PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

April 12, 2016       2:00 PM       206 TAPS

ATTENDEES:
Members:  Ray G. Thomas, Cynthia Brochu, Mark Leeps, Jay Watkins, Craig Hill, Sheri Munn, Allen Masters, Cynthia Willming, Janae Moodie
Ex-Officio Members:  Scott Fox, Carlos Dougnac, Linda Dixon
Non-members:  Ron Fuller, Dennis Griffith, David Lucier, Liz Storn, Nina Shubert (recording)

CHAIR: Ray Thomas

CALL TO ORDER:
Meeting was called to order by Ray Thomas at 2:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
Ray Thomas asked the committee for a review and approval of the minutes from March, 2016. Cynthia Brochu moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Craig Hill. The minutes were approved.

TAPS DEPARTMENT UPDATE
PRESENTING: Ron Fuller
DISCUSSION:
• UF Greenway Completed
• Garage Restoration Currently Underway – Continue minimal impacts through day.
• Replacement of Roof Top Lights Completed
• Repairs to Parking Lots – Will take place over the next couple of months. Repairs to potholes and tree roots to lots at the O’Connell Center, Commuter, Lakeside complex and Surge Drive.
• Expansion of Campus Cab – Two new cabs to be purchased and two new drivers to be hired. Expansion will be effective July 1.

The committee discussed:
• Installation of route planning software – Has been considered, however current available software is for larger fleets of vehicles and is expensive.
• East campus transportation – Concerns will be solved by the additional vans.

REPORT ON DECAL PRICE INCREASE/INTRODUCE DAVID LUCIER
PRESENTING: CRAIG HILL, BUSINESS AFFAIRS
DISCUSSION:
Craig Hill began by introducing David Lucier, Assistant Director at the O’Connell Center. David has been shadowing Mr. Hill.

Mr. Hill discussed the UF Senior Leadership decision not the raise decal prices for the 2016-2017 decal year. This was due to the governor’s reticence to raise students’ fees. The Board could have discussed and chosen to raise prices at the next meeting in July, however that would have created a less than ideal decal pricing and payroll deduction scheme for next year. Prices are expected to increase for the 2017-2018 decal year. In addition the committee discussed the following:
• Bond agencies and Division of Bond Financing – TAPS ability to show the generation of revenue for bond projects.
• Proposed new garage at McCarty and Newell - No delay expected. Bond could be granted by November or December 2016. Ground breaking by January 2017.
ELECTION OF PATAC CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR
PRESENTING: RAY THOMAS
DISCUSSION:
The committee was asked to nominate and elect a chairperson and vice chairperson for 2016-2017. Ray Thomas was nominated to continue as chairperson and Cynthia Brochu was nominated to continue as vice chairperson.

ACTION:
Allen Masters moved to vote for chairperson, seconded by Cynthia Willming. The committee elected Ray Thomas as PATAC chairperson for 2016-2017. Allen Masters moved to vote for vice chairperson and the motion was seconded by Jay Watkins. The committee elected Cynthia Brochu as PATAC vice chairperson for 2016-2017.

UF-603 CAREER RESOURCE CENTER ADDITION
PRESENTING: CYDNEY MCGLOTHLIN
DISCUSSION:
Cydney McGlothlin presented the site selection for the prosed renovation and expansion of the Career Resource Center at the Reitz Union. The project will add 6,500 square feet to the current Center’s area, expanding the offices out to the existing columns. It was asked if the columns were load bearing and they are and for this project they will probably be steel reinforced. The sidewalks and through ways under the Reitz will be reworked through the project. Pedestrian traffic will be maintained. The landscaping will not be reworked. Any trees removed for the steel laydown area will be replanted. Loading dock and parking impact will be minimal through construction and anticipated personnel increase will be 10-12 new positions. Noted that if there are sidewalk closures they will be brief. The hotel desk will remain open and no activities will be displaced. If necessary, there may be a small crane installed for a short period of time. Project is budgeted with CITF money.

ACTION:
A motion to approve the site selection was set by Allen Masters and seconded by Jay Watkins. The motion was approved.

OTHER BUSINESS:
PRESENTED BY: Ray Thomas

The following items were presented to the committee as additional business:

- Board of Trustees Strategic Development Plan – Linda Dixon presented the initiative/goal setting plan for creating, advancing and maintaining the University as a preeminent educational institution. There will be a project website which will be transportation focused and all feedback is encouraged. Discussed were the following:
  - Steering Committee – Faculty Senate Infrastructure Committee.
  - Lack of Variety of Housing – For students and for general public.
• Office of Sustainability – Voluntary initiative for a $1.00 contribution to offset carbon emissions. Can sign up for this via MyUFL.
• Physical Plant Division - Parking Lot at Building 714 – Dennis Griffith presented a proposed 8 space parking lot at the new training facility site. The spaces will be for visitors/staff (2), students (5) and a disability space. As this is a project seeking approval from the committee, Ray Thomas asked that it be presented as an agenda item at a future meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.