PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

March 10, 2015       2:00 PM  206 TAPS

ATTENDEES:
Members: Ray G. Thomas, Jerome Hall, Allan Masters, Roger Fillingim, Cynthia Willming, Raul Sanchez
Ex-Officio Members: Scott Fox, Brad Barber, Matt Williams
Non-members: Ron Fuller, Lionel Dubay, Cory Yeffet, Brock Lilley, Daniel Young, Linda Dixon, Nina Shubert (recording)

CHAIR: Ray Thomas

CALL TO ORDER:
Meeting was called to order by Ray Thomas at 2:01 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
Ray Thomas asked the committee for a review and approval of the minutes from February, 2015 with the following changes:

- Allen Masters’ name be removed as he was not in attendance.

Allen Masters moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Cynthia Willming. The minutes were approved with the recommended change.

TAPS UPDATE
PRESENTING: Ron Fuller
DISCUSSION:
- **Bike Racks Installed** – Installed in locations at the Plaza of the Americas, Engineering building lot, Anderson and Matherly areas, Garage 5 and bus shelter, Walker, Grinter and at Shands. Project was funded in part by Student Traffic Court and installation was assisted by UF Police Department and the Physical Plant Division. It was asked by Cynthia Willming that the old bike racks be donated to other community facilities as well as being recycled.
- **Frazier-Rogers Greenhouse Parking Expansion** – Expanding orange decal parking to add 68 spaces.
- **Murphree Area Parking Changes** – Construction fence has been erected and gated and orange parking have been switched around in the area to accommodate (virtual gated area is at Murphree). Red decal parking remains the same.
- **West Fraternity Drive Improvements** – Parking area across from Law School was in need of repair. Pervious asphalt fillings were used to allow for percolation.
- **Parking Lot Light Demo Project** – almost all garages have been re-lamped. Welcome Center garage is next for installation with LED’s. A demo is set up for the surface lights and the cost of LED lights has significantly reduced, allowing for this installation.
- **Return of Evening Enforcement** – Resumed evening enforcement along with some booting. Parking patrol issued 3 weeks of warning tickets. Enforcement resumed due to departmental and individual complaints regarding parking issues (illegal parking) after-hours.
- **UF Greenway Work** – Constructing now the Archer-to-Hawthorne cut-through on campus. This is a trail containing series of bridges and pathways. Linda Dixon briefly explained plans to the committee. The project is in two phases: 1) West of Gale Lemerand to Hilton and 2) East of Gale Lemerand to Newell Drive and Archer Road. This project is being managed by the Florida Department of Transportation and is federally funded. Trails will be constructed of permeable material and lighting will be installed.

MP00503 – ADDITION OF MODULAR OFFICES WEST OF CANCER GENETICS
PRESENTING: Scott Whiddon, PD&C
DISCUSSION:
Postponed for a future meeting.

ACTION:

SHANDS ASC EXPANSION
PRESENTING: Daniel Young, CHW
DISCUSSION:
Daniel Young presented final design phase of the Shands ASC Expansion project. This building will be located northwest of the Orthopedic and Sports Medicine building. The main facility will be 26,000 sq. ft. and include 8 operating rooms. The children’s surgical center will be 19,000 sq. ft. and include 4 operating rooms. Anticipating adding 174 parking spaces for staff and patients, which includes 10 disability spaces. The design has been changed from the last presentation to reflect emergency access, parking was reduced by two spaces to allow for a chiller unit and there were some changes in pick-up points around the building. This project is consistent with the Campus Master Plan for improvement and will not impact other projects.

The committee discussed concerns with the increase in traffic in the area and the traffic flow with the additional employees and patients. Staggered patient appointment times will assist in aiding traffic flow through the area.

ACTION:
Allan Masters move to accept this phase of the project and the motion was seconded by Jerome Hall. The motion passed.

COMMERCIAL VEHICLE PARKING ON CAMPUS
PRESENTING: Ray Thomas
DISCUSSION:
The committee discussed commercial vehicle parking in the lot across from the Reitz Union and in other areas around campus. Concerns were raised regarding subcontractors taking advantage of policy (permanently marked vehicles) and usurping space from decal holders. There were questions as to where these vehicles could park as service drives fill quickly and cannot always accommodate. Scott Fox gave a brief overview of the commercial vehicle and commercial decal policies.

ACTION:
This item was for discussion only.

OTHER BUSINESS:
PRESENTED BY: Cory Yeffet and Brock Lilley, Student Government
DISCUSSION:
Corey Yeffet and Brock Lilley presented concerns regarding overcrowding at the Southwest Recreation Center facility along with the results from a survey conducted overviewing these concerns. The overcrowding issue begins when parking restrictions are lifted in that area after 3:30 p.m. The thought is that if students have the automatic membership fee then access to this facility should be easier and more available. The committee discussed with the presenters alternative transportation to the facility and parking alternatives at or close to the facility. This discussion included suggested possible solutions:

- Metered parking
- Earlier lifting of restrictions
- Reduction of decal pricing for parking
- Utilization of underutilized roof parking at Garage 11.
ACTION:
This agenda item was discussed. No action as this time.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:
No agenda items were presented for the next meeting

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 3:27 p.m.