

**PARKING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER
MINUTES**

For the Special Board Meeting held

September 27th, 2010

The Parking Authority of the City of Lancaster held a Special Board meeting on September 27th, 2009 in the Authority Office at 111 North Prince Street, Lancaster, PA.

Members present were: Mark Vergenes, Chairman; Deno Mandros, Vice President; Cindy Stewart, Secretary; Brian Reynolds, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer.

Also present were: Thomas Matthews, Executive Director; Mary Dougherty, Financial Manager; Kyle Ressler, Accounts Payables; Bernard Harris, Lancaster Newspapers; Randall Carney, Citizen of Lancaster City.

Absent were: Lisa Riggs, Treasurer; Grant Hummer, ELA Group, Inc.

The Lancaster Parking Authority Board Meeting was called to order at 5:05 PM. by Chairman, Mark Vergenes.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the meeting was to discuss and develop a recommendation regarding meter enforcement on Saturdays.

Public Comments

- Mr. Carney agreed with the board's recommendation and shared his own struggles with Saturday on street meter parking .

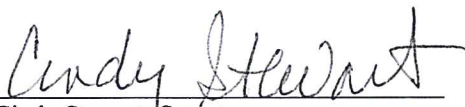
Board Discussion

- Mr. Vergenes informed the board that the mayor has asked the LPA to present a recommendation whether to enforce parking meters on Saturdays or not. Originally when the meters were installed, enforcement was taken on Saturdays, though in 1998, prior Mayor, Charlie Smithgall, had stopped enforcement on Saturdays in hopes to increase patronage downtown. This was done without change to the city ordinance, which still states that meters are to be enforced on Saturdays. The LPA board discussed the matter and has decided to support enforcing the meters on Saturdays. On a budget standpoint, the LPA will benefit from enforcement. While upgrading all of the garages and creating new standards for the Authority, the increased revenue will advance the projects along. Looking at the city as a whole, downtown businesses are perceived to see a positive impact as well. Meters are intended for short term parking and are meant to see turn over, which is why meters have 2 hour time limits. Over time, residents as well as patrons have realized that they can have their car parked at a single spot for the entire weekend without moving which in turn makes it more difficult for a quick venture in town to be achieved.

Motion:

- A motion was made to recommend reestablishing Saturday enforcement of the meters using the DID outline as the enforcement area. Inside the DID would be enforced, while all meters outside being free of charge on Saturdays, as well as amending the ordinance to reflect the same, being implemented March, 2011 or later. Motion by Mr. Mandros and seconded by Mr. Reynolds. The motion was approved by all board members present.
- A motion was made at 5:40 pm to adjourn by Ms. Stewart and seconded by Mr. Mandros. The motion was approved by all board members present.

Respectfully submitted,


Cindy Stewart, Secretary