

Parking Committee Meeting Summary

Meeting Type:	Date:	Form Completed By:
FHNA Parking	March 6, 2013	Rich Polan & Ginny Gerhart
Attendees:		
8 Total: Bob Merbler, Ivo Jamrosz, Rich Polan (Chair), Andrew Swanston, Andrew Kittell, Rob Goodman, Sabino Strippoli, Ginny Gerhart		
Agenda/Main Issues Discussed:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Committee update, DNQ worksheets, sign relocation recommendations, matrix, inventory map 2. Area #9 City Data Bank 3. Area #9 Rules/Regulations 4. Parking Violations form 5. Lanasa Lane private parking lot 6. Communication with homeowner's associations affected by DNQ 7. Total # decals & visitors passes issued 8. Visitor's passes issued to area churches 9. Loading dock space in front of 301 Warren 10. Parking signage 11. Metered parking on Covington & Key Highway 12. West St. garage 13. Shofer parking lot between Light and S. Charles <p>KEY: DNQ (do not qualify for parking decal), RPP (Residential Parking Permit program), BCPA (Baltimore City Parking Authority), PA (Parking Authority)</p>		
Keys Points/Decisions Made:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Several items were circulated for review and comment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FHNA Parking Committee – Update / 2013 RPP Area #9 DNQ Worksheet 3/5/2013 RPP Area #9 DNQ Worksheet 1/29/2013 DOT Sign Relocation Recommendations FHNA Area #9 RPP Inventory Map Historic Area #9 Matrix • Committee needs more access to City Data Bank for available Area #9 info. • Area #9 Rules/Regulations need to be obtained and circulated as reference to parking committee members, e.g., need clarification of regulation about commercial vehicles' right to obtain Area 9 decals. • Committee and block captains' use of the Parking Violations form to keep track of RPP abuses was suggested. • DNQ list almost ready for final acceptance by the committee. The committee will vote on the DNQ list with recommendation to the Board. In turn the Board will act to interface with BCPA/PA Steve Robinson. • We discussed the private visitors parking spaces in the lot belonging to Lanasa Lane condo association and the possibility of its use by residents on the Grindall St. side, which lacks off- parking. Discussion and agreement: Board should communicate to any impacted Homeowner's association affected by suggested DNQ spaces. • A question came up on the number of decals and visitor passes being distributed this year. RP responded that the annual distribution handed out 596 decals and VPs and that Steve Robinson could be contacted for a 2013 "total" within a few weeks. • The city issues visitor passes to area churches. We need clarification of how many passes each church receives and uses. City parking police don't typically ticket misuse of these passes. Enforcement, in general, is always an issue. • Suggestion, discussion, and agreement that the 2 loading spaces in front of 301 Warren should only be "loading" between 8:00 AM & 8:00 PM and convert to Area #9 dedicated spaces from 8:00 PM to 8:00 AM and added to the Matrix. • Suggestion: one of our objectives be to get simpler signage; some debate ensued without specific 		

resolution and tabled for future discussion.

- Status of metered parking on Covington and the 2 areas along Key Highway was questioned. The group was reminded that previous resolution was to look at each of the 3 areas as separate topics for political reasons and tabled for future discussion.
- Feasibility of adding height to the West Street garage, as mentioned in previous meetings, was suggested. Garage was originally built for addition of one story.
- We discussed investigating a possible arrangement to finance and/or partner w/ Hank Shofer to build a high-rise garage between Light & Charles.
- A resident's ability to circumvent the system to get on-street parking spaces on either side of his alley removed for "safety" reasons and the state's daylight parking law were discussed.

Next Steps (include name of responsible persons):

- RP &/or GG will try to get access to City Data Bank for available Area #9 info
- RP or GG will obtain and circulate Area #9 Rules/Regulations for parking committee members to use as a reference, e.g., need clarification of regulation about commercial vehicles' right to obtain Area 9 decals.
- RP & GG agreed to further vet the DNQ list for final acceptance by the committee.
- Each parking committee member will review the matrix for further discussion next meeting.
- GG will present data on how many visitor passes The City has given directly to church groups. We will have to contact church leaders to find out how many of these passes are in use.

Date of Next Meeting, if known:

April 12, 2013, at 7 pm, same location