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Residential Parking Public Input Session  
Boardman Neighborhood  
Governmental Center, 400 Boardman Ave 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Tuesday, April 5, 2016 6:00 PM  
Minutes

1. Attendees: 600 letters were mailed to the property owners of Board Neighborhood of which 28 attended the meeting representing Webster, Washington, Franklin, Railroad, and Wellington.
2. Introductions
  - a. Elizabeth Whelan, Boardman Neighborhood Association President
  - b. Nicole VanNess and Mike Helferich of Traverse City Parking Services and John Serratelli, Planning Commission Chair
  - c. Agreement between City of Traverse City and Downtown Development Authority to Manage and Operate Traverse City Parking Services.
3. Presentation on History
  - a. Residential Parking Permits
    - i. 2001 – 400 Block of Webster Street first to request residential permits to help with spillover from TCAPS Admin Building.
    - ii. 2001-2014 Residential permit pilots initiated and ranged from 90 days to 6 months. All pilots extended and exceeded pilot timeframe.
    - iii. Requests and requirements for pilots:
      1. A resident from a block would send a request to the City Manager's Office or Traffic Committee.
      2. City Manager's Office and City Engineering would survey property owners of the block for their input.
      3. Survey results of 51% in favor would determine interest. A temporary Traffic Control Order (TCO) would be issued, and completed permit applications allowed up to 2 permits per property.
    - iv. May 2015 City Commission chose to take no action on the recommendations for a permanent residential permit parking program.
  - b. Planning Commission, Parking Subcommittee
    - i. Meetings held throughout 2015
    - ii. Topics considered included: Residential parking, Spillover parking, Overnight parking, Park and ride programs, Parking requirements
  - c. Neighborhood Association Meetings
    - i. Staff determined the need to hold public input sessions to gather feedback before proposing new recommendations back to City Commission for parking related to residential areas.
    - ii. Hold initial Association meetings, Gather public input, Survey, Anticipate follow-up or additional input sessions. All meetings will be completed by the end of April.
    - iii. No defined timeline for new recommendations or proposals
4. Discussion: Group Breakout Activity



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- a. What are the top 3 parking issues specific to your block/zone/area?
    - i. Overnight except when it snows – (1)
    - ii. Overnight except when it snows w/ guest permit – (3)
    - iii. Alleys: both in terms of narrowness and getting out (8<sup>th</sup> ST a factor) – (3)
    - iv. Railroad has 3 landlocked houses who require overnight parking access – (1)
    - v. Railroad is wide and fast: Bring on the parking (1)
    - vi. Space next to medical office needs to be better signed (1)
    - vii. Too many signs (example: Washington) – (1)
  - b. What are the top 3 contributing factors to parking issues specific to your block/zone/area?
    - i. Downtown spillover – (4)
    - ii. Lack of visitor parking – (1)
    - iii. Respect for neighborhood character – (1)
    - iv. Land locked houses – (1)
    - v. Railroad is too wide – (1)
5. Closing Comments:
- a. Residents
    - i. 2 hour allowance for general public is acceptable
    - ii. Parking permit system for property owners
    - iii. Suggest the landowner be able to issue overnight and day parking permits to the visitor/guest
    - iv. Unaffordable parking downtown for workforce is driving parkers into the neighborhood
    - v. Little Fleet
    - vi. Enforcement- enforcing in alleys
    - vii. Wellington Inn 11 units/rooms, common sense should rule with one permit per room
    - viii. Open to a Boardman Neighborhood permit rather than a permit that is restricted to a specific block
6. Public Survey - <http://www.downtownc.com/maps-parking/residential-parking>