



City of Ann Arbor

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Meeting Minutes Public Market Advisory Commission

Thursday, June 26, 2014

5:30 PM

301 E. Huron St., 2nd Fl. Council Chambers

A CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 5:40pm.

B ROLL CALL

Present: 3 - David Santacroce, Karlene Goetz, and Peter Woolf

Absent: 2 - Aimee Germain, and Jillian Lada

C APPROVAL OF AGENDA

D FIRST PUBLIC COMMENTARY (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY) - (3 Minutes per Speaker)

E APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

14-0950 Public Market Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes of May 15, 2014

Approved by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council due back on 8/4/2014

F PRESENTATIONS

G REGULAR BUSINESS (AGENDA ITEMS)

14-0951 Detroit Street Parking Data May 2014

Parking collection data summaries were presented for review by the commission.

Market Manager Sarah DeWitt noted that in addition to the cars parked in official spaces along Detroit Street on Saturdays, many customers seem to use the opposite side of Detroit Street (across from the parking spaces) as an informal loading zone or space to wait for a parking space to become available. No handicap spaces are currently located along Detroit Street.

Commissioners discussed ongoing need for education regarding available parking in the area close to the market. Further discussion will be had with city staff at the Downtown Development Authority to identify potential strategies for this outreach.

Commission Goetz expressed vendor concern for the potential closing of Detroit Street.

Commissioner Santacroce emphasized the need to alleviate congestion (car and pedestrian) on 4th Avenue where market vendors often set up during busy market days. Detroit Street closure is viewed as a way to alleviate that congestion.

Commissioners discussed the need for loading zones for customers to pick up items and drop off family members at market entrances.

Market Manager Sarah DeWitt will report to the commission on next steps after speaking with city staff and the Downtown Development Authority.

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Priorities among customers and vendors highlight need for extension of more formal stalls down the middle aisleway of the market. Commissioners would like to explore options for the construction of a building to accommodate vendors year-round in addition to potential community space on a second level of said building.

Market Manager DeWitt to return to the commission with further input and recommended next steps from city staff.

H NEW BUSINESS (NON-AGENDA ITEMS)

I REPORTS

14-1043 June 2014 Market Manager Report

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J SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT (NOT LIMITED TO AGENDA ITEMS)

L ADJOURNMENT