Parking and Transportation

Advisory Committee Meeting (PTAC)

Dec. 17, 2021

Time: 10 a.m.

Platform: Zoom

Attendees: Josh Stone, Monica Jackson, Barbara Kidd, Keith Van Inwegen, Jessica Bryant, Jesse MacLelland, Nate Doughty, Carlos Brown, Rich Sliwoski, Fred Tugas

* **Broad & Belvidere Deck**
  + In need of repairs; received Foundation approval to proceed with repairs, and a contractor has been identified
  + Repairs to begin in spring following basketball season; deck will need to be closed from mid-March through late summer and reopening by Fall ‘22
* **Members reported their feedback on recommendations presented in the Oct. PTAC meeting:**
  + GRTC service reductions
  + Parking rate reduction related to rising gas costs
  + Collaboration with City of Richmond on safety initiatives (shared with VCU Police)
* **Josh to present feedback back to Executive Committee to inform future decisions at VCU**
* **Budget data presented by Finance for the upcoming three years**
  + Revenue declined due to COVID (Special Events, permits, paid facilities)
  + Increase must occur for P&T to maintain facilities (essential maintenance, LED lighting, cameras); will review in Feb./March regarding increase amount
  + Safety enhancements will be the priority
    - Safety projects upcoming requiring funding- security cameras, lighting, university fleet keys, LPR (long-term goal)
* **Additional**
  + P&T met with Student Senate recently, RamSafe concerns presented versus parking issues–accuracy, wait times
  + Coliseum Deck lease expires on Jan. 12
  + Walking away from A Lot in the upcoming years
  + Will be mindful not to raise rates unnecessarily
  + Transportation costs will increase once I Deck comes onboard–opens April 2021
    - When I Deck opens, daily parking will be available at this location via pre-purchase
  + P&T will not be in operation during the winter break; subscribers have been notified of impacts
* **Meeting opened for feedback/questions**
  + Need to create a plan to address stalled rates within VCUHS
  + What is the daily parking rate cost?--$6/daily
  + Issues at A Lot with lights; staff member sits at location during peak times at night
  + Adult Outpatient Pavilion–inquiry about confusing instructions regarding ticket validation (addressed to VCUHS); validating parking inside the clinic is preferable, but if using the credit card option, can be challenging so should pull a ticket
* **Updates for next meeting: construction costs, buses needed for I Deck route, camera project update, parking fee increase**