

City of Jacksonville, Florida

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Executive/Finance Sub-Committee

Minutes*

Monday May 6, 2019 Meeting, Disabled Services Conference

Members Present: Natalie Alden, Jose Morales, Ron McCauley, Barbara Brown

Disabled Services Staff Present: Kevin McDaniel, Lois Smokes, Kara Tucker, Jimmy Smith

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Jose Morales provided an update on Art Museum Drive. The City's Traffic Engineer, ADA Coordinator, Public Works Special Projects Manager, and members from the community on Art Museum Drive attended.

Jose stated that the City Engineer provided information about the short term changes and long term changes that were planned.

Kevin McDaniel provided maps from the meeting to illustrate changes suggested. Kevin McDaniel provided an overview of short term improvements and long term improvements as presented by Traffic Engineering.

The committee reviewed two applications for council membership. The council passed a motion to provide Disabled Services an opportunity to vet second candidate submitted on 5/2/2019.

The committee will hold a membership committee in July.

Kevin McDaniel discussed the division's efforts to address critical service areas in Jacksonville.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Special meeting on Downtown Public Parking convened at 11:00 a.m.

Members Present: Natalie Alden, Ron McCauley, Barbara Brown

Disabled Services Staff Present: Kevin McDaniel, Lois Smokes, Kara Tucker, Jimmy Smith



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Natalie Alden stated that the council has been reviewing parking solutions across the country and have been working to identify changes that will benefit citizens with disabilities.

Natalie Alden stated that the council was reviewing the Sun Pass for drivers that use hand controls. Natalie Alden asked if hand controls could be given special consideration in more stringent parking enforcement.

Kevin McDaniel and Nancy Albertson discussed 316.1945 and zoning requirements for disability parking. Nancy Albertson suggested changing the meter rates.

The council asked that parking be addressed for special events in which disability parking spaces are blocked or bagged. A "Parking Plan" was suggested to be created by vendors holding special events. The committee suggested that a parking plan be submitted for special events that should be submitted and signed off on by Disabled Services. Should be convenient to the venue. Street closures should also be considered in this sign off as it also affects parking availability for persons with disabilities.

Suggested solution 1: 1) zoning all disability parking spaces for four hours, 2) providing exception for hand controls (qualified transportation disadvantaged) and DV tags.

DV tags are currently exempt from having to pay for metered parking. Any proposed legislation needs to mirror this exemption for vehicles with hand-controls and wheelchair lifts, and discussion centered on using the FDOT certification decal to meet that exempt requirement.

The committee discussed installing a time limit on disability parking spaces downtown, and suggested making that limit be consistent with how Parking is enforcing metered parking spaces (4 hour limit).

Nancy Albertson suggested that a survey be conducted downtown of citizens who are parking downtown and using a disabled parking permits. It was suggested that a survey be created and provided to downtown employees.

Working downtown, do you:



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- Use a meter
- Qualify to park for up to four hours on a meter
- Work downtown
- Park on street parking for over four hours per day
- Have access to garage or surface lot parking
- --Parking plan question—
- --Rates question--

The Jazz Fest was discussed and the availability of disability parking.

Disabled Services to create a survey for downtown parking. Public Parking to help distribute. Survey shall be printed on card stock with link to survey; survey should include option to leave personal information so participants may be invited to public meetings.

The committee agreed to distribute surveys and meet with City stakeholders to discuss results, with a follow up meeting to be scheduled with interested participants. Stakeholders may include JTA, Clerk of Court, JSO, OGC, etc.

Kevin McDaniel to send question list to committee and Public Parking to create final survey.

Kevin McDaniel will reach out to Special Events to discuss disability parking at events per committee's request.

Meeting adjourned: 12:04 p.m.

Public Parking Staff Present: Nancy Albertson, Mark Schofield.

Chair: Natalie Alden Co-Chair: Ronald McCauley
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