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

1. Attendees: 360 letters were mailed to the property owners of Old Towne Neighborhood of which 8 attended the meeting representing Lake Avenue, 9<sup>th</sup> Street, and 10<sup>th</sup> Street. One person attended from Central Neighborhood representing 13<sup>th</sup> Street.
2. Introductions
  - a. Nicole VanNess and Mike Helferich of Traverse City Parking Services, and John Serratelli, Planning Commission Chair
  - b. 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. 2001-2014 Residential permit pilots initiated and ranged from 90 days to 6 months. All pilots extended and exceeded pilot timeframe.
    - ii. 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.
    - iii. 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 in 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 complete by the end of April.
    - iii. No defined timeline for new recommendations or proposals
4. Discussion: Group Breakout Activity
  - a. What are the top 3 parking issues specific to your block/zone/area?



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- i. Available Parking on 10<sup>th</sup> by Oryana (Open Parking) - (1)
      - ii. Tree Lawn (No curbs, looks shabby...) - (2)
      - iii. Businesses with in line parking – (1)
      - iv. Employee Parking Spill Over – (3)
      - v. Overnight Parking for guest – (2)
      - vi. Residential Permits for guests – (1)
      - vii. Residential Permits – (3)
      - viii. Signed Parking – (1)
      - ix. Lack of Enforcement of sign limits
    - b. What are the top 3 contributing factors to parking issues specific to your block/zone/area?
      - i. Employees/Businesses – (3)
      - ii. Built out streets- Engineering – (2)
      - iii. Commercial Parking & Traffic – (1)
      - iv. Theater/School (Overflow) – (3)
      - v. Confusing Signs – (1)
  5. Closing Comments:
    - a. Residents
      - i. What is the issue with lifting the overnight ordinance in the summer months?
      - ii. Does not “seem” to be a lot of cars on street Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.
      - iii. Neighborhood permits
      - iv. Can it be a T.C. residential permit – 1 program?
      - v. Alley Parking?
      - vi. Free permit or pay for permits?
      - vii. Special needs parking
      - viii. Snowplowing during evening hours- when school is in season plows come through and block people in
      - ix. Potholes in the road due to large Semis turning onto Lake from 8<sup>th</sup> which makes parking difficult
      - x. McGoughs needs “lined” parallel parking instead of angled parking
  6. Public Survey - <http://www.downtowntc.com/maps-parking/residential-parking>