

**PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION & PARKING COMMISSION**  
**MINUTES**  
**June 18, 2014**

The Public Transportation and Parking Commission met on the above date at 9:15 a. m. in the conference room of the Public Works Department.

Members Present: Ms. Marsha Wyly, Ms. Jessica Faison, Mr. Charles Moore, and Mr. Brian Farkas

Member Absent: Mr. Bob Thompson and Mr. Dave Schwartz

Staff Present: Mr. Scott Godefroy, City Engineer, Mr. Kenneth Jackson, Operations Manager, Mr. Stephen Mancuso, Transit Manager, and Ms. Geraldine Teel, Secretary

Council Liaison: Council Member Richard Croskery

**WELCOME:** Ms. Marsha Wyly called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. and established a quorum was present.

**AGENDA:** Ms. Marsha Wyly asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. There were two additions to New Business by Ms. Marsha Wyly: Election of Vice-Chair and the provision of advance information on any new item on the agenda.

**MINUTES:** Ms. Marsha Wyly asked if there were any additions, deletions, or corrections to the May minutes. There were none. Mr. Brian Farkas moved approval as written. The motion was seconded by Ms. Jessica Faison and unanimously approved.

**GREENVILLE TRANSPORTATION ACTIVITY CENTER (GTAC):** Mr. Stephen Mancuso gave an update on GTAC. He stated that at the first meeting in June, the State Board of Transportation approved the STIP to include funding that was allocated for the project. Mr. Mancuso said the Federal Transit Administration endorsement letter has been received as well as the amendment. With both documents, he noted that this completes the application process which makes the grant funding possible. Mr. Scott Godefroy stated a study of the Dickinson Avenue corridor is underway. He noted there were some suggestions on how to alter the streets in the area. In addition, the study and the Dickinson Avenue Modernization Project will have an impact on parking as well. There will no longer be on-street parking in the area. Approximately 12 spaces will be eliminated due to the street scape project with wider sidewalks he said. Mr. Godefroy said it is now conceived as a complete brick street from Reade to Fourteenth Street. He stated staff will be looking for opportunities for off-street parking in that area as part of the planning process. He said he is looking forward to moving ahead with the design and acquisition process.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Ms. Marsha Wyly asked if there were any public comments. There were none at this time.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Ms. Marsha Wyly stated due to the resignation of Mr. Bob Thompson, she would like the nomination of a new Vice-Chair to be placed on the August Agenda since there is no meeting scheduled for the month of July. In addition, Ms. Wyly stated she did not feel comfortable discussing the new E-tag program on last months agenda due to the fact of having no prior information on the new line item. Ms. Wyly asked Mr. Stephen Mancuso to develop a policy to have information, just key points, on any new line item that commission members have no reference point to be included in the packet from now on to give a heads-up on the item. Mr. Mancuso agreed. Council Member Richard Croskery had comments about advertising on the GREAT buses. He asked if that could be a way of bring in more revenue and if it can be done, it should be. A discussion was held on the pros and cons. Mr. Mancuso stated that he and Mr. Kevin Mulligan, Public Works Director had discussed the issue and it's under consideration.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**PARKING UPDATE:** Mr. Scott Godefroy gave a brief update on the parking deck. He stated the parking deck is now under construction, the ground has been broken. He stated in the next two week, the contractors will have two different test piles in similar soil with two different levels. He stated by the end of September pre-cast panels will be coming in as well. Mr. Godefroy stated staff is in the process of coordinating with the adjoining property owners to see if they are willing to share the cost of the alley improvements behind them. He said the dumpster pad will be relocated to the Roses lot. The City will be installing the pad with enclosure and another small enclosure will be installed for the residents as well. Mr. Godefroy stated staff is trying to resolve the issue of grease containers placed in the alley. He noted the sixteen parking spaces on the Moseley lot have been moved temporary to the ECU parking lot until December. He said Fourth and Cotanche Streets have been changed to a three-way stop.

**GREAT DATA & RGP SERVICE REPORT:** Mr. Stephen Mancuso gave a brief update. He stated ridership for May 2014 is slightly higher than May 2013. He stated revenues on a monthly basis and annual basis are over budget and expenses are less than budget. Mr. Mancuso discussed the Short-Range Transit Plan. He stated a presentation will be made to the Commission at the August meeting and then to City Council for consideration. He noted that one operational change has been made to Route 2. Service to the VA hospital has been included. A new bus stop has been established to serve the people that need to go to Family Practice. Vidant Medical Center has agreed to transport GREAT passengers on their red route to Family Practice at no additional charge.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for August 20, 2014, at 9:15 a.m. in the Public Works Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Geraldine Teel, Secretary  
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