Proposed Summer 2006 Capital Improvement Projects

Marty Rost presented a $250,000 summer work proposal that would include a second “lift” of asphalt on the south half of Lot 20, the creation of a connecting road between Purple permit areas of Lot 20 North and Lot 21 North, and the permanent closure of existing awkward entrances to Lot 20 off of Stadium Road and Warren (extreme northwest corner of Lot 20 only – two other Warren Street entrances to Lot 20 would remain as would two connecting roads between Lot 20 and 21).

Without objection, the PAC agreed to accept the $250,000 plan as presented and include it for public comment in February during the Annual Hearing on Parking Policies, Budget, and Capital Improvement Plans.

Committee members were informed that the electrical box between Lot 20 and 21 would have to be relocated. PAC members were also made aware that existing electrical service to Lots 20, 21, and 22 was so limited that the three heated bus shelters in those lots were adversely affected. Though the heaters in those three lots are now working, more electrical capacity is needed. A plan to ensure uninterrupted electrical service is being developed by Planning & Construction. Costs of the proposed electrical improvements are as yet unknown.

Costs associated with the installation of two CCTV cameras for Lot 22 are being worked on and will be submitted to the PAC during a January meeting.

Proposed Parking Permit Rate Increase

Members then renewed discussion of the need for an increase in parking permit fees. At its November 18th meeting, to allow for more feedback from the various groups represented on the Parking Advisory Committee, the PAC tabled a Rose Marie Ley motion creating a permit fee rate increase model linked to the Consumer Price Index. The tabled motion is back on the floor for discussion as it was specifically tabled “until the next PAC meeting.” The motion states:

RESOLVED, The Parking Advisory Committee, in its effort to create a dependable tool for long term budget planning, agrees, as a matter of policy, that parking permit rates shall be adjusted annually to cover routine inflationary increases. The rate of increase shall be determined using the CPI-U percent change for the full 12 months prior to October 31 of a given year. Special projects requiring rate increases above and beyond the CPI-U percentage change shall be viewed as “temporary” whereby the increase is: 1) not factored in as part of the base permit charge; and 2) it is treated as “time sensitive” with a specific end date when the higher rate drops back down to what it would have otherwise been. [CPI-U (Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers): http://www.bls.gov/cpi/home.htm]

After considerable discussion as to the merits of the proposal and the limited amount of feedback received, particularly from the faculty, it was moved by Marty Rost to “postpone indefinitely” the Ley motion. Rost motion to Postpone Indefinitely passed. [To “Postpone Indefinitely” avoids a direct vote on the question at hand. It is useful in disposing of a motion that cannot be either adopted or expressly rejected without possibly undesirable consequences.]

Faculty Association Representative Lee Cornell moved that the PAC adopt the following 2006-07 parking permit rate increase plan for presentation to the campus community during the February Annual Hearing on Parking Policies, Budget, and Capital Improvement Plans. Motion passed. [The Cornell rate plan is not incremental nor does it cover more than one year.]

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Allowing Lot 16 Gold and McElroy/Crawford Green Zone Permit Holders to Park Throughout the Lot

Without objection, the PAC agreed to present a proposal to the campus community during the Annual Hearing on Parking Policies, Budget and Capital Improvement Plans, which would merge the Gold permit and Green permit areas in Lot 16 allowing McElroy/Crawford Green Zone permit holders to park in what is now considered Gold permit stalls on the east side of Lot 16 near the redwood fence. The proposal would also allow Lot 16 Gold permit holders to park on the southwest curb of Lot 16 where Green only stalls now exist. The need for a special Lot 16 Daytime Green permit would be eliminated as those customers could buy a Lot 16 Gold for the same price and park anywhere in Lot 16. In short, holders of either a Lot 16 Gold permit or a McElroy/Crawford Zone Green permit could park in any stall within the giant parking lot which in the past had been designated exclusively for either Gold or Green permit holders.