Transportation and Parking Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes for Dec. 3, 2010

Attendees: Joe Papick, Emmanuel Papadakis, Jaesub Lee, Jeremy May, Donald Fox, Robert Walker, Chase Randolph, Cedric Bandoh, Matt Davis, Emily Messa, Bob Browand, Paul Lozano, Jean Valyan, Eric Holamon, Ruth Manny, Jonas Chin

I. Transportation and Parking Town Hall
   A. Please refer to http://www.uh.edu/af/docs/TPAC/Presentation_120310.pdf
   B. Parking Permit Proposal for FY 2012 – 2013 Presentation presented by Bob Browand
      1. Please refer to the presentation at the following link:
   C. Question and Answer Session with Community
      1. How will special guest parking in the E. Cullen Circle be affected by the parking plan?
         A. It will not be affected and will not go away
      2. How will student services center parking be affected?
         A. Plan on bringing meters to that visitors section of parking
      3. Are Residential Housing Students required to buy a RHE pass?
         A. No, the residents do not have to buy a RHE pass
         B. If a resident would like to park on campus, must have a permit, but does not have to be an RHE pass
      4. What is the ratio of ungated parking and gated
         A. About a total of 3,500 spots, almost 50-50, with garages being built, more gated parking would be effected
      5. Lot 4A, students are getting tickets in areas that aren’t clearly marked off and chains have fallen, also look into the lot next to the McDonalds
         A. We’ll look into it and address the issue
      6. Parking Garages- What are the emergency plans and how are we addressing crime and safety in the garages?
         A. Have Code Blue Emergency Phones, UH DPS has security cameras around the garages and monitor them
         B. Try to build in safety into the garages, have a good amount of light coming into the garages
         C. UH DPS- interviewing for new emergency manager
         D. Traffic Management is the key to emergency response
         E. Continue to work on good response time
      7. Parking in the Welcome Center Garage
         A. First floor used to be for visitors- was good for prospective students
         B. Guests and visitors, prospective students can now park on second floor
         C. Reason behind it was to have better traffic flow in and out, to not have to make students swipe in twice to park, happened over the summer
      8. Carpooling and Van pooling
A. Looking into alternative solutions for campus community, hope to decrease the amount of cars coming to campus
B. Incentives program- working on a framework plan for Commuter Club
9. Gated v. Ungated parking
   A. Talked about zoned parking in the future
   B. But not ready to do zone parking, not enough spaces
10. Street Closures
    A. Cullen? What is going on with it?
    B. Long talked about, if it were to happen it’d be years down the road
    C. Conversation with the City of Houston
11. Town Hall Adjourned

II.  TPAC Committee Meeting

A. Call to order
B. Transportation and Parking Approval Item:
   A. Parking Permit Proposal for FY 2012 – 2013
   B. Conversation/Discussion
      1. Adding about 900 economy parking spots
      2. Striving to be affordable
      3. Need to address supply and demand
      4. Folks who pay more have higher probability of getting parking spot
      5. This proposal is a two year deal, is there a middle ground where we can approve just FY 2012?
         a. No, working with two year legislative session
         b. Increases predictability
         c. Important to make sure that folks know how much to budget
         d. Don’t want to
      6. Want to break up the faculty and staff permit prices?
         a. Would be hard to do, given the amount of parking spaces we have
   C. Motion to approve the proposal for Parking and Transportation FY 2012-2013
      1. In addition with a provision, that consider and look into, minor tweaks
      2. Motion is to approve the Permit Prices Proposal FY 2012-2013 with the provision of looking at some minor tweaks
      3. Seconded, voted on and approved in a 7 to 2 vote
   D. Tweaks
      1. Dr. Papadakis, Bob Browand, Mr. Joe Papick and Dr. Jeremy May will meet to review tweaks and see if they are applicable to proposal that is approved

III. Adjourn