

SPECIAL TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING – January 28, 2023 – 9:00 A.M.

Jersey Shore Arts Center 66 South Main St. Ocean Grove, NJ

Mayor Cafferty calls the meeting to order and asks the Clerk to call the roll:

Roll Call	Present/ Absent
Dr. Michael Brantley	<u>Arrived at 9:09AM</u>
Robert Lane, Jr.	<u>Present</u>
Tassie D. York	<u>Present</u>
Nicholas Williams	<u>Present</u>
Keith Cafferty	<u>Present</u>

Also present: Gina M. LaPlaca, Business Administrator; Michael Celli, Assistant Township Attorney; Gabriella Siboni, Municipal Clerk.

Mayor Cafferty stated “I call to order the January 28th Meeting of the Township Committee. This meeting is a special meeting to hear the presentations regarding the pilot parking proposal and then to open the floor to public comment on this matter only. Each group will have allotted time to present their materials. The Public and the Committee will refrain from comments or discourse until the presentations have completed.

The Committee will not be taking action on any matters today.”

MOMENT OF SILENCE AND FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Cafferty announces that the notice requirements of R.S. 10:4-18 have been satisfied by the publication of the required advertisement in The Coaster on January 26, 2023, posting the notice on the Board in the Municipal Complex, and filing a copy of said notice with the Municipal Clerk. In addition, the meeting agenda, ordinances, and resolutions are posted on the Township web site (www.neptunetownship.org).

PRESENTATIONS

Joyce Klein, Andy Levine, and Shane Martin presented the following on behalf of the Parking Subcommittee:



Parking Subcommittee

Background

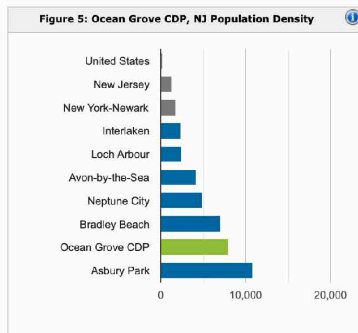
OG has a Parking Problem

- Ocean Grove has always had a parking problem
- In 2000, the parking problem was the result of visitors coming to Ocean Grove
- Today the problem results from Asbury Park visitors & workers using Ocean Grove as a free parking lot

Parking Subcommittee

- Committee Members Keith Cafferty & Tassie York volunteered to address this quality-of-life, parking issue at the June 14, 2021 Township Meeting
- Led by Committeewoman York, the Committee consisted of two representatives from OGHOA, OGCMA, OG Chamber, BPA and one resident
- Parking Subcommittee met a total of six times to discuss potential solutions

Ocean Grove by the Numbers



- **3,123** housing units
- **3,057** full-time residents with **40%** age 62 or older
- **3,229** available parking spaces
- **Second** highest population density in the region (only behind Asbury Park)

1.03 Parking Spots per Housing Unit

Source: US Census, Town Charts.com; 2015 CME Parking Survey

Efforts to Improve OG's Parking Problem

- OGHOA created a Parking Subcommittee in 2015 and issued recommendations in April 2016
- In response, Neptune Township required the removal of dumpsters and storage pod from streets on summer weekends
- Neptune Township created the Ocean Grove Parking Task Force which led to the addition of 30 parking spaces on Main Avenue and Central Avenue by adding angled parking

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More Efforts to Improve OG's Parking Problem

- Parking Permit Business Case presented by Committeewoman Carol Rizzo in December 2017
- Better Parking Alliance Parking Program Recommendations in December 2019
- OGCMA-Kimley Horn presentation "Ocean Grove NJ Improved Parking Opportunities, A Bundled Approach" in May 2021
- Neptune Township Subcommittee on Parking in Ocean Grove created in August 2021

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Proposal to Township Committee

Three Introductory Points

1. Aim: Increase the likelihood of residents being able to park near their home; discourage Asbury Park visitors & workers using Ocean Grove as a free parking lot
2. Cost: No fees for OG residents; modest cost for Neptune Township
3. It's a Pilot...It's a Pilot...It's a Pilot!

