Parking Commission

February 9, 2021

Commissioners Present: Ann Melbourn, Tom Messina, Brad Jordan, Kathleen Tillman, Steve Petersen, Pat Murray, Elaine Price, Don Walters

Staff/Advisors Present: Emily Boyd (Downtown Association), Stephanie Padilla (City of Coeur d’Alene), Audrey Bell (Diamond Parking), Todd Feusier (City of Coeur d’Alene)

Motion by Commissioner Melbourn to approve the January 2021 meeting minutes as submitted. Seconded by Commissioner Tillman. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Parking Lot Revenue Update: Audrey is working on advertising the parking passes for the Coeur d’Alene Garage in the secured parking area. Overall revenue has significantly increased from January of last year.

2. Wayfinding Signage: Todd gave a presentation regarding the wayfinding signage and initial cost estimates he received from Shenango Screen Printing. The Downtown Association is working with the Economic Committee to inventory the number of signs needed and will work with Todd to get another estimate by the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Back up Generator: Audrey noted it may be necessary to have a backup generator to have in place if the power is lost in the parking garage because individuals were stuck in the garage in the last windstorm. Todd noted it would be best to have a backup battery system for the gates rather than the entire garage as it would be more cost effective and lower maintenance than a generator system. Batteries also have maintenance but would still be a fraction of the cost compared to a generator. Nothing has been priced out yet at this time. Commission feels it is worth looking into it. Commissioner Messina would like Audrey to ask the parking company if there is a backup system that automatically opens gate if power goes out.