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PUBLIC PARKING ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 2012
Lower Level Carnegie, Public Parking Conference Room

Members Present: Rod Carlson, Richard Gourley, Hugh Dodson, Dan Johnson, Mike Von Bergen

Members Absent: Todd Meierhenry

Others Present: Darrin Smith, Brent O’Neil, Matt Nelson, Dwight McElhaney, Jason Dennison, Duane Hatch, and Gail Trantina.

1) CALL TO ORDER
President Rod Carlson called the meeting to order at 8:02am

2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF March 6, 2012.
Motion by R. Gourley, second by D. Johnson, approved unanimously.

3) NEW BUSINESS
   a) Nominations and Elections of Officers– Rod Carlson
      Rod Carlson presented the following members for nomination and opened the floor for other nominations and discussion:
         i) President - Todd Meierhenry
         ii) Vice-President - Rich Gourley
         iii) Secretary – Dan Johnson
      Motion was made by M. Von Bergen to approve, second by H. Dodson, approved unanimously

   b) Financial Report – Duane Hatch
      Duane reported that revenues remain down. Ticket revenue is down because of lack of snow in the first quarter. Despite this, we are still making a profit and adding to the total cash balance.

   c) Leased Parking Report – Matt Nelson
      Matt noted due the new facility CNA built, the loss of leased customers is approximately 370 leases. The overall leased parking is at 67% and Public Parking is working on strategies to increase the demand to a more desirable rate over 70%. He also reported the customer relocations resulting from the River Ramp demolition and the CNA move should be complete by July.

   d) East Bank Development Update – Brent O’Neil
      The board inquired as to any news of buyers or tenants for the former CNA building and Brent noted that Community Development has not been aware of any. Brent reported that the City Of Sioux Falls involvement with the sale and transfer of the east bank development at the former river ramp parking site is nearly complete. The City Council is scheduled to hold the second reading at the June 5 meeting for final approval and that the tentative date for transfer of the property is June 28th. The developer plans to begin environmental work on the site in July.
The contract allows for the hotel to open in 2014 but they hope to be able to open in 2013 dependent on weather and any unforeseen factors. Phase II of the River Greenway project is scheduled to begin this summer and it will be important to coordinate timing with the property development.

e) Credit Card Meter RFP – Matt Nelson told the board that the RFP is slated to go out around June 14th. The PPAB will set a date to meet and evaluate the vendor proposals. The RFP is written for a 15-20% replacement and the meters will be located mainly on Phillips Ave.

f) 320 S 1st Ave Lot Improvements – Matt Nelson
Parking will be leasing this lot 100% to the Federal Government beginning sometime in July. The lot will be fenced and gated prior to the lease taking effect. Matt also told the board that the lighting in the lot under the viaduct has also been improved due to concerns expressed by the USPS who is the leased customer in 100% of this lot.

g) Announcement of New Board Member (July 2012) –Darrin Smith
Darrin announced that Mayor Huether has appointed Nancy Savage, owner of Child’s Play Toys, to the PPAB to fill the position vacated by the term expiration of Dick Murphy. Nancy is a downtown business owner who follows the news and issues relating to downtown Sioux Falls. Nancy will join the board in July pending Council approval of her appointment at the June 12th meeting.

4) OTHER BUSINESS
a) Darrin shared with the board that hotel may be looking to lease public parking in the area of the new development in the future.

b) Darrin told the board that we are looking into the feasibility of making aesthetic improvements to the 122 S. Main Ramp.

c) The Council will vote to allocate the surplus CIP dollars at the June 12th meeting. Phase II of the River Greenway project hopes to receive some of the allocation for fountains and a stairway that were removed from the original design plan.

d) Darrin and Jason Dennison (Downtown Sioux Falls) reminded the board of the River Greenway Ribbon Cutting event Friday June 8th beginning at 4:30 p.m.

Rod Carlson left the meeting at 8:45 a.m.

5) ADJOURNMENT
Motion by R. Gourley, second by H. Dodson, the meeting adjourned at 8:50 a.m.