane widths.
- 2) Recommend that parking around the Square be restricted during the following times:
 - a. During Farmer's Market (6 am-2 pm Saturdays) -- Motion to restrict parking on Farmer's Market Saturdays carried on a 4 to 3 vote (For Shahan, Forster Rothbart, Conroy, Skidmore; against: Strawser, Webber, Kugler; Vice Chair Logan not voting)
 - b. ~~Weekdays from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.~~ Motion to restrict peak hour parking failed on a 3-4 vote, (For: Shahan, Skidmore and Conroy; Against: Forster Rothbart, Strawser, Webber, Kugler; Vice Chair Logan not voting)
- 3) Request that Traffic Engineering provide a more effective indicator to motorists of the bus/bike lane restriction. Options to explore should include pavement markings and moving the existing signage to a more visible location.
- 4) Recommend that the City of Madison ensure an ample supply of bicycle parking around Capitol Square.