



City of Duluth

411 West First Street
Duluth, Minnesota 55802

Minutes

Parking Commission.

Friday, July 10, 2026

7:30 AM

Council Chambers, 3rd Floor, City Hall

ROLL CALL

Members Present

- Jordon Johnson
- Mike Mayou
- Andrew Paszak
- Branden Robinson, President
- Robert Woods
- Mark Bauer, Ex Officio

Members Absent

- Antonio Davis
- Brandon Van Tassel, Vice President

Guests Present

- Hadrian DeMaoribus, Events and Outreach Committee Chair – Vibrant Streets Duluth
- Isaiah Helmin, Assistant Duluth Area Manager – Interstate Parking Company
- John Ramos, Investigative Reporter – Duluth Monitor

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

City of Duluth Parking Services Manager Mark Bauer presented the June 2026 Duluth Parking Commission meeting minutes for approval. Commissioner Robert Woods motioned that the minutes be approved. Commissioner Andrew Paszak seconded the motion, which was approved 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Vibrant Streets Duluth Events and Outreach Committee Chair Hadrian DeMaoribus read a statement in support of the 4th Street Redevelopment Plan proposed by City of Duluth Senior Engineer Alex Popp in the June 2026 Parking Commission meeting.

ON-STREET ACCESSIBLE PARKING ZONE REQUESTS

Mr. Bauer presented two on-street accessible parking zone requests. He stated that he had researched both requests, performed site visits, and consulted with the City Commission on Disabilities. He stated that he recommended approval of both requests. Commissioner Woods motioned that the proposal for 6209 Raleigh Street be approved. Commissioner Mike Mayou seconded the motion, which was approved 5-0. Commissioner Paszak motioned that the request for 5818 Elinor Street be approved. Commissioner Woods seconded the motion, which was

approved 5-0.

OFF-STREET PARKING UPDATE

Mr. Bauer stated that planning was still in progress regarding annual parking facility structural maintenance. He stated that the Library/Depot facility had developed at least two significant leaks and that repairs were in progress. Interstate Parking Company Assistant Duluth Area Manager Isaiah Helmin provided an update on off-street parking operations. He stated that the recent Sidewalk Days event had generated strong off-street parking usage. He noted an increase in vandalism incidents at certain locations and described the operational adjustments to address this. Mr. Bauer stated that he would provide an updated report in the following meeting regarding security incidents and calls for service at the facilities.

ON-STREET PARKING UPDATE

Mr. Bauer provided an update on on-street parking. He stated that there had been a large amount of vandalism of City parking signage and that plans were in progress to replace the signage with more robust versions of it. Commissioner Jordon Johnson inquired into the on-street time limits and whether they could be lengthened. Mr. Bauer stated that the limits had been lengthened from 80 to 90 minutes in most areas in early 2026 to align with the implemented rate structure. He stated that he did not recommend lengthening the limits further, noting that the City's overarching goal was to better encourage off-street parking usage for stays longer than 90 minutes. Mr. Bauer stated that on-street parking was primarily meant for shorter stays and for those with accessibility challenges. Commissioner Woods noted that the on-street Park Duluth application would "lock out" payments beyond the time limit for vehicles moving locations within each zone. Mr. Bauer stated that the lockout period was designed to prevent time limit abuse but reasonably allow for such relocations. Commission President Branden Robinson inquired whether zone boundaries could be changed. Mr. Bauer stated that this was, indeed, possible.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FOLLOW-UP

There were no additional public comments.