

Neighbors of Belknap Lookout Mobility Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday January 31, 2018

Committee Members Present: Elianna Bootzin Tom Bulten Larry Credit
 Colin Cronin (DTN) Barbara LaBeau Pat Waring (GVSU)

Committee Members Absent: Brian Bremer Andy Guy Lisa Haynes (GVSU)
 Bill Hebert Rob Kennedy Mark Kidd (RJM)
 Todd Leinberger Jason Vos (RJM)

1. Introductions – Those present introduced themselves, including additional DTN representatives Dave Ferszt and Tom K.
2. Residential Permit Parking Overview – Elianna reviewed the text: Residents may be issued one permit per licensed driver, per household. (Max 4, \$15 per 6 mo.) They may also acquire up to 30 guest permits every 6 months, 5 in advance, costing \$2 each. Commuters can only buy one permit per qualified applicant, for \$4 for a day or \$75 for a month. Exception: Delivery, service, or emergency vehicles parked in residential parking zones while making short-term (defined as <20 minutes) service calls to residential dwellings within the zone do not require a guest permit.
3. RPP Expansion Process – Elianna reviewed the text: Overall, in the new expansion process, MobileGR does most of the work. We have a map (below) from them on which to draw an “area of concern”. They’ll evaluate and administer the vote from neighbors sometime this summer (>50% approval takes it to the MobileGR board and then the City Commission). Implementation takes effect November 1. When we submit our area of concern, we are also supposed to answer several questions regarding when, where, and why the program is needed.
4. How to gather information – We shared personal observations and Elianna will plan to collect additional comments via NextDoor and in person as proposed. We noted that it may be necessary to add evenings to the existing zone; we are not sure how to appropriately wrap around the park since it should likely be available to the public; we will probably need to expand to the 700 and 800 blocks of Livingston and Coit as well as Newberry between Livingston and Coit. We wondered if it would be possible to add 2 sided parking more places, and decided we should share Angel’s data with our submission. We also think there is a need for a 4 way stop at Coit and Hastings. Earlier comments included asking why it’s not possible to park right in front of one’s house, wondering how to provide longer exemptions for home health service workers, better accommodating the needs of the school parents and if it is possible to allow temporary loading for residents who don’t have permits.
5. Adjourn – As we prepared to adjourn, Pat shared that 333 Michigan construction will start in October, 500 Lafayette will be dedicated in July, the Michigan parking ramp would go to the GVSU board Friday, and the bus turnaround will be in place by 2020-2021. Pat clarified the previously expected meeting space will be occupied by GRAAHI though classrooms should still be available for local use. Elianna mentioned the bike share feasibility study and that NOBL allocated \$4000 of the GVSU PILOT funds for mobility. Bike rack placement came up, and Tom plugged active commute week (June 11).