

**Transportation Solutions
Parking/Transit Working Group
December 15, 2008**

I. Present: Mike DeGroff, Tracy Barnett, Greg Schultz, Towny Anderson, Jonathan Flint, Joe Cashen, Suzie Spiro, Tracey Rogalski, Jayson Belyea, Philo Shelton

Staff: Marion Ayer, Meagan Coates

II. Follow-up for Downtown Shuttle Stop/Signage

Most shuttle drivers are utilizing the stops. Signs are single sided and difficult to see from certain directions, but are installed. Lodging properties will be notified about the stops via a letter that will be sent this week (Joe, Mike, Towny, Meagan). Joe will contact The Pilot to write an article about the new system. Each property is responsible for educating their drivers and guests about the stops. Each stop will have a window box listing the properties that utilize that stop. The police will begin a 2-week warning period for the Lincoln Avenue ordinance. Suzie will present the new shuttle stop system to City Council tomorrow.

III. Open House Presentation Format

3 recommendations will be presented in February at an Open House including funding mechanism, studies utilized, and timeline.

IV. Next Steps/Long Term Solutions

Parking report by Todd Litman describes parking management strategies. There are approximately 24 strategies listed in the report. The City of Steamboat Springs only collects payment on 50% of parking tickets issued. The boot is a difficult option because of the lack of ability to notify people and the ordinance requires full payment before the car is released.

Parking Problems/Solutions:

- Convenience factor: Educate locals and visitors
- Only ½ of parking tickets issued are paid: Collection agency, City is facing this decision soon and support of the committee will be required
- Employee parking (# of parking spaces needed): Incentives for bus/bike/walk to work or alter downtown parking locations/zones, educate employees, extend hours or sell permits for infrequently utilized zones (10th Street, 6th Street), count spaces within zones
- New development should have ample parking: fees should be set-aside for a future parking solution project instead of put into the general fund
- Construction parking: works with Planning Department on defining permit requirements; define metrics

Next Meeting: January 12th at 3pm at FNBR

Full Group: January 8th at 3pm at the Smokehouse