



# City of Duluth

411 West First Street  
Duluth, Minnesota 55802

## Minutes

### Parking Commission.

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Friday, March 5, 2021

7:30 AM

Council Chambers, 3rd Floor, City Hall

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NOTICE: The Duluth Parking Commission will be holding its March 2021 meeting by other electronic means pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 13D.021 in response to the COVID-19 emergency. Some members of the Commission will be participating through video conference. Due to the COVID-19 emergency and the closure of City facilities, public comment will not be taken in person. However, members of the public can monitor the meeting and provide public comment on agenda items through WebEx Events. Visit <https://duluthmn.gov/live-meeting> to access the meeting. The public is also encouraged to submit written comment to Parking Services Manager Mark Bauer at [mbauer@duluthmn.gov](mailto:mbauer@duluthmn.gov) prior to the meeting. Please include "Duluth Parking Commission March 2021 Agenda" in the subject line, and include your name and address and the agenda item you are speaking to. Please note that all public comment is considered Public Data.

### ROLL CALL

#### Members Present

- Dennis Jensen
- Linda Krug
- Noland Makowsky
- Jessica Sterle, President
- Mark Bauer, Ex Officio

#### Members Absent

- Karin Swor
- Terese Tomanek
- Em Westerlund

#### Guests Present

- Jeff Aanenson, Duluth Operations Manager – Interstate Parking Company
- Carl Crawford, Human Rights Officer – City of Duluth
- John Ramos, Investigative Reporter – Duluth Monitor

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#### Approval of February 2021 meeting minutes

Commissioner Dennis Jensen motioned that the February 2021 parking commission meeting minutes be approved as presented. Commission Vice President Noland Makowsky seconded the motion, which was approved 4-0.

### ON-STREET ADA ACCESSIBLE PARKING ZONE REQUESTS

#### On-street accessible parking requests

City of Duluth Parking Services Manager Mark Bauer presented three on-street ADA accessible parking zone requests. He stated that the requests had been reviewed and the sites visited, and he noted that the parking division

recommended approval of all three. Commissioner Makowsky motioned that the request for 228 North 61st Avenue West be approved. Commissioner Linda Krug seconded the motion, which was approved 4-0. Commissioner Krug motioned that the request for 2802 Wicklow Street be approved. Commissioner Jensen seconded the motion, was approved 4-0. Commissioner Krug motioned that the request for 726 East 4th Street be approved. Commissioner Makowsky seconded the motion, which was approved 4-0.

## **EAST 2ND STREET ON-STREET PARKING CONFIGURATION PROPOSAL**

### **East 2nd Street on-street parking configuration proposal**

Mr. Bauer stated that since this item had previously been reviewed and approved by the parking commission and that the final parking configuration the parking division had recently received from the City's engineering division substantially conformed to that configuration, so no further approval was needed.

## **ANNUAL ELECTION OF COMMISSION OFFICERS**

### **Annual election of parking commission officers**

Commissioner Krug motioned that commission President Jessica Sterle be elected to a second term. Commissioner Makowsky seconded the motion, which was approved 4-0. Commissioner Sterle motioned that Commissioner Makowsky be elected to a second term as Vice President. Commissioner Krug seconded the motion, which was approved 4-0. Mr. Bauer stated that this would be the final meeting for Commissioners Jensen and Karin Swor, and he and the commission thanked them for their service.

## **OFF-STREET PARKING UPDATE**

### **Off-street parking update**

Mr. Bauer provided a brief update on the progress of the new Medical District-area parking facility design, which was nearing completion. Commissioner Jensen inquired into the status of any potential redevelopment of the closed US Bank parking facility. Mr. Bauer and Interstate Parking Company Duluth Area Manager Jeff Aanenson both stated that they were not aware of any impending plans.

## **ON-STREET PARKING UPDATE**

### **On-street parking update**

Mr. Bauer provided an update on on-street parking operations. He stated that on-street parking enforcement during the ongoing winter season was proceeding smoothly but that this was aided by a relatively mild winter so far. Mr. Aanenson stated that follow-up work was being performed on several on-street parking payment kiosks to make them operational. Commissioner Sterle inquired whether there would be any mass removal of parking meters in relation to the upcoming redevelopment of the Voyageur Lakewalk Inn site on Superior Street. Mr. Bauer stated that there were no plans for such a removal at present but that the parking division and Interstate would coordinate as needed as the project progressed. Commissioner Krug provided further information on the project and

the projected timelines. She stated that she was hopeful that adequate signage denoting parking regulations would be included in the project.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Public comments

There were no additional public comments.

### **ADJOURNMENT**