

Chief Parks explained also by moving forward the City can be first in line with other municipalities also placing orders with the beginning of their fiscal year.

**MOTION:** Motion was made by Commissioner Tornga and seconded by Commissioner Kynes to approve the purchase of an E-One, Inc. Fire Engine in the amount of \$637,278.88.

**VOTE:** Motion carried unanimously.

3. **\*\*\*STARRED ITEM\*\*\*\* - RESOLUTION 16-27**, adding the 380 Main Street/Douglas Avenue property (currently used as leased parking) into the Downtown Parking Management Plan for the next 4 to 6 months.

**MOTION:** Motion was made by Vice-Mayor Livingston and seconded by Commissioner Tornga to place this item on the agenda.

**VOTE:** Motion carried unanimously.

City Attorney Trask read Resolution 16-27 by title only.

**MOTION:** Motion was made by Commissioner Tornga and seconded by Commissioner Kynes to adopt Resolution 16-27.

CRA Director Ironsmith advised:

Resolution 16-27 adds the 380 Main Street/Douglas Avenue property (currently used as leased parking) into the Downtown Parking Management Plan for the next 4 to 6 months. The parking would be Tier 2 - \$1.50 per hour with a 3 hour limit similar to the surrounding area to promote turnover.

This property has 41 parking spaces leased by the City since 2008 which is planned for mixed use development anticipated to go to the Local Planning Agency in November and then to the Commission.

This will provide public parking for a heavy demand area in the downtown and can be utilized for large special events including Wines the Blues in November and Old Fashioned Christmas in December.

Commissioner Gracy inquired if this OceanOptics parking lot was included in the financial model for the Downtown Parking Management Plan. Mr. Ironsmith advised that it was not and it is currently leased at \$2,000 a month.

Mayor Bujalski requested a running list be kept of anything that changes the financial model along the way, for example an item would be the 20% discount for everyone in the month of October and this item and provide that information in the quarterly reports.

Mayor Bujalski inquired where the events were going to be staged if not in this location. Mr. Ironsmith commented he believed the Merchants were planning to use portions of Main Street and the right-of-way. He explained for Old Fashioned Christmas the Parks & Recreation Department was looking to make accommodations.

Commissioner Kynes inquired if it was correct this location was not in the original plan because the first right of refusal was not accepted and they were moving forward with development.

Mr. Ironsmith explained he was asked at the Agenda Review Session to speak with the property owner regarding first right of refusal which he did and there was no interest in giving that.

Commissioner Kynes clarified she was speaking about prior to this new owner the City had first right of refusal which was not accepted and the reason it was not included in the plan was they believed at that time they would be immediately beginning the development process and the property would be taken off the plate.

Planning and Development Director Rice acknowledged the new owner was willing to give the City the Wines the Blues event for staging, but were hoping to be underway as soon as that was over; however, there have been postponements and their schedule has changed.

Mr. Ironsmith stated he anticipates being able to use the location for parking through February before construction begins.

**Citizen Input**

Larri Gerson of 1310 Overcash Drive:

Advised she just received this text and thought the Commission and staff all needed to hear this reported in the Facebook group Keeping Dunedin Delightful:

From Kathy Esposito: I am just posting an observation. When I was walking downtown this morning, one person was trying to use the parking meter near Flannigan's and started kicking it...at 11:30, so probably not drunk. The next couple was staring at their ticket near the marina. I asked them how they felt about our new parking system. They said they used to live here, but moved to Tarpon from Dunedin and were happy they did so because this town was imploding. They were both college graduates, but it took them five minutes to figure this parking thing out and they weren't coming back because it was no longer "friendly." In addition, the meter didn't record their entire plate number. A third couple was near Best Western and the man said the whole thing "su...d" and they got in their car and left. No judgement....just a real time observation!"

Advised she was walking downtown yesterday around 5 p.m. She met up with 3 individuals that were unaware they did not have to pay to park, because of their Handicap Permit. Ms. Gerson advised she looked at all the kiosks and parking signs, nothing mentions it's free!

Commissioner Gracy verified with Mr. Ironsmith this parking location as identified in the Walker study as a hot spot area.

**VOTE:** Motion carried with Commissioners Livingston, Gracy, Kynes, Tornga and Mayor Bujalski voting aye. Voting nay: None.

**4. CITY CLERK'S UPDATE**

City Clerk Kirkpatrick mentioned the Charter Review Committee (CRC) has held two meetings. The last meeting was yesterday and the members selected Sections to discuss for their next two agendas.

City Attorney Trask advised the CRC may request additional time if they are not able to complete their assignment by January 31, 2016.

City Attorney Trask explained his perception from the CRC is that they want to hear any input from the Commission regarding a provision they want the committee to address.

Mayor Bujalski requested information on the CRC meeting times and the sections they are discussing.