

MEETING SUMMARY
12TH AVENUE PARKING WORKGROUP
MEETING NOTES
JUNE 9, 2004
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM
GINGER LIME RESTAURANT, 732 12TH AVENUE

ATTENDEES

Jim Carey, resident	Sonja Richter, Crime Prevention
Paul Jeney, resident	Coordinator
Mark Melnyk, resident	Randy Wiger, Seattle Department of
Anna Nguyen, owner, Ginger Lime Restaurant	Transportation (SDOT)
Jerry Pederson, Seattle University	Notes taken by Randy Wiger, SDOT

ACTION ITEMS

- SDOT staff (Randy) will communicate to Parking Enforcement of the need for increased enforcement when paid parking is installed on 12th Avenue. SDOT will also communicate to the E. Precinct Captain information about the installation of paid parking on 12th Avenue.
- SDOT staff (Randy) will investigate the option of converting the load zone in front of Ginger Lime Restaurant (732 12th Avenue) to a truck-only load zone, and will provide the business owner with information on “How to License Your Vehicle as a Truck.”
- SDOT staff (Randy) will investigate the idea of staggering which side of the 17th Avenue parking is on between E. Cherry St. and E. Union St. and report back to the workgroup on it’s feasibility.

PAID PARKING ON 12TH AVENUE

Jerry said that there really aren’t any 1-hour classes at Seattle University (S.U.). Therefore, installing paid parking with a 2-hour time limit on 12th Avenue should discourage student parking there during meter hours (Mon – Sat, 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.).

With the rates for paid parking being \$1.50 per hour, this becomes slightly more expensive than the S.U. garage rates of \$5.00 per 4 hours. Bill and Jerry wondered what opportunities there may be to inform students of the better deal of using the S.U. garage over paying the on-street rate (once the paid parking has been installed).

Jim and Sonja asked that Parking Enforcement (PEO) be increased when the paid parking is installed, and suggested also bringing the installation of paid parking on 12th Avenue directly to the attention of East Precinct Captain Meehan.

LOAD ZONES

Anna noted that customers of the nearby Starbucks tend use the load zone in front of her store when getting coffee, and tie up the load zone for delivery trucks. Randy will check to determine if it is a truck-only load zone. If not, he will follow up with Anna about converting it to a truck-only load zone. Otherwise, the best option is to wait for paid parking to be installed and then convert it to a commercial vehicle load zone. Randy will provide Anna information on "How to License Your Vehicle as a Truck."

17TH AVENUE PARKING

Sonja commented that on the 17th Avenue between E. Cherry St. and E. Union St. there is parking only on one side of the street, and that the side of the street where parking is located is the same from block to block. She wondered if it would be possible to stagger which side of the street has parking from block to block to create a traffic calming effect. Randy will investigate this idea and report back to the workgroup on it's feasibility.

OTHER ITEMS

Randy provided and updated Matrix and said that many of the items which had a status of "in progress" were soon to be implemented. He had expected many of them to have been implemented when construction on 12th Avenue was completed in late April/early May.

Jerry announced that he will be retiring, and Michael Sletten will take his place as S.U. representative to this workgroup. Everybody expressed appreciation for his participation over the past couple of year, and wished him well.

Randy has checked on the load zone in front of Mother's Place 1118 12th Avenue) and determined that it is a generic 30-minute load zone and that it should stay.

S.U. has sent an e-mail in support of installing 2-hour restrictions adjacent to their property on the north side of E. James Court (b/t 12th Ave & 13th Ave). Randy has forwarded that request to appropriate SDOT staff along with a request to install 2-hour restrictions on the west end of the south side of this block of E. James Court adjacent to city-owned property.

Randy has conveyed the perceptions about PEO behavior (not enforcing on the East-West streets, only on the North-South streets) to the PEO manager.

NEXT MEETING

The workgroup is meeting on an "as needed" basis, and will check in on the possibility of a meeting on August 4, 2004.

MEETING ADJOURNED