

Transportation Solutions

Parking/Transit

Meeting Monday, October 20, 2008 12:00 p.m.

Present: Mike DeGroff, Joe Cashen, Suzie Spiro, Tracy Barnett, Towny Anderson, Philo Shelton, Jonathan Flints, Marion Ayer, Max Damore, Shane Jacobs, Jay Belyca

Mike opened the meeting saying that Monday may not work for the meetings in the future. There may also be a need to look at various pods as it relates to parking and transit. Joe has volunteered to work on the downtown pods and Mike would continue to work on the Central Park and Mountain areas.

Decisions:

Location and meeting time/date - Sandy will look into First National Bank of the Rockies or First National Bank, at 3:00 p.m. November 10

Divide into two focused subgroups: Downtown and Mountain?

Downtown parking: Towny spoke about the meeting last week, which included street scape design that Philo is working on and parking management and shuttle management. Downtown developers could provide money to Steamboat Transit rather than private shuttle system. Number one challenge in short term is downtown parking.

Short Term Shuttle Management: Philo is working with Britina on the Alley Drop Off - blocked off area on alley with signage for people to wait and for shuttles to stop. Need to create lighting and signage at alley corners, eventually benches, shelters and phones would be good. Best to identify side streets with traffic lights, need to get all the shuttle operators together to determine the best places to stop. This would be 10 stops with signage - Also need to let all the retail and restaurant people know to let guests know where to pick up shuttles. Steamboat Resorts has its own schedule. Joe will contact the Resort Group, ResortQuest and Steamboat Resorts next week to get together to do a downtown walkthrough to determine exact location of signage (Shuttle). Group will also look at colors. Then let Philo know to create the signage, Suzie goes to council, create the messaging and Suzie to take to properties. Goal is to be ready for use by December 15.

Suzie said she would talk to all small property managers about a new shuttle pickup and drop off plan, where the stops are and where possible staging might take place. Philo said that he didn't need to take this specifically to council but could include it in the streetscape plan. Suzie would also be willing to do public comment to let council know that this is happening. Joe mentioned that this would require a PR component once the locations are determined.

Next Meeting: The streetscape design would use the parking more efficiently. Towny suggested looking at paid parking, employee parking, etc. – these recommendations need to come from the Transportation Solutions group. At our next full meeting Towny and Philo will bring options for parking management.

Mountain Parking: Suzie mentioned that biggest frustration for guests is getting to the mountain. Mike said that with construction there will be impacts and until One Steamboat Place is completed, that will not change. There will be drop off with One Steamboat Place when completed.