

Student Transportation Advisory Committee (STAC)

Meeting 16 Agenda

7/22/2019

9am-11am

- I. Roll call
 - A. Sign-in

- II. Special Session: Weekend Parking Fee

- A. Transportation Services update

The weekend parking fee proposal came out march, it blew up mid june.

Since then multiple meetings wish Josh to come up with some benefit to students in light of this decision. Meetings has been super productive.

This is what policy decision should look like as being student driven

- B. Presentation of Alternatives

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Alternative C: Instead of 10 days students would receive 6, the permit would upgrade to 4pm which would allow anyone with an A,B,V spaces at 4pm daily. Decreases the time that parking

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Alternative D: Night and Weekend Parking Permit. Allow anyone to park in A,B,S,V Spot after 4pm and on the weekends, This would cost \$30 per quarter and all the benefits of Alternative C would also apply to alternative D

- C. Speakers List: STAC member-only
- D. Speakers List: Public Comment
- E. Conclusion (Moving Forward)
 - 1. Transportation Services
 - 2. STAC
- III. Reports of Members (non-Weekend fee related)
 - A. Technical Advisors
 - B. Councils
 - C. GSA
 - D. AS
 - 1. Introduction of AVP Transportation and Transformation
 - 2. Future STAC leadership
- IV. Forum for Reports of Members
- V. Wrap up

Important Information

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Josh: I wanna talk just a second about the process, I wanted to share as well as I may the work of the students through the alternative, This is one of the most robust collaborations in between administrators and students that we have ever seen. The alternatives that were reviewed, the ideas of every single one are directly from students, each of them started with an idea with a

student. I also want to acknowledge a point of confusion of all our effort to do the best communication as possible. Typo on the town hall that went out last night.

Mistake: on alternative A, \$75 not \$60

To speak to the origin of this proposal. It was because we were looking at the long term financial status of transportation services, we decided we needed to get creative or increase parking permits. Those who park on the weekdays pay for those that pay on the weekend, this has been a good conversation about who pays into the system and who benefits from it

Eleanor:

In alternative A, there is a 1 weekend day included. Emergency, I need to get to campus now and park there, for finals and midterms. Wanted to reiterate

Erica:

Based on the coming budget corrections, is this being distributed fairly in between staff as well as students.

Josh:

Slight disproportion to staff as opposed to students. Last year we cut the price of parking at regents and Gliderport by 25%, freezing this price for 2 years. Other prices rise which cover that hole

Erica:

Josh:

We already have personnel over the weekends, we will be looking to see if that is efficient to meet the campus needs. Staff expenditures it would be possible.

Jqacob Faust:

I had a couple questions about how many S permits are purchased per year?

Permits in general, By when do these debts need to be paid back, about 2 million dollars in the next 3 years

In fall 2020 for sophomore limits, will they be allowed to purchase weekend passes

By alternative A how much would the difference?

The transportation department is limited, wh

First of all I would like to thank the student leaders and I want to thank Elizabeth for staying on top of our communications. I'm happy that transportation has agreed to rediscuss. I think option A is best, keeps the status quo, this would subsidize it. Doesn't understand option b or c. Option D sounds like the best option for students, what about students who have weekend midterms and finals. Create a registration for students who have to take a final on saturday. We don't want to take this on saturday. I understand transportation needs to raise funds and that it is better for environmental needs

Kaito

As a grad students we dont come on weekends to play we come to work. Insulting to ask us to pay. We are the people who make work happen. There's no shuttles so we have to live far in order to balance cost. That is part of our work, I urge the university to think of graduate students because we have different needs, I am here to say we are coming here for work

Jeny:

3rd year biological studies program. Our needs are different. Graduates are the driving force at UCSD which makes UCSD so research driven. My lab got a grant for 275.000 . Consider us in modifications

Marina:

I represent the Warren college student council. Option D is best, I really think that parking during the weekend should be D, She also posted her alternative

Pascal:

I would be interested to know where this extra money is going to go. I know its not edxtra, its required for projects, they're all based on parking so I'm curious to know if any of these would go to alterior modes of transportation

Laura:

PHD student, in bio department. I'm a rep from department and we collected info. During the week people use many ways to get to campus. Over 90% of students in her department drive on the weekend. Most shuttles dont work. Only 60% of people from the department live in La Jolla. Our stipends aren't huge. Grad housing is increasing in cost. Us not being able to do experiments means our graduation time increases. I really appreciate that we are having this conversation. The trolley is coming in 2 years, can we use this money for other modes of transportation.

Hannah:

PHD student from the biological science department. Thank you for including students. I have to go to work on weekends., a lot of these things are that experiments need to be done, some things can't be put off. I work with animals, and these animals need to be fed and bred. If i don't do this on time then i'm not taking care of them and treating them inhumane. I would like to not pay to come to work and it's important to notice that a lot of students feel like they're being taken advantage of

Petia:

Graduate student in Physics, I drive on the weekends. I have a 2 year old so I only get to work on the weekends. The housing situation became hard for graduate students. Teaching Assistants don't get top of the ladder, they get middle. The basic needs hub is expanding its services. Students need help with food and basic needs. Students are struggling with a lack of transparency from the universe.

Can we take a look at budgeting?

Josh Answering:

Start with questions that Jacob asked

S permits are issued in a number of periods. Gives us 3250 S permits on an annual basis

S permits make over 50% of all permit sales

Hasn't been able to differentiate between B parking and Grad

Payback period is 30 years, however due to the scale of the project now its 35 years

Sophomore parking restriction conversation is not a done deal, they just wanted to show what it might look like. A year to work on this before it goes live. Currently, sophomores would be able to purchase Night and weekend parking as well as single day passes on the D option

What would be the financial setback for A would

Looking at alternatives that are more student centred but are also possible from the department

Alumni donations could be used to pay for parking

Any funds going to alternative transportation modes.

Best answer is an indirect yes. If we can't raise the funds at this point it would negatively affect other transportation modes

Stac is less than a year old so we're still forming stuff

Bassel:

For the question about the setback of the 15 dollars if alternative A wasn't added. It would be 200,000.

Josh: Only 3,900 permits

Erica:

As a grad student it's also about teaching. Like proctoring, helping students, grading papers. I don't know if there's any way. I would like to see an earlier enforcement time over the weekend

General Reports of Members:

Pascal:

Many people mentioned the need for alternatives. If there were more alternatives then this wouldn't be an issue. I think these alternatives are important

Laura:

Was simply asking about weekend alternative transportation, hillcrest shuttle. It would be nice to see weekend money going toward weekend needs Specifically on the weekend

Hannah:

The lights shut off at 7pm everywhere. Maybe you would need less weekend enforcement

Jacob:

Looking at difference between base care rn and applying the rate charge. You get an average price about 273. Difference between extra \$15 is \$100,000. He doesn't see how an additional 75,000 will end up paying of 2M

It is fundamental we do understand the financial situation. Does this need to happen? I hope we can see the financial report from your department, from cash flow statements

Josh:

We are doubling the amount of weekend shuttle service in fall. Hillcrest shuttle super expensive to operate. Communication with MTS in order to better work with them. Make sure that these needs are well understood, bring creativity from new alternatives to approaching MTS

We cant just average it, it is about 200,000 generated by the surcharges. It is modest in the overall. Ossler increased the debt from 8 to 12 M

Valerie:

As some of you know, I'm not a fan of those solutions. I would like to reiterate I want free parking on nights and weekends. We need this because of equity. We have an increasing amount of people who need basic needs, these people cannot afford weekend passes, so free parking at night and weekend would give them the equity they need to be able to come to campus and pay

Josh:

Understands the equity concern, wants to provide something less expensive than base case.

While weekend parking is free to the user now, it is not free. It is paid for by permit holders.

Need to acknowledge that someone is paying for it

Erica: In future projects, these should be discussed with student input with payback plan in order to allow students to decide where they want their money to go

Basel:

I understand having the shuttle operate on the weekend isn't fiscally possible. There's a large number of students who come park on campus but don't necessarily have to. Could there be a system to validate the parking for people who work on campus. The 6 free weekend days would only apply to people who don't need to be there

Josh:

Off the top of my head I can't think of a validation system that would work over the weekend however this could be discussed for future use.

There is a 10M increase

Report of members:

Eleanor:

AS President, the undergraduate population. The stuff we talked about has been primary concert

Erica:

GSA Staffers same thing

Bassel: Revelle representative, nothing to report

Josh:

Work that will be going on imminently with shuttles, this has been very valuable but taken a lot of energy. Also want to note that transportation services is planning on making new moves on bikes and micro mobility. This week, there will be multiple types of micro mobility

KELLY:

My only position is STAC chair, previous off campus senator. Some things to start thinking about. Finishes in september. Vice chair position is vacant, outreach something to think about.

New AVP position, ease communication between commuter board, STAC, off campus senators, all colleges, and AS. Also transportation and projects

Emily:

Summer proxy for ERC, everything about weekend parking has been said. Constituents also raising concerns about freshman and sophomore parking, want clarification on labels. Wanted a more inclusive shuttle system, would it merge the routes or extend them

Valorie:

Representing graduate

Josh:

Following up on emily's question. We won't know until we finish the work. We took the expenditures with north and south campus shuttle and doubles it. Also help off campus service as well as campus circulation. When the loop was broken due to construction, they recreated the routes into north and south and started running modified version of these over the weekend. Did great things, connected graduate housing to the rest of campus, this it to the next level, how do we connect to the services off campus