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AGENDA
Parking Solutions Task Force
January 27, 2022
3:30pm
Via zoom

Regular Business

1. Public Comments
2. Minutes from 12/16/21
3. Rodick Streetscape Modifications (recent Council directive)
4. Island Explorer - Bicycle Loading lot and improvements to the site
5. Comprehensive review of parking near curb cuts (specifically one near Atlantic Ave)
6. Shared Use Path Lighting
7. Use of parking funds in the FY23 budget – I'd like to get recommendations and feedback from this group.
8. Requesting some funding from current fiscal year for developing a Multi-modal Transportation Infrastructure Map (parking, bike, bus, etc)

Join Zoom Meeting

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MEMO

To: Chief James Willis

From: Sgt. Christopher Wharff

RE: Atlantic Avenue Intersection Sight Lines and congestion

Date: 10/11/2021

During the last Parking Solutions Task Force meeting several residents from Atlantic Avenue presented an issue relating to congestion and limited visibility at the intersection of Main Street and Atlantic Avenue in Bar Harbor. The residents expressed difficulty when attempting to enter traffic on Main Street from Atlantic Avenue due to obstructed visibility cause by parked vehicles on Main Street, on either side of the intersection. This issue is further exacerbated by one vehicle parked on Atlantic Avenue near the intersection on the south side of the street. They asked that the committee make an effort to remedy the problem and suggested a traffic or engineering study of the intersection to determine some possible solutions for the issue. The committee in turn asked that the Police Department as well as Public Works work to determine if there were any solutions that we may have to address the issue.

In examining the intersection as well as many others in the downtown area it is apparent that there are sight line issues at most intersections in downtown proper. I recommend we develop a long-term plan to address these safety issues, which would include a traffic and engineering study of downtown streets and intersections. I identified at least twenty-six intersections in downtown proper where sight lines at intersections are an issue. I do not recommend fixing only one intersection at a time as this problem is much wider ranging and needs a holistic solution that includes repairing these issues on a larger scale.

In response to the citizens' complaints and Task Force's request, I recommend that the Town remove one permit parking spot at on the south side of Atlantic Avenue at the intersection with Main Street. This will allow for two vehicles to pass each other at the intersection and should alleviate many of issues at this intersection. This spot can be painted yellow and marked no parking as a short-term solution, with a goal of completing a larger study for a long term solution. The proposed change will be added to the Vehicles and traffic ordinance over the winter along with several other required changes.

Kiosks and Meters - Revenue

CY 2019	<i>5/1/2019 - 10/30/2019</i>	\$	1,653,038.80
CY 2020	<i>5/1/2020 - 10/30/2020</i>	\$	1,184,020.50
CY 2021	<i>5/1/2021 - 10/30/2021</i>	\$	2,201,547.75

Month	Parklets	Spaces	Lost Revenue Estimate	
				Month End
May	26	53	\$	16,347.52
June	26	53	\$	33,574.44
July	26	53	\$	35,420.14
August	26	53	\$	35,886.08
September	22	45	\$	27,157.20
October	22	45	\$	24,543.24
Current Total			\$	123,006.66