



CITY of BRISBANE

Complete Streets Safety Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 1, 2023, at 6:30 P.M. Hybrid Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Tainter called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Cabrera, Dettmer, Strecker, Tainter, Wodziak

Staff: Kinser (Deputy Director of Public Works), Santoyo (Assistant Engineer)

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was modified to include a brief update on the amended Brown Act, and subsequently adopted.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A. January 9th, 2022 meeting minutes approved

PRESENTATION - Review of the Brown Act Provisions

City Clerk Ingrid Padilla reads through a document explaining the City's understanding of the new AB 2449 provisions (Brown Act). This document will be included with the meeting minutes for clarity. Committee members proceed to ask follow-up questions pertaining to different situations.

OLD BUSINESS

B. Investigation of Residential Parking Permit Program for Central Brisbane

The committee proceeds by reviewing the parking permit program recommendation draft relative to the discussions of the past few months. Tainter suggests that the committee goes through the draft line by line to ensure all agree with the content.

The first point of discussion is the "community goal" of this agenda report. The goals for the CSSC's report are community building and safe community. Dettmer asks how these goals relate to the recommendation being made by the committee. Santoyo explains that given the unique nature of Brisbane and the impact this recommendation would have on the community, that this goal seemed the most fitting out of the five. He ultimately agrees it's a loose interpretation, however. Tainter points out that the goals list "Community Building" as the first goal and "Safe Community" as the second goal and requests that they be flipped. Staff and committee members agree to flip the order.

The committee moves on to the purpose statement. Wodziak believe the statement is well-written. Cabrera suggests mentioning that the recommendation from the committee will not only

address parking scarcity, but also add an element of organization to parking in Brisbane. Staff agrees.

The next item in the report is the recommendation statement. The recommendation is straightforward, but Tainter asks an important question: while the committee was directed to make a recommendation for a parking permit program, is the committee in support of a program at all? Tainter wonders that if the committee doesn't support the program fully, then that should be expressed. Kinser states that an additional line could be added clarifying Council's direction, and Cabrera supports this. Dettmer recalls a recommendation in the early stages of the CSSC's parking program discussions. . and that clarification is not necessary. Kinser adds that more detail and clarification can be added verbally at the Council meeting, rather than including them in the report. The committee is welcome to attend the council meeting as well to provide any additional committee input.

The review of the agenda report continues with the background section. The committee takes no exception with this portion of the report.

In the discussion section, the committee discusses the bullet point describing guest parking in the proposed program. Dettmer asks about residents who don't require a parking permit but would still require guest permits. Staff agrees this is a good point and agrees to add a line clarifying that those without a parking permit could still obtain guest permits.

The hours of enforcement are examined. The hours of enforcement are 10PM-7AM, Sunday through Thursday, excluding national holidays. Dettmer wonders specifically what national holidays means. Staff agrees to investigate this. Cabrera mentions that other cities typically exclude Sunday from enforcement. Tainter explains that this decision was made with weekend guests visiting Brisbane in mind. Strecker mentions that additionally, having weekend enforcement would be significantly more expensive, and this was a factor in the decision process. Cabrera feels that allowing visitors to park in Brisbane on weekend would create a lack of parking. Tainter responds that this won't make the current situation any worse. Cabrera reiterates his concern that parking space in front of his home during weekend events may be affected. Dettmer asks how Cabrera has been navigating parking during weekend events in the meantime. As discussions conclude, the committee has ultimately reached a consensus on this item. Tainter does mention that perhaps some sort of event parking should be considered in the future. Kinser replies that rather than include such a point in the report, to mention this to council when presenting the report.

Wodziak points out the wording the agenda report recommendation section. He poses the question if in fact the committee is recommending this program. Tainter agrees a vote is in order, and therefore the committee agrees to add a vote to next meeting's agenda, and to postpone presenting to council until after the March committee meeting.

Cabrera mentions designating event parking once more for weekend events. He asks if we could somehow let visitors know where to park. Tainter suggests adding parking instructions to any event flier, so visitors are aware.

The final point is a reduced fee for low-income residents. All agree. Tainter then mentions that he does not see the Visitation discussion included, nor the "first-year free" point. Staff agrees to

include these points in the discussion section. Dettmer asks about permits for businesses, and Cabrera agrees that this will need to be addressed. All agree that they see this as a “living document” and changes will most likely be made as the program unfolds.

The final item is the fiscal impact. In the interest of time the committee agrees not review line by line. Cabrera asks about the first 2 permits being free. Santoyo replies that the fiscal impact portion states that the first year of the program would be free of charge. Tainter asks what will happen to the cost per permit if the number of permits issued is lower than anticipated. Kinser replies that it is quite difficult to anticipate every situation but given the costs we sure of, staff is confident in this estimate.

Cabrera asks about adding a sticker to vehicles in addition to the license plate reader. Kinser states that the price that was quoted was only for one type of permit and reflects on a discussion with Commander Garcia about the civil rights concern with marking a vehicle. Cabrera reiterates his desire to have physical permits so the public can report cars without permits. Tainter states that the goal is not to create a system where residents are regularly calling in on other cars.

Tainter suggests that the committee defers discussion of the 2022 work plan for the time being.

NEW BUSINESS

None

STAFF UPDATES

C. None

CHAIR AND COMMITTEE MEMBER MATTERS

Wodziak talks about his participation in the Sierra Point Park Planning committee and mentions that they have begun outreach efforts to receive public feedback on 3 proposed ideas. Wodziak states that there may be a second meeting onsite soon and he will provide updates.

Tainter asks about traffic implications because of development. Wodziak states this seems out of scope, and least now. Dettmer feels this should definitely be considered going forward. Wodziak states perhaps it'll come up later, but at the moment it seems to be centered on brainstorming ideas. Cabrera asks about the bike route that was considered from Sierra Point and travelling along the lagoon. Santoyo recalls this project as part of the Bike/Ped Master Plan, but states it is not being considered with the ongoing discussion on Sierra Point at this time.

Wodziak states that he can forward the committee's agendas to keep the CSSC in the loop. Kinser states that for new housing developments, issues like parking are required by law to be considered and will certainly be considered here.

Tainter asks about some traffic counters on Bayshore Boulevard. Staff is also not sure, but Kinser wonders if it might be data being obtained for potential future developments by the quarry.

NEXT MEETING

March 1, 2023, 6:30 PM

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Tainter adjourned the meeting at 8:30 PM.