

PARK TUCSON COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Meeting held virtually via Microsoft Teams

March 22, 2022



1. Call to Order

Vice-Chair Jeannine Mortimer called the meeting to order at 8:02a.m.

2. Roll Call

Donovan Durband called the roll and determined that a quorum was established with nine (9) members present. The quorum was present until adjournment.

Members Present Zach Baker Michael Guymon Jim Sayre Barbara Brookhart Dale Calvert Jeannine Mortimer Jill Brammer Christopher Gordon Richard Mayers	Members Absent Jeffrey Stewart Jane McCollum Casey Anderson Jane Roxbury Valeria Moraga	Staff Present Donovan Durband, Park Tucson Administrator Omar Garcia, Park Tucson Management Assistant Amanda Valenzuela, DTM Public Information Coordinator Audience: Diana Amado, Ward 6
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3. Call to the Audience

None

4. Minutes from the February 22, 2022 Commission Meeting

Dale Calvert moved to accept the February 22, 2022 meeting minutes with a second from Barbara Brookhart. Minutes approved 9-0.

5. Chair's Report

None. No action taken.

6. Park Tucson Financial Report

Omar Garcia and Donovan Durband presented the February 2022 Financials. Meter revenue was not where it should have been due to some functionality issues and a shutdown of Verizon's 2G service that was rectified in early March. Verizon is contractually obligated to IPS Group (meter manufacturer and operator) to provide 2G service through the end of 2022, but they shut down

multiple towers in Tucson, without warning or announcement. We are at 67% of normal pre Covid revenue, year-to-date and trending towards consuming the remaining fund balance by the end of June, with the June debt service payment.

Park Tucson has begun charging \$3 for evening and weekend transient parking at the Franklin Street Lot, since the opening of the restaurant Bata has generated additional activity in the area. Franklin Lot may be shut down for environmental work and then development later this year. **No action taken.**

7. Subcommittee Reports

Finance & Capital Needs Subcommittee

Dale and Jeannine reported that while the revenue is steadily increasing, the impending debt service payment will take the fund balance at or close to zero at the end of the fiscal year. **No action taken.**

Marketing Subcommittee

Zach Baker reported on, and praised, Amanda Valenzuela for her efforts in social media and with the weekly event parking email updates. Donovan Durband reported on the customer maps and flyers that Amanda had designed for businesses to communicate to their staff what monthly parking is available.

A video of Amanda describing her activities on behalf of Park Tucson was shown. Amanda had produced the video that Park Tucson presented in January to the DTM management team on what Park Tucson does.

No action taken.

Business District Parking Subcommittee

Zach Baker reported that the subcommittee had discussed garage security with Donovan at its last meeting, and Donovan had also described some customer improvements that are planned for the garages this year, including a new garage payment app, a hybrid gateless system based on LPR, and 24/7 remote customer service provided at the entry and exit lanes when customers request assistance.

No action taken.

Neighborhood & Residential Parking Subcommittee

Richard Mayers reported that the subcommittee is looking at parking and traffic flow around Tucson High and Roskruge Middle School and at the impacts of construction parking. Donovan reported to the subcommittee on outreach efforts related to the proposed changes to T.C.C. Sec. 20-260, prohibiting parking in off-street easement areas. These included briefing the Jefferson Park Neighborhood Association and a news story on KGUN-9.

Donovan had also reported on the e-scooter program and enforcement of mis-parked scooters. **No action taken.**

8. Complete Streets Coordinating Council Update

Jill Brammer reported on Prop. 411, the ballot initiative to be decided at a special election in May. It would extend the current half-cent sales tax for roadway repair another ten years. Richard Mayers asked if there was any funding in the initiative for widening roads? Jill and Dale Calvert confirmed that there was not. Dale is the chair of the Bond Oversight Committee, and he stated that 80% of the funding will go to repair neighborhood streets, as 75% of the neighborhood streets are in poor or failing condition. **No action taken.**

9. Campus Community Relations Committee Update

No report. No action taken.

10. Administrator's Report

Donovan Durband reported on the following topics:

- Franklin Street Lot, charging nights and weekends
- Security staffing challenges
- Parking Services Agent hiring challenges
- Parking Meters, 4G conversion
- NCAA Tournament, potential civil unrest planning
- Tugo Bike Share program

No action taken.

11. Future Agenda Items

None.

12. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 9:22 a.m.