



City of Longview

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Minutes

Downtown Advisory Committee

Tuesday, July 18, 2023

10:00 AM

2nd Floor, City Hall

HYBRID MEETING DETAILS

23-001323 In Person or by Microsoft Teams - [register here](#) for Teams (required)
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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 am.

ROLL CALL

In attendance: Allan Rudberg, Co-Chair; Elizabeth Borders; Ariel Large; Pat Palmer; Karl Salzsieder; Rashelle Sanders

Excused: Brad Whittaker, Chair; Bill Hallanger; Dawn Morgan

Absent: Rachelle Sanders; Ruth Kendall, Council Liaison

Staff present: Ann Rivers; Mary Chennault; Nancy Vandehey

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

23-001324 Minutes from June 20, 2023

Pat Palmer, seconded by Karl Salzsieder, made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. This passed unanimously.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

23-001325 Goals identified from the June 20th meeting

The board agreed that parking needs to be added to the shortened list of priorities. There was a discussion on the role of DAC in responsibility of the priorities.

Elizabeth Borders made a motion, second by Pat Palmer, to check DAC on the list of 16 priorities. This failed unanimously.

It was determined to keep DAC unchecked but to monitor the progress. The first step is to reach out to

the partners listed and engage them in a discussion to work together to complete the task. Karl Salzsieder made a motion to direct Ann Rivers to contact groups and report back within 60 days and incorporate parking issues to the priorities list. This failed for a lack of second, as the board can make recommendations to Council but not direct staff. Ann Rivers volunteered to seek out a group to join our meetings for the next few months rather than one larger meeting. Parking will be added as item #63 and added to the priorities list.

REPORTS

23-001327 Downtowners Report - Josh/Ariel/Pat

As Ariel Large needed to leave, she asked to provide a report first. Downtowners are currently working on Harvest Festival, the Centennial parade and outdoor seating.

23-001326 Parking Reports - LPD

Mary Chennault shared the parking reports. She shared that a part-time parking enforcement person was hired. Software hasn't been purchased yet as the final steps have not been completed on the ordinance update. Mary will follow up with the group on the higher number of warnings given.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

As the visitors to the meeting arrived after the public comment period, Allan Rudberg asked if they wanted to speak.

Max Camp of Continental Investors expressed frustration with the parking regulations and inconsistencies with ticketing and warnings.

Erik Halverson asked about getting the extra 2 hour parking passes online rather than coming into City Hall to purchase.

Ruth Kendall stated that the new software will have that capability.

There was a discussion about the current \$30K balance in the parking fund. This money could be spent on parking lot repairs but it also pays the wages for parking enforcement. It was once a much higher balance and then over the years dwindled with parking changes made years ago. We are seeing an increase but we've also not been paying wages in recent months.

A request was made to provide parking lot information on the next city newsletter. After being asked how to sign up for the newsletter, Nancy was unable to find the sign up link quickly on the city website, but she will provide a link to the board after the meeting.

Karl Salzsieder asked for a parking zone map to be shared with the group.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING AUGUST 15th

The meeting was adjourned at 11:18 am.