



City of Sidney, MT
Parking Commission Meeting 8-24-22
August 24, 2022 5:30 PM
115 2nd Street SE | Sidney, MT 59270

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Meeting ID: 830 8746 7848 Passcode: 432809 Call: 1-346-248-7799

Board Members Present: Mayor Norby, PWD Hintz, Alderman DiFonzo, Terry Meldahl

Others Present: Chief Kraft, FM/BI Rasmussen, Tony Hanson

1. New Business

a. Boys and Girls Club Parking

Alderman DiFonzo stated he has concerns with the bus and vans parked in front of the Boys and Girls Club. Clerk/Treasurer Chamberlin, as a Boys and Girls Club Board Member to relay any information the Board asks. Mayor Norby asked to see if they can look into parking the vans and bus to the parking lot by City Hall or on 2nd Street, as it is an 80-foot-wide street. Alderman DiFonzo stated it is public parking and if they are not being used they should be moved, possibly stored else-where, especially in the winter. PWD Hintz stated there is the parking issue behind the Club that is still being used inappropriately for employee parking. Clerk/Treasurer Chamberlin stated she will relay this information to the full Board and let the Parking Commission know of the results.

b. Off Street Parking Waiver for 213 E Main (Tony Hanson)

Mr. Hanson stated he has purchased the building and he would like to put a couple office spaces in it. He stated that Edward Jones has expressed interest in moving into that space, and another business owner. He stated that the building is no off-street parking available for that building. He stated they are planning to remodel the Mucho Si building next summer that will create some more parking, but not enough to meet the requirements. FM/BI Rasmussen stated the off-street parking is required if he chooses to have apartments in the building. Mr. Hanson stated with the building state and improvements that are needed, he will have to do major improvements including raising the ceilings. He stated if that happens, he will have space for the apartment above, but that is not something he is set on. FM/BI Rasmussen asked how many square-feet the office space will be and he stated 2,800 square feet. FM/BI Rasmussen stated that will mean he will need 7 spaces for the offices and then additional for the possible apartments, but the on-

street parking directly in front of the building can be added into those spaces at a 2-1 ratio, meaning if he has 4 on-street spots, it counts as 2 that are required. PWD Hintz stated an agreement with the Mucho Si building could be made to use those spots but cannot take away from their required off-street parking. Mr. Hanson stated he is also trying to make an agreement with the building owner next to him for alley parking spots. Alderman DiFonzo asked if the spaces have to be adjacent and FM/BI Rasmussen stated they have to be within 400 feet. Alderman DiFonzo asked if some of the parking behind the Cattle-Ac or some of the other open parking lots to meet their requirements. FM/BI Rasmussen stated that with the frontage and on-street parking, they would only be a couple of spots necessary. Mr. Meldahl stated that if it is apartment spots, they need to be off-street parking, as they could be parked there most of the time.

Due to the fact that a firm number of spots available or needed, the Parking Commission tabled the waiver to get firm numbers and a plan from Mr. Hanson, including agreements for shared spaces.