

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PARKING COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, HELD IN THE 2ND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM, 100 NORTH U.S. #1, FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, AT 9:00 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2024.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Gus Gutierrez called the January 10, 2024, Parking Committee meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Dan Cushman; Gus Gutierrez; John Hening; Edward Dillon; Ryan Collins; Doris Tillman

Absent: David BuShea

Staff Present: Jack Andrews, City Engineer; Julie Bye, Engineering Executive Assistant; Brittany Meredith, Deputy City Clerk

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. Approval of the Minutes from the October 11, 2023, Meeting.

Motion was made by John Hening, seconded by Dan Cushman to approve the minutes from the October 11, 2023 meeting.

AYE: Dan Cushman, Doris Tillman, Edward Dillon, Gus Gutierrez, John Hening, Ryan Collins

Passed

4. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Any person who wishes to comment on any subject on this Agenda may be heard at this time. Please limit your comments to no more than five (5) minutes, as this section of the Agenda is limited to thirty minutes. The Parking Committee will not be able to take any official action under "Comments from the Public" section.

No Comments

5. **OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Update on Parking Garage Counter System

City Engineer, Jack Andrews gave the update on the Parking Garage Counter System. He stated that the County is not currently partnering. This will encourage people to park in the garage. The system is compatible for pay to park and the system is upgradeable.

b. JC Penny Parking Discussion

Mr. Andrews started the discussion of the JC Penny Parking lot. The plan will be coming in front of the City Commission at the first meeting in March and the current draft of the parking layout is fully ADA compliant. The current loss of parking spaces is roughly 20 spaces. The Indian River Drive slanted parking will be a part of phase 2.

c. Parking East of Square Grouper Discussion

Mr. Andrews started the discussion about the Parking East of Square Grouper. The committee stated parking is going to be necessary when the lot to the west is developed. The Committee is in favor of the parking plan Mr. Andrews created.

Motion was made by John Hening, seconded by Dan Cushman to endorse the Parking plan.

AYE: Dan Cushman, Doris Tillman, Edward Dillon, Gus Gutierrez, John Hening,
Ryan Collins

Passed

d. Lease/ Construction of Temporary Parking Indian River Drive between Avenue D and Cedar Place

Mr. Andrews presented the Lease/ Construction of Temporary Parking Indian River Drive between Avenue D and Cedar Place. He stated the draft for this proposal is in with the legal department for review.

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

a. Brightline Proposal

Mr. Andrews presented to proposal that was submitted to Brightline. The Committee discussed how the proposed plan is not feasible and would need to be reconfigured for proper parking and driving routes. This proposal will require further discussion. The City will know before March if the proposal was accepted.

7. **COMMITTEE AND STAFF COMMENTS**

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Gus Gutierrez adjourned the meeting at 10:05 AM.

ATTEST:

RECORDING SECRETARY

CHAIR