

## **City of Madison**

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## Meeting Minutes - Approved PARKING COUNCIL FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Tuesday, November 22, 2011

5:00 PM

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

## Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 5:08 p.m.

Present: 4 -

Gary A. Weber; Joseph P. Kunz; William J. Tangney and Joanne Wagner

Excused: 1 -

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1. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Tangney, seconded by Weber, to approve the minutes. Weber said that item 10 should be changed to state that although snow was cleared, at times ice remained and the stall was unusable due to that issue. The minutes were approved with the changes.

- 2. Public Comment None
- 3. Disclosures and Recusals None
- 4. Report by Madison Police Department representative Aileen Seymour regarding the operations of the Disabled Parking Enforcement Assistance Council and PD training classes.

Seymour was not able to attend, but submitted the following information. PD received two reports and wrote two citations for failing to display a hang tag. Niesen met with Streets staff and reminded them to communicate with snow plowing crews and contractors to keep disabled spots clear of snow and debris. PD staff hosted a review and training on November 21st. Ten of the thirteen current Disabled Parking Enforcement Assistance Council members were able to attend. One other member completed the review and two still need to meet with Seymour. PD thanks those members on the Parking Council for People with Disabilities who are also on Disabled Parking Enforcement Assistance Council that attended. One of Seymour's goals is to give feedback on the response after the infraction reports are submitted. The City is willing to set up an online report system, but cannot start on that until after the new year.

Request from Brenda Konkel for disabled parking stall in front of 1202 Williamson St.

Jeanne Erickson, Social Justice Center building manager, attended the meeting. Erickson stated that they have one disabled stall in the back of the building, but this does not provide access to the front of the building. The ramp at the back of the building only provides access to their incubator space, which is on the lower level. People needing to access the first floor from the back parking lot have to go up the sidewalk along Few Street. With the changes of employment at the Tenant Resource Center, there are more volunteers and an increased number of individuals who have a mobility disability needing access to the building. Having a place reserved at the front of the building would provide much more convenient access. The building unlocks its doors at 9:00 am, while the parking prohibition ends at 8:30 am. Erickson stated that the Center does not see a problem with people with disabled tags using the stall overnight. Tangney asked if it would work for users to have the first parking space on Few Street reserved for persons with disabilities. Erickson replied that this area on Few Street is often where snow gets dumped. Tangney expressed concern about the narrowed Willy Street which would place a person using a walker in close proximity to heavy traffic, and stated that Few street is potentially a better location. A motion was made by Weber, seconded by Tangney, that Tangney and Weber review and recommend a location to the PCFPWD. Tangney and Weber will review the field conditions and report back to the PCFPWD.

6. Discuss issue of snow being piled in Disabled stalls

Tangney said that Niesen has contacted city staff and the city contractors on this issue. Weber would like this item to remain on future agendas until further notice.

7. Discuss issues related to snow that PCFPWD should consider

Weber stated that ice is a concern and is often a problem after the snow has been cleared from a stall. Weber said that his ramp would have been damaged if he had tried to put it down on the ice that remained in the disabled stall on Martin Luther King Jr Blvd. Tangney mentioned that snow around curb ramps and bus stops is also a concern, but that is an issue for a different committee.

8. 20218 Distribution list for Parking for Persons with Disabilities brochure

There are no new organizations to add.

Putnam to report on results of alternative disabled parking provided for major events this past summer, and status of City Web site to show alternative parking locations.

Putnam is waiting to hear from staff and will report when information is available. This item should be included on next month's agenda.

10. Other business for referral

Weber requested that the Council discuss the location of disabled parking stalls in relation to pay-on-foot stations in the State Street Campus garage.

11. Assignments

Tangney and Weber will review DIS parking for 1202 Williamson St. Putnam will review locations of disabled stalls and pay-on-foot stations at State Street Campus Garage.

## Adjournment

A motion was made by Tangney, seconded by Kunz, to Adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other. The meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

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