Transportation and Parking Committee Meeting  
November 11, 2015  
Newcomb Hall Room 376

Present: Rebecca White, Julia Monteith, Marge Sidebottom, MaryAnn Himes, Patricia Romer, Emma Troller, Jess Wenger, Austin Palmore, Mark Stanis, Scott Barker

Absent: Nicole Eramo, Angela Tabler, Dr. Mary Lee Vance, Lara Jacobson

Guests: Minnette Stroud

Proceedings  
Meeting was called to order at 3:36pm by Rebecca White.

Lee Street Bus Stop Closure  
• Due to the University Hospital Expansion project, the UTS routes serving the Hospital are detouring away from the Lee Street Bus Stop from November 8, 2015 through June 2016.
• The project management team has been communicating with the Health System community through emails, town halls, and employee council meetings.
• P&T has followed up on those general communications with specific communications to bus passengers.
• The detour will be monitored for possible adjustments.

Pay by Cell pending  
• Soft launch of an option to pay for metered parking with a cell phone app is expected over Christmas holiday.

Emmet Street Study  
• The 1000’ segment of Emmet Street from the Central Grounds garage bus stop to the Ruffner Bridge is being looked out. Issues include:
  o ADA access
  o Pedestrian/car/bike conflicts
  o Bus stop placement
  o Turning movements
  o Final report is pending, but preliminary results show unprecedented pedestrian compliance with the cross walk across Emmet Street (1,499 out of 1,500) which suggests the crosswalk should remain where it is.

Hospital Parking Demand Study  
  o A consultant has been retained to review existing and future parking demand for patients and employees at the health system. Preliminary results are expected in February.

After-Hours Transportation/Saferide  
• EVP Pat Hogan has asked that P&T and UPD work together to shift operational responsibility of Saferide to P&T.
Several students are assisting P&T with shaping after-hours transportation. Four meetings are scheduled between now and March 2016.

The T&P committee provided several suggestions for engaging students including asking what need is after hours transportation filling for students? What are the expectations regarding response time, student conduct, performance measures, etc.

Implementation time line is June 1, 2016. Rebranding of the service is possible.

ODU and VCU’s Saferide ridership has doubled or tripled in their first year of operation.

Moped Working Group
- Trish Romer reported that a work group is being formed from membership of the General Safety and Security Committee and T&P. Suggested discussion points include:
  - Outline:
    - Trouble spots with pedestrians
    - How to educate rides
    - Enforcement
    - Long term storage options
    - DMV rules
    - UPD protocols
    - Data review including number of permits and citations
    - ADA concerns
    - Removal of license plates
    - Engaging riders to identify issues
    - Identify safer parking rules

Service Parking Working Group
- Working group is meeting to discuss available data and potentially meeting the intended need in alternative ways.
- The T&P committee suggests discussing what tools and approaches are available, what pricing strategies could impact the system and how enforcement could become more effective.

Meeting Schedule (all meeting in 376 Newcomb at 3:30PM)
- December 9, 2015
- January 13, 2016
- February 10, 2016 (Tentative “student issues”)
- March 16, 2016
- April 21, 2016 (Joint meeting with Safety and Security)
- May 11, 2016