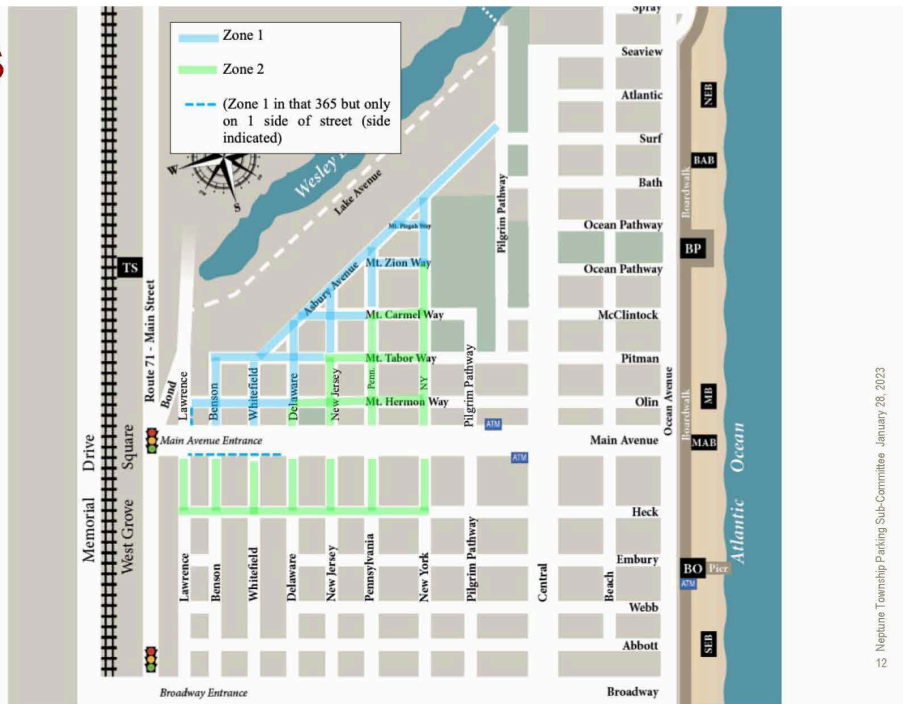
Pilot Program Overview

- Pilot has two zones; limited to Northwest section of Ocean Grove (estimated 15% of Ocean Grove)
- Large enough area to yield meaningful findings
- Designed to *increase* likelihood of residents being able to park near their home while *minimizing* shift of problem to other areas

Vetting with Township Administration

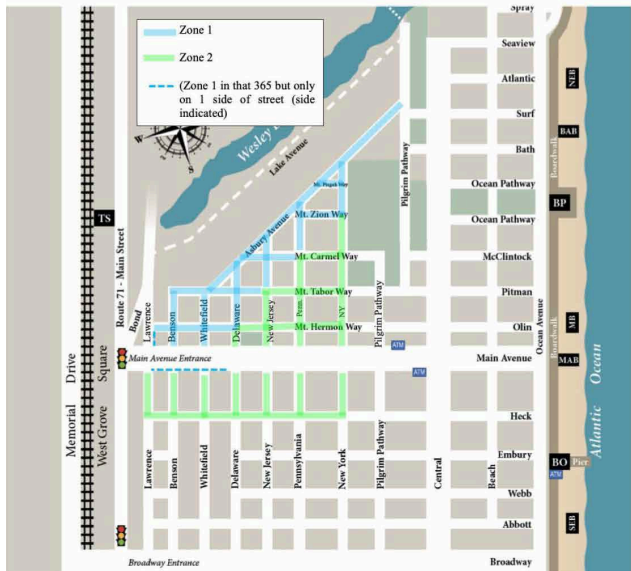
- Proposal initially reviewed by Township Attorney Gene Anthony in August 2022
- Further review on October 12, 2022 in meeting with:
 - Gina M. LaPlaca, Esq., Business Administrator
 - Michael J. Bascom, Chief Financial Officer
 - Gene Anthony, Township Attorney
 - Larry Fisher, Police Chief & Sgt. James MacConchie, Traffic Bureau
- Parking Subcommittee revised the program based on Administration feedback

