

The Council on Parking Operations held the annual OPEN FORUM in the Big 12 Room of the K-State Student Union, April 16, 2015. These are the questions asked by attendees, and the answers provided by the Council.

Q) If we embrace a shuttle system, are we then going to pay for both a parking permit and a "bus permit"?

We are working with a consultant to help answer some of these questions. Other locations generate funds from student fees and student have access also to the City system. Some answers will depend on what system the University starts with, and what financial support the system has.

Q) No parking on campus?

There will be parking on campus. The center of campus overtime will be a pedestrian/bicycle zone, with minimal traffic.

Q) How much does the parking garage make? Is it in the red or in the black?

The parking system is self-supporting, but the garage portion does not support itself. The system was designed to use flat lot permits to help pay for the garage.

Q) Are all of the stalls in the garage sold? What is available?

All the Reserved stalls are sold, and the Student section is full. Preferred stalls still have about 30 available.

Q) Is the revenue generated because of the garage meeting the expectations when the garage was constructed?

When the garage pro Forma was written, there were to be only 500 students with access to the garage, at a rate similar to faculty/staff reserved stalls. This was modified so any student could buy a card and park in the 500 stalls if available. It is a little difficult to do an exact comparison, but it appears the garage is where it was planned to be.

Q) Where is the chilled water plant being constructed and what stalls are being lost?

By the Wind Erosion Lab/Recycling Center North of Weber. The B-16 lot, with 270 stalls temporarily and 180 permanent

Q) Where will the CBA park after construction?

Pretty much where they are parking now. There will be some loss of stalls for the roadway, and some people will move closer but many will remain in the garage.

Q) How much are parking fines are they increasing?

The Council is not proposing to increase fines this cycle. They are looking at an increase next year, and are looking at other items.

Q) When are the new rules in effect?

The start of the new fiscal year, July 1, 2015.

Q) Using the football stadium east lot, are they going to help in paying the \$3.5M for repaving the lot?

The exact mechanisms need to be worked out, but football does “rent” stalls from Parking now, and Parking has paid for upkeep when using the lots in the past.

Q) Motorcycle stalls?

Several years ago, motorcycle stalls were added in Lot A-2, and A-8. These seem to not be well used, and some or all may be removed. The Garage motorcycle area seems to be a big draw and may be used instead of the other lots.

Q) Annual deficits due to expenditures more than revenues, what are the numbers?

Our annual revenue is about \$300,000 less than our annual expenditures.

Q) How would the Park N Ride work if you leave campus and return?

Our impression would be that you would be able to park in a stall and ride the shuttle when you returned, with no additional charge.

Q) Where to place the signage and or stops of the busses when they stop?

Construction in the Ahearn area has caused the aTa bus to change procedures. We have some ideas for locations from the Consultants. Over time, bus pull-offs and bus shelters will become part of Campus.

Q) Concerns with Bluemont and events with kids over the summer. Science conference. Move the pickup for parents to another location.

Parking will work with STEM at Bluemont and Dance and Drama at Nichols to arrange child pickup off roadways and in parking lots. This is a problem that is worsened by the amount of construction on campus.

Q) Handicap parking on campus, is there a regulation on how many (percentage) of parking on campus?

The Americans with Disability Act specifies how many stalls per parking lot.

Q) West stadium used for displacement of residential students and/or commuter students for parking?

The Consultants will provide input and the Council will form the core of a group to study this, transit and other issues this Summer.

Q) With the shuttle service, would it run late night for students that have class/study groups late at night?

We are looking at what the system will do immediately and over time, for students, faculty and staff. We have staff that work many different shifts, and we have students and faculty working and studying different hours, and this has to be a consideration as we design the system.

Q) What to do with students parking in athletics lots that would need to move vehicles on a Thursday night?

There are a number of decisions that need to be made to answer that question. We know that many other Universities have to handle this sort of issue, so we have a number of different solutions.

Q) How to better market the Park N Ride and how to influence the culture change for the campus?

Our Communications and Marketing Division can be a great help in this process. As the construction continues, the shuttle system develops and we get new students, the culture will change. Communications and Marketing will help get the various options to faculty, staff, and students.

Q) Will there be a point where you just have to do it, raise the rates, etc. without being sensitive to feelings from staff or students?

We are sensitive to our customers, because we are our customers also. That said, we do need to pay for the raised prices and additional items that our customers want.

Q) Verbiage - "any person" to "Faculty/Staff"

If a student receives a citation, it is moved to the Student's KSIS account. There is no similar mechanism for faculty or staff, so citations need to be cleared before purchase of new permits.

One question was posed after the meeting ended. Could we not implement a larger increase now, rather than having an increase every year. The Council considered doing this, but decided to go through different parts of the parking system and review the charges, which will happen in upcoming years.

<b><u>Student Permits:</u></b>			<b><u>Current</u></b>	<b><u>% Increase</u></b>	<b><u>Proposed</u></b>				
	Off Campus Student		\$170	5.80%	\$180				
	Resident Hall		\$170	5.80%	\$180				
	Jardine Only		\$170	5.80%	\$180				
	Jardine and O parking		\$180	6.00%	\$190				
						<b>20 Payroll deductions</b>			
<b><u>Faculty/Staff Permits</u></b>						<b><u>Current</u></b>	<b><u>Proposed</u></b>	<b><u>Increase</u></b>	
	FT1		\$150	3.23%	\$155	\$7.50	\$7.75	\$0.25	
	FT2		\$175	5.70%	\$185	\$8.75	\$9.25	\$0.50	
	FT3		\$190	7.80%	\$205	\$9.50	\$10.25	\$0.75	
<b>12 Hour Reserved Stall (flat lots)</b>			\$900	7.50%	\$970	\$45.00	\$48.50	\$3.50	
<b>24 Hour Reserved Stall</b>			\$1,300	7.50%	\$1,400	\$65.00	\$70.00	\$5.00	
<b>Garage Reserved Stall</b>			\$610	7.50%	\$660	\$30.50	\$33.00	\$2.50	
<b>Garage Preferred Stall</b>			\$410	7.50%	\$445	\$20.50	\$22.25	\$1.75	
<b>Government Permit</b>			\$150	6.00%	\$160				
<b>Government Reserved Stall</b>			\$300	6.60%	\$320				
<b>Motorcycle Permit</b>			\$80	13%	\$90	\$4.00	\$4.50	\$0.50	
<b>Life Rec Permit (1 location)</b>			\$90	11.10%	\$100				
<b>Vendor Permit</b>			\$210	7%	\$225				
<b>Service Permit</b>			\$25	40%	\$35				
<b>Garage Access</b>									
RM, JR, FS	After Hours access		\$10						
CS, JRSA	Daytime access		\$10		\$30				