



CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE DOWNTOWN ADVISORY BOARD SPECIAL CALLED MEETING



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Monday, June 26, 2023 – 4:00 PM

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER – Board members present:

Caroline Gunther, Jerry Fitzgerald, Carole Sitzler, Jared Bellmund, John Ryan, Patsy DuPre, Chris Cormier, Matthew Hickman, Mark Pavao. Attending virtually at 4:15pm – Joe Dinan

- Absent: Heang Uy, Phil Wilmot
- Nonvoting Present – Anthony McMinn, Councilwoman Debbie Roundtree
- Also present: Councilman Jerry Smith
- Staff present: Jamie Carpenter, Lew Holloway, Brian Pahle, Sgt. Garrett Gardin, Terry Jacobs

2. SPECIAL CALLED MEETING - Downtown Parking Review – Items discussed:

Remove 30-Minute Zones (ST) - unanimously in favor

ADA Spaces Free (ST) - lengthy discussion regarding paid vs free. There was substantial discussion about how if it were to be free, those spaces would be taken up at length by employees or other longer-term users, making it more difficult for handicap parkers to find ADA accessible spaces. There was further discussion about if the length of time was extended for free spaces for ADA, however the primary issue with ADA spaces has been ease of use – using the kiosks or parkmobile, and customers would still have to use that regardless. - In favor of keeping paid ADA parking – 8, 2 against.

Citation Rates are High (ST) - unanimously in favor of reducing to \$25

More Signage/Kiosks (ST) - unanimously in favor of reviewing as a case by case.

Expand Count on Permit (ST) - unanimously in favor of pursuing to 3 or 4 cars per permit.

Pay by Half-Hour or 15 minutes (ST) - 5 for 15 minutes / 5 for 30 minute increments

Additional discussion regarding marketing and validation codes continued. Jamie has been testing out the use of validation codes with several businesses.

3. ADJOURNMENT