

**CITY OF DEADWOOD
PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

June 26, 2025

1. ROLL CALL:

The City of Deadwood Parking and Transportation Committee met Thursday, June 26, 2025, in the Century Room in City Hall. Justin Lux called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Present were Justin Lux, Cory Shafer, Dory Hanson, Kevin Kuchenbecker, Tom Riley, Lornie Stalder, Cory Percy, Misty Trehwella and Andy Goodwin. Commissioner Mike Johnson was also present.

Absent were Trent Mohr and John Rystrom.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes for the meeting on Thursday, June 12, 2025, were approved unanimously by a motion from Mr. Stalder and a second by Ms. Trehwella.

3. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS ON AGENDA:

- a. **Deadwood Hill Trailhead Lot:** Mr. Lux indicated the project was underway and that the contractor was moving material. It looks like it's moving pretty quick.
- b. **McGovern Hill Retaining Wall:** Mr. Kuchenbecker indicated tree removal was starting today and the lane should be able to remain open while work is being done.
- c. **Highway 85 Water Redundancy Line:** Mr. Stalder indicated the contractor wants to start Monday but none of the easements have come back yet. We will have to give up some of the parking spaces in the parking ramp during the project. Mr. Stalder will get an approximation of how long they will need the parking stalls in the ramp.
- d. **New Trolley Schedule:** Mr. Lux indicated First Gold asked if they could be added back on to the trolley route as a stop. Discussion was had with the drivers to determine if a time slot could be added in and it was determined there was enough room to add an additional stop at First Gold.

4. NOTICE TO CONTEST PARKING TICKETS:

5. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. **Event Message or Mayor Sign:** Mr. Lux indicated this is for the lower monument on Main Street by the archway. Not yet determined what will be on that sign year around, however, to assist with event traffic and to help with flow on lower Main Street, the suggestion was to make the sign removable so it could be taken off and flipped over and the back would say something to the effect of "Event Today. Main Street Access Ahead." Discussion. The thought is to have the Mayor's name on one side and the other message on the other side. Motion to approve by Ms. Hanson, second by Mr. Kuchenbecker; motion carried.

- b. **Tin Lizzie Parking Lot:** Tin Lizzie has informed up they are turning that parking lot into a paid lot with a gated system. Discussions with them were to make access safe and easy. We are encouraging them to get rid of the curb cut. This will give them and the City a couple more spots. Discussion. Once this is done, the City should review the fees charged for that section of Main Street. Motion to vacate the access point due to the changes to their parking lot and create two spaces on Main Street by Mr. Kuchenbecker, second by Mr. Riley; motion carried.
- c. **Jayden's Giving Heart Memorial Run Scavenger Hunt requests Motorcycle Parking in front of the Oyster Bay July 19, 2025 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm:** Mr. Lux said there will be approximately 50-60 motorcycles and a couple of vehicles. This was here last year as well. It was a low impact event. It's a fundraiser for a Sturgis teen who died a couple of years ago in a crash. Discussion. Mr. Lux will ask if the times can be changed to 2:00 – 3:00 but either way motion to approve by Mr. Stalder, second by Mr. Percy; motion carried.
- d. **Jesse Carsten Wedding:** Mr. Carsten was present to talk on this. He indicated he was having a motorcycle wedding this Sunday, June 29 in Outlaw Square. He asked if the motorcycles could park on Main Street in front of the Harley Davidson just during the wedding. Expects 20 – 50 bikes. The wedding starts at 2:00. It should be a short amount of time, time frame would be 1:30 – 3:00. Lots of bikes will be parked in Outlaw Square itself. They would self-police and make sure no one else parks there. Discussion. Move to approve by Chief Shafer, second by Mr. Kuchenbecker; motion carried.
- e. **Recommend Free Trolley rides for Kool Deadwood Nites 2025.** \$20,000 paid from BIDs 1-6.: BID 8 pulled out of funding this year so we couldn't ask for the \$25,000 we intended to but we are anticipating the \$20,000. The ridership during this event Wednesday through Sunday last year was about 13,000 people so it was about \$27,000 last year. Ms. Hanson indicated they are asking for Tuesday through Sunday. Mr. Kuchenbecker moved to recommend to the City Commission free trolley rides for Kool Deadwood Nites during the event from Tuesday through Sunday due to the support of BIDs 1 – 6 in the amount of \$20,000, second by Ms. Hanson; motion carried.
- f. **Deadwood Alive: Additional times and routes for livery license(s):** The request is to start doing two evening rides, three days a week. They are looking at Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 6:30 and 7:00 p.m. and they would pick-up and drop-off at the trolley turn around at the Welcome Center. Potentially they would be using a smaller wagon instead of the stagecoach. Discussion. They would probably be parked in that turn around from 6:00 to 8:00 pm near where the chuckwagon parks. It was agreed this shouldn't be an issue. Motion to approve by Ms. Trehwella, second by Mr. Stalder; motion carried. Mr. Kuchenbecker abstained as chair of Deadwood Alive.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

Continued from the last meeting, the concern with the trolley stop at Cadillac Jacks and vehicles entering the highway from the parking lot. The concern was brought up by one of the trolley drivers. It's only an issue for the 2 (ish) minutes that the trolley is stopped. It's an issue all of the time but it's worse during the rally. The bump out there is really a plus for the trolley so we don't want to move the stop.

7. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA:

Mr. Riley indicated a trolley driver asked about assisting pedestrians to cross the 4 lane at Wall and Lee and Deadwood Streets during events because people just walk out into the road. Coverage at those crossings will continue as it has in the past.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business for the committee to consider, Mr. Kuchenbecker moved to adjourn, second by Mr. Stalder; motion carried. **Next meeting is July 10, 2025, at 9:00 am.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Rhonda McGrath, Recording Secretary

**** Audio from the meeting is posted on the "S" drive.