PARKING COMMITTEE MEETING
7:30 AM – Thursday, April 10, 2008
City Hall – Conference Room A

NOTE TIME CHANGE

I. CALL TO ORDER:
Chairman Ken Smith called the meeting to order at approximately 7:30 a.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Councilor Ken Smith, Chair
Steve Parkinson, Public Works Director
Captain Fred Hoysradt
Jon Frederick, Parking Manager
Andrew Purgiel, City Auditor

III. ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES:

MOTION made by Jon Frederick to accept the minutes of the April 10, 2008 meeting. Seconded by Andrew Purgiel. Motion passed.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

(A) Bentley Motor Co. – Request to rent spaces in front of Rusty Hammer (Letter dated April 21, 2008 attached) – City Manager referred to the letter requesting us to allow Bentley Motor Cars on Tuesday, July 1st and Thursday, July 3rd to park in the 10 parking spaces in front of the Rusty Hammer. The City Manager is not in favor of this, typically we don’t do this.

MOTION made by the City Manager to ask them if we could work with them on another location and not authorize to park in front of the Rusty Hammer. Seconded by Steve Parkinson. Motion passed.
The City Manager asked Jon Frederick to call Mr. Chapman indicating we will work with him on another spot.

(B) Rock Street – Request for Residential Parking Only (Letter dated April 15, 2008 attached) – Jon Frederick referred to a letter addressed to Debbie Finnigan from a resident who would like Rock St. to be residential parking only. Mr. Frederick recommended tabling until the residential parking program has been ironed out and are compiling a list of streets that have requested residential parking only.

The Chair suggested that Jon Frederick write a letter we are working on this and that resident parking only means residents of the City, not just someone from that street.
MOTION made by Andrew Purgiel to table until the Residential Parking Program is finalized and to write a letter to the Rock St. resident. Seconded by Jon Frederick. Motion passed.

(C) 21 Daniel Street – Request for driveway access and elimination of two parking spaces (Letter dated April 14, 2008 with attachments attached) – Steve Parkinson stated it is on the Agenda for the Traffic & Safety Committee meeting today. We looked at this and there was no concern on safety from the Committee. There are two 15 minute parking spaces, the loading zone is heavily utilized. The City Manager suggested speaking with the other businesses in the area and advise them. The City Manager suggested net loss of one space.

MOTION made by City Manager to try to create a net loss of one space. Seconded by Jon Frederick. Motion passed.

V. OLD BUSINESS:

(A) Residential Parking Program – FOSE Proposal – Jon Frederick presented the Committee members with a draft proposal to be presented to FOSE and went through the proposal and recommended 76% of the households sign a petition. It was decided that it should be 90%. The proposal needs to be approved by the City Council via the Parking Committee.

The City Manager stated we need to have control over this as the Police Department have problems enforcing. The City Manager suggested getting a list of all the areas asking for resident parking. This Committee hold an evening public hearing and have a public hearing session bringing in FOSE and the other areas. There are consequences going with residential parking, you give up a lot of rights. If you have a residential pass, there is no guarantee there will be a space to park.

Currently Hanover and Pearl Streets have residential parking.

The City Manager suggested putting a pros and cons sheet together

Jon Frederick will bring something back at the next meeting and will speak with the Legal Department. Parking Committee must approve prior to presentation to FOSE/

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted
Elaine E. Boucas, Secretary