Two Zones



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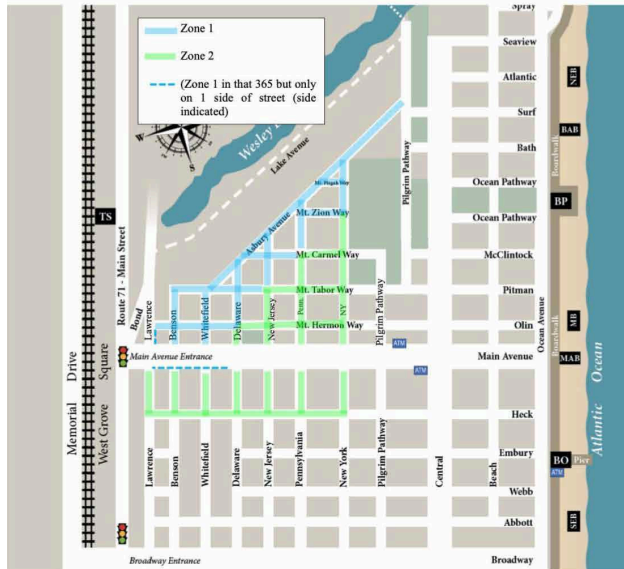
Zone 1: Year-Round Permit Area



- Blue area recommended by Kimley-Horn Study
- Adjacent to the Asbury Park Business District; Year-round influx of AP visitors & workers
- Parking permits to be enforced 12 month/year on both sides of the street

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Zone 2: Seasonal Permit Area



- Green area also negatively impacted by AP visitors & workers
- To be enforced 4 months/ year (May 15–Sept 15); one-side of the street parking
- Given proximity to AP, will also decrease chance of “spillover”

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Eligibility

- **All Residents:** Homeowners/renters in Zones 1 & 2
- **Valid Drivers:** Must provide valid driver license & vehicle registration
- **Proof Of Residency:** Pilot area residents must also provide:
 - *Homeowners:* Copy of property tax bill
 - *Rental Unit Tenants:* Copy of certificate of occupancy & residential lease (6 months or more)

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Permit Details

- **Limit:** Each residential unit in Zones 1 & 2 is eligible for up to two permits
- **Type:** Small, adhesive pass on vehicle windshield (includes plate number & permit expiration date)
- **Non-Transferable:** Each permit is for one specific car

Enforcement

- **Resident-Identified Illegal Parking:** Use current municipal law method of enforcing parking violations; residents report illegally parked vehicles to Police Dept.

Cost

- **No Cost to Residents for Permits: FREE!**

Measuring the Pilot's Success

- **Fix-It Portal:** Town's existing "fix it" portal will allow residents to report positive or negative feedback on the permit program 24/7
- **Post-Pilot Survey of Residents:** Potential survey of permit holders & non-permit holders for their views, suggestions & comments
- **Tickets:** Number of parking tickets issued

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Two Final Questions

1. What About Guest Permits?
2. What About Tenters?

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Why this Plan?

Support a Solution

- Quality of Life
- Standard Municipal Offering
- Our community deserves solutions, not speculation
- After 10 years, the time to address this known problem is now

Expert Analysis

- The Zones included in this Pilot largely reflect the RPPP Zones suggested in the 2021 Kimley Horn Report

Kimley»Horn
Expect More. Experience Better.



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You Spoke, We Listened

- Cost
- Concerns of “shifting the problem”

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Summary

Jesse Thompson from Chamber of Commerce stated “Hello I am Jessie Thompson the Executive Director for the Ocean Grove Area Chamber of Commerce. The Ocean Grove Area Chamber of Commerce was established to improve and promote business opportunities for all retail, professional and hospitality members in Ocean Grove and the surrounding area.

I want to thank the Neptune Township Committee for forming the Ocean Grove Parking subcommittee.

The Chamber would also like thank the committee for workshopping our Main Avenue Seasonal Restricted parking proposal. Which states:


As per the survey that the Ocean Grove Area Chamber of Commerce completed of our downtown businesses, we endorse the three-hour parking restriction on Main Avenue in the business district. The majority of our Ocean Grove businesses voted for three-hour parking from 9am – 6pm the months of May 15th to September 15th. The restricted parking would encompass Main Avenue between New York Avenue and Central Avenue.

- 25% of spaces dedicated to restricted seasonal parking (4-5 spaces per block, per side, 19 spaces total) out of 84 total spaces in the 2-block radius

We believe this plan will encourage parking turnover in the business district during the high season which will enable visitors and residents to frequent our downtown stores and restaurants.

We appreciated the opportunity to represent the businesses in Ocean Grove on the parking subcommittee. As well as being able to give input on the Resident Permit Parking Program. We will continue to monitor the parking situation and how it relates to our business district. The Ocean Grove Area Chamber of Commerce remains neutral on the Resident Permit Parking Program.”

Michael Badger, President of the Camp Meeting Association presented the following:



OCEAN GROVE
CAMP MEETING ASSOCIATION
GOD'S SQUARE MILE AT THE JERSEY SHORE

**Say “No” to Preferential
Parking Privileges**

**Michael Badger
OGCMA President
Jan 28, 2023**



Background

- Historically parking has been limited
- Residents purchasing are aware that parking is on the public street
 - First come basis
 - Narrow residential lots
 - Few garages or driveways
 - No special residential privileges
- OG is only a half mile wide and there were many other places to choose from. What tradeoffs did residents make when selecting to buy here?



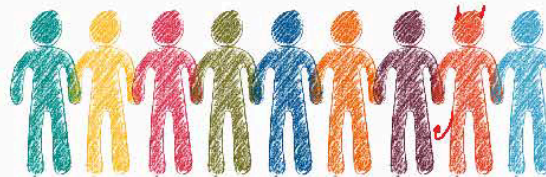
Who Benefits From the RPPP?

Advantaged



- OG Resident (when lucky)

Disadvantaged



- Neptune Residents (not from OG)
- Tenters
- Guests and Families
- Tourists
- Home Improvement Contractors
- Hotel/B&Bs/Shops Clients & Staff
- Beachgoers
- Police
- Asbury Park Patrons
- Caregivers

Hurts More People Than It Helps



Reasons to Oppose The Pilot

- Distracts the NTPD from essential and life-safety priorities
- Uses tax dollars in 2023
- Eventually passes additional expenses to billpayers
- Pushes the parking congestion to neighboring streets
- Fosters inhospitable relations between neighbors who call the police to enforce permits
- Adversely affects the tent and cottage community
- Discourages community & religious events
- Runs contrary to the Public Trust Doctrine in a beachfront community

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Additional Concerns

- Restricted parking spaces are a less efficient use of land
- More cars will be cruising looking for spaces
- Unattractive additional signs detracting from the National Historic District view perspective
- Pilot poised to expand
 - Add'l zones, both sides of the street, longer than seasonal
- Hundreds of out-of-OG staff work in shops, hotels, and beachfront

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Conclusion

- Ocean Grove was established by the New Jersey Legislature to be seaside resort. Keep Ocean Grove as it has been intended to be.
- The OGCMA requests that Neptune Township ensure access for all people.
- Say, “NO” to the Resident Permit Parking Pilot Proposal

Business Administrator Gina LaPlaca provided feedback from departments after they had a chance to review the proposal. Ms. LaPlaca stated the estimates for cost and production may change depending on further details. Ms. LaPlaca stated the Finance department’s initial estimate for startup was \$10,000, however, Public Works has notified administration that the signs alone will now cost approximately \$28,000-\$30,000. It is, therefore, reasonable, that the initial start up costs will be closer to \$35,000-\$40,000. Ms. LaPlaca also stated a sample timeframe which assumes no significant changes to the proposal or unexpected delays/ hurdles along the way, whether they may logistical, financial, or technical would have the earliest start time of the program in July.

Joyce Klein came to rebut the other presentations. Ms. Klein thanked Ms. LaPlaca for the updated numbers. Ms. Klein referred to the previous presentation as similar to Chicken Little in claiming that the sky is falling. Ms. Klein stated the sky is not falling. Ms. Klein stated the parking will still be full and there will be limited even in the parking permit side. The proposal is intended to improve the quality of life. Ms. Klein stated the parking proposal is mostly limited to the months of summer season and one side of the street; this allows for visitors to still come to Ocean Grove.

Mayor Cafferty called for a 10-minute recess.

Mayor Cafferty reconvenes the meeting and asks the Clerk to call the roll:

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PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR/PUBLIC COMMENTS

The public comment portion of our meeting is to allow the public to bring to the Committee’s attention their concerns or comments regarding the parking in Ocean Grove. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 10: 4-12(a) and the Neptune Rules of Committee, the Committee asks the public to limit their comments to five minutes or less. The Committee will respect the public’s time by refraining any comment until the speaker has finished with their allotted time. It should be further noted that public comment portion of our meeting is not structured as a question-and-answer session.

As the only matters to be discussed today are Ocean Grove Parking, the Committee will limit time to Three minutes per speaker. As a reminder, only those physically present will be able to enter a comment into the record.

There are microphones for Public Comment in the front row on the Floor Level and there is a microphone on the balcony level by the door. Please line up in an orderly fashion. We will alternate between floors to take the public comment. Please wait until you are called on to speak.

Name And Address	Public Comment
Mary Beth Robb, 90 Broadway	Ms. Robb liked that the proposal recognizes that this is not a silver. This is a block-by-block issue. This is a mature response to issue. In that sense, Ms. Robb supports this program. The tenters should however be included. Ms. Robb stated she is aware of people visiting Asbury Park will park in Ocean Grove. Ms. Robb asked if those with driveways will receive less parking permits.
Karen Dunleavy, 35 Atlantic Ave. Harriet Bernstein, Broadway Ave. Bob Ellis, 123 Mt. Tabor Way	Ms. Klein stated everyone will be entitled Ms. Dubleavy stated the Northeast side is slammed with parking. If the pilot proposal is accepted, she hopes it is furthered to the rest of town. Ms. Bernstein stated Camp Meeting’s stance was opinion based only. Ms. Bernstein stated the parking program is going to help a system that is broken. Mr. Ellis stated he is not in favor of the parking proposal. Mr. Ellis stated he may be in favor of the pilot. However, no one ever addressed how long the pilot program is to last.
Louisa Pastor 82 Broadway	Ms. Pastor stated she has stated the Town has changed since she has been here. Ms. Pastor stated she is thankful for those who worked on this proposal. Ms. Pastor stated this is the last best chance to make progress on the parking issue. Ms. Pastor asked when the Township will vote on this proposal.
38 Benson Ave.	Ms. Stated there are parking enforcement driving around town. How long is the pilot to be in place for.? Ms. Works from home. There are countless employees who park in Ocean Grove to go around the lake to go to their job. This is Ocean Grove addressing Asbury Park’s parking issue that is overflowing into Ocean Grove. Mr. Cafferty stated the way of enforcement has not been determined.
Norman Goldschmidt, Atlantic Ave.	Ms. Klein stated the initial proposal was intended for a year. Mr. Goldschmidt thanked the committee for their diligent work. Mr. Goldschmidt stated he did move here for the historic nature of the town. Mr. Goldschmidt stated that the change should not be included just to preserve history. Mr. Goldschmidt stated he is in favor of the pilot program.
Annabelle Bissett 77 Heck Ave.	Ms. Bissett stated her parking will be worse off because she is on the edge of the pilot program zone. However, she is still in favor of this parking proposal.

Nancy Badger, 129 Broadway	Ms. Badger stated this program is discriminatory of all the other Neptune residents. Ms. Badger asked the committee to oppose this parking program. It will benefit a few but will disadvantage many more.
Nigel Newton, 63 Delaware Ave.	Mr. Newton supported action on this proposal. He believed that instituting the proposal will show where the true needs are. Mr. Newton stated the increase in visitors to Asbury Park has put a strain on Ocean Grove.
Deidre Vatsen,	Ms. Vatsen wanted to thank the Township Committee for really considering this pilot program. Ms. Vatsen stated the best way to see if this will work, is to give it time to try.
Susan George, 95 Mt. Hermon Way	Ms. George thanked everyone who has been involved in the planning. Ms. George has felt less welcome in the recent years in Ocean Grove. Ms. George is in support of the trial of this pilot program. Ms. George brought up the closing of the gates on the footbridge.
Daniel Maui, 138 Mt. Hermon Way.	Mr. Maui gave credit to the work of the parking subcommittee. Mr. Maui stated he is frustrated that the Township Committee allowed the Camp Meeting to make comment. Mr. Maui is frustrated that an ordinance was brought to vote on Main Ave. before the resident parking program. Mr. Maui expressed frustration with Camp Meeting getting more presentation time than a resident.
Boston, 61 Stockton	Mr. Boston asked how additional parking that would move to the adjacent streets and how to measure those issues? Measurement of success of this program? Has anyone met with Asbury Park?
	Ms. Klein stated that meeting with Asbury Park has not been receptive. Ms. Klein stated that there is support for use of the fixit portal to submit comments or concerns. Ms. Klein stated there would need to be time to address a survey.
	Mr. Levine stated in a survey the question would be did this make it better or make it worse. Then review the data.
Dr. Cynthia Williams, Mt. Hermon Way	Dr. Williams stated she has lived in Ocean Grove for over 20 years. This meeting was advertised as a pilot program meeting. A pilot program is a feasibility study, a short-term program to determine if the program is feasible. Dr. Williams stated the presentations were edited to the parking committee's confusion. Dr. Williams stated there was a last-minute change to the agenda.
Fred Carl, 101 Embury	Mr. Carl stated he is surprised of the statements of Asbury's attitude. It may be possible to include the County or State to assist in a more cohesive way. Mr. Carl asked what the penalty for parking in the zone is.
	Ms. Klein stated the parking ticket is \$54-over \$100. Ms. Klein has reached out to additional legislatures and there has not been more response.
Lauren Cozza, 100 Autumn Dr.	Ms. Cozza commended everyone for their presentations. The pilot program is a pilot to see if the solution works. Ms. Cozza stated she used to park in Ocean Grove to visit Asbury Park as well. Ms. Cozza stated that the pilot program is determining if this proposal will alleviate the issue.
Kevin Chambers, 58 Heck Ave.	Mr. Chambers stated he has a driveway. Mr. Chambers stated he spent over a year fighting the Township. The zoning of Ocean Grove is against State Land Use Law. Mr. Chambers stated that all of Ocean Grove was to be single family. Any property with multiple units, is living in an illegal unit. The single-family residences will be treated differently than those in multi-units' properties. Mr. Chambers stated this will create a litigation matter for the Township.
Rob Olivie	Mr. Olivie stated that he believes that Residents should have first advantage to park in front of their homes. Mr. Olivie supports the program.
Sasha Lofreddo, 77 Main Ave.	Ms. Lofreddo appreciated the presentations and the work that was put into this proposal. Ms. Lofreddo stated she has concerns about the multiunit that is on

Main Ave. Ms. Lofreddo has concerns about the commercial spots and the parking program. The combination of these two proposals, will have a great effect on the multifamily units.

Ms. Klein stated there is no perfect “cutoff” for the pilot program. There are many multifamily units throughout town.

Pam 113 Asbury Ave. Jessie Thompson stated it was very thoughtful how the spaces were chosen on Main Ave. The spaces were chosen to not be in front of the condos Pam expressed her frustrations over the parking issues in Ocean Grove. Pam stated that being able to park near your home is not a privilege, but a basic necessity. Pam has asked that the Committee think of other’s needs. Pam is in support of the Pilot Parking Program.

Paul J. 2 Bethany Block. Paul J. stated the parking proposal did not address the tenters. Mr. Paul J stated that he leaves Ocean Grove every day and is able to return and find a parking spot. Mr. Paul J is opposed.

Kathleen Rochelle, 17 Atlantic Ave. Ms. Rochelle is in agreement with the proposal, but would like to see it expanded to Central Ave and Beach Ave.

Debbie Kittenger, Tenter Ms. Rochelle stated there are many people who park for the weekend to visit Asbury Park. Ms. Rochelle stated she thinks it would be beneficial to increase the parking ticket fee to deter people from parking in Ocean Grove. Ms. Rochelle stated the pilot program is breaking up the town.

Karol Siccarella, 45 Bath Ave. Ms. Kittenger stated that the parking issues are not new to Ocean Grove. Ms. Kittenger stated she hasn’t seen real data that the parking issue is from Asbury Park. Who is to say that there aren’t other things that are making this problem. This is a very congested town. Ms. Kittenger is not in the affected areas. The parking proposal seems like it will shift the problem. Strongly opposed As a lifelong resident seasonal, Ms. Siccarella is strongly opposed. Ms. Siccarella stated the proposal will shift the problem; it does not offer tent accommodations. Ms. Siccarella stated the proposal was put together by “homeowners” did not feel consulted as a renter.

Mary Heart, 77 Asbury Ave. Ms. Heart stated she has concerns about the pilot proposal and how it has handled guests. Ms. Heart also expressed frustration that the pass could not be transferred or used for guests. Ms. Heart stated the tags need to be transferrable. Ms. Heart would see a more thoughtful proposal before it is acted on.

Ms. Klein stated the speech about Asbury is not limited to workers, it is also referencing visitors, partiers, etc. Ms. Klein stated with transferability brought up concerns about Fraud.

Laura Hall, 3 Mt. Pisgah Way Tenter Ms. Hall state she is thankful for the listening ears of the Committee. Ms. Hall stated that tenters park in the areas noted in the proposal. There are other people who park there who are there to attend events in Town and there to worship. Ms. Hall stated she hopes to facilitate more conversations with Asbury and the businesses.

Kelsey, Renter on 88 Lake Ave. Kelsey stated she believes the proposal is at least something being put forth but would be open to other proposals that would alleviate this issue. Kelsey indicated when she was renting, she did not move her cars on the weekend to ensure they had parking.

Beth Mitchell, 136 Lake Ave. and Tenter on Kingsley Ms. Mitchell stated that the programming that occurs in summer through Camp Meeting and Chamber of Commerce. This proposal will make parking more

Eve Heart, Tenter	<p>difficult for participation in the programs. Ms. Mitchell also indicated that she has concerns over the transferability of the parking permits. Opposed.</p> <p>Ms. Heart stated she is a 4th Generation tenter. Ms. Heart stated that she leaves for work daily for her position and does not have a problem finding parking. Ms. Heart advocated for the workforce of Asbury Park. Ms. Heart is in opposition. Ms. Heart stated the pilot would be in baby steps, she does not believe this small enough a proposal.</p>
Bonnie Harley, 18 Front Circle	<p>Ms. Harley stated she believes there will be large amounts of spillover. Ms. Harley asked if you must be a resident to enter data on fix it form. Ms. Harley stated there are many other residents who were unable to attend. In opposition.</p>
Lisa Mazzarelli, 124 Clark Ave. Steve Berlin, 22 Seaview Ave.	<p>Ms. Mazzarelli is opposed to the plan. Ms. Mazzarelli stated the program will be detrimental to events in the Ocean Grove.</p> <p>Mr. Berlin stated that all of the justification for the parking program is applicable to other areas of Ocean Grove. The parking proposal does not cover enough space, otherwise it will just spill over. Support if it is expanded</p>
Catherine Sooter, Bethany Block	<p>Ms. Sooter stated they have had the same tents for over 30 years. Ms. Sooter is dismayed that the plan discriminated against tenters. The plan did not take into consideration the tenters. Opposed.</p>
Peter Lawrence, 113 Lawrence Ave.	<p>Ms. Klein stated during the meetings, the subcommittee wanted to include a much larger zone. There was not advocating for the tenters in the meetings. Ms. Klein stated she is not sure there is a parking solution to account for the events, tenters, and other residents. Ms. Klein indicated that the parking sub-committee is open to the expansion of the program, however, this is not guaranteed.</p> <p>Mr. Lawrence stated he witness people who are leaving their vehicles and their return from Asbury Park. Mr. Lawrence stated he believes that the neighborhood needs to be looked over by the Township Committee. Mr. Lawrence believes that the taxpayers in Ocean Grove should have access to things that may not be given to visitors. Mr. Lawrence stated he does not believe there will be spillover because the intent is to stop parking from people visiting from Asbury.</p>
Mike Harwell, 87 Mt. Tabor Way Adrienne Franco 9 Webb Ave.	<p>Mr. Harwell is in favor of the program.</p> <p>Mr. Franco is in support of the program. Mr. Franco believes the plan will be refined after institution. Mr. Franco agreed there are valid points that were posed, but they will be addressed as the program progresses. Mr. Franco urged the committee to vote in favor</p>
Jane Antonovich,	<p>Ms. Antonovich stated there is not a conversation about adding parking spaces and since that is not a part, she doesn't believe this plan will work. Ms. Antonovich stated this is a problem in every beach front community.</p>
Sue Smith, 7 Kingsley	<p>Ms. Smith stated she is a tenter and parks on Asbury Ave. Ms. Smith stated the plan does not include the tenters. The Survey does not include the camp meeting events or the tenters to determine success. She is in opposition of the parking plan.</p>
Peter Herr 13 Ocean Ave.	<p>Mr. Herr stated the proposal is just going to move the problem. Mr. Herr believes this is not just Asbury visitors, but an Ocean Grove internal issue as well. Mr. Herr stated this would not benefit tourism or business. Mr. Herr stated if there is not a good way of enforcement, the parking program is not worthwhile. Mr. Herr stated social media is not a way to gauge the success. Mr. Herr stated he is in opposition.</p>
Tom Higgins, 9 Pilgrim Pathway	<p>Mr. Higgins stated there was no parking on Pilgrim Pathway when he left for this meeting. Mr. Higgins has parked his visitors' cars for them. Mr. Higgins asked why Pilgrim Pathway was excluded from the parking proposal. Mr.</p>

Higgins stated there will be less people parking in the blue and green zones, but he believes the design will push parking.

Ms. Klein stated that they were trying to keep parking by the Auditorium available.

Lisa DePace 135 Mt.
Hermon Way

Ms. DePace stated that parking on Mt. Hermon Way does not have a problem during the Winter., unless there is a large event. Ms. DePace stated her concerns with the program including that lack of guest permits, how the permitted cars will be able to “save” spots for guests, the program pits neighbors against each other and the increase in signs.

Anna MacMorris, New
York Ave.

Ms. MacMorris agreed that all beach communities have parking problems, but in the past the community would look out for each other. The improvements to Asbury have exacerbated the parking issue and everyone is required to walk in town to park their vehicle. Ms. MacMorris support

136 Main Ave.

Is in support of the parking program. Also has noted the influx of use by Asbury worker and visitors. Has memories of circling to find parking spaces. There will continue to be spillover, but will hopefully limit Asbury

Natalie Morry, 121 Mt.
Hermon Way

Ms. Morry stated she is not a year-round but uses the home for time with family and friends. By restricting the rights of homeowners, to have guest passes or use their homes as they see fit. Ms. Morry stated there is currently parking on the street and has never had to park more than a block away.

Elaine Parish, Tenter 3
Kingsley Pl.

Ms. Parish say you learn to adapt to the parking issue. By restricting the parking, you are only benefitting the people specifically included. This will just move the problem. Ms. Parish is in opposition

Amy Heller, 104 Mt.
Tabor Way

Ms. Heller expressed thanks for everyone who worked on this. Ms. Heller expressed frustration that there is no guest passes or transferability. Ms. Heller would like to see a permit program. Would just the program to be more fair.

Derick Parish, 3
Kingsley place.

Mr. Parish stated there has always been a parking program, but you can always find a place. Mr. Parish stated there will be overspill to other areas. Mr. Parish stated there

74 Lake Ave.

Thanked the committee and subcommittee for their time. Is in support of the parking proposal. Believed the program would allow her to get groceries without worrying about her parking space.

Diane Henry 71 Pisgah
Way

Ms. Henry is not for or against the program. Ms. Henry stated that the majority of people who are here today are here because they can be here. This does not take into account those who can't be here today. Ms. Henry stated if polling was done, she was not included.

Joe Zachery 147
Broadway

Mr. Zachary is opposed to the pilot program but did want to thank everyone for their work. Mr. Zachary stated there is not an objective metric to determine success. Mr. Zachary stated the creation of permitting parking in an area will eventually require permits across Ocean Grove, which Mr. Zachary is against. Exposure on Public trust Doctrine

Janet Hermit, Mt.
Pisgah Way
Chris Jenson, 90 Mt.
Tabor Way

Ms. Hermit is not in favor of the proposal and believes it is discriminatory. Ms. Hermit believes that the future of the program is fees for the permits.

Mr. Jenson stated there is clearly a parking program. Mr. Jenson stated that by doing nothing, the Township is giving preference to the tax paying constituents. Mr. Jenson is in support.

Mark Mitchell

Mr. Mitchell stated any proposal that requires neighbor enforcement is a bad idea. Mr. Mitchell stated the proposal has already created a more hostile environment and it has not been effectuated.

Evelyn Murphy,
Neptune

Ms. Murphy stated the issue is not just about Ocean Grove, but Neptune Township as a whole. Ms. Murphy is in support of the program. Ms. Murphy stated this is a good experiment. Ms. Murphy stated Ocean Grove residents who

Trevor Hault	volunteer, cannot sign up for summer events because they can't risk losing their parking space. Ms. Murphy commented on the beach in Ocean Grove as well. Mr. Hault is in opposition of the proposal. Mr. Hault stated there will be a shift of the parking issue. Mr. Hault stated this is not a proposal or a pilot, this is planned to occur and does not have a clear end date.
Robert Lamont, 86 Asbury Ave.	Mr. Lamont is in full support of the Parking Proposal. Mr. Lamont stated it makes sense to do a pilot first to see its feasibility. Mr. Lamont stated he does not believe that the parking restriction would decrease property values. Mr. Lamont stated he believes the Camp Meeting position is discriminatory.
Paul Kaplan, Mt. Zion Way.	Mr. Kaplan stated he took a survey of those on Asbury Ave. that couldn't be here today. Mr. Kaplan read quotes from unnamed residents; the sentiments were that there is a parking issue. Mr. Kaplan stated there is a parking issue in Ocean Grove. Mr. Kaplan is in support of the pilot program.
Monica Kowalski, 87 Abbott Ave.	Ms. Kowalski is in opposition to the program. Ms. Kowalski has not seen any data on the foot traffic. Ms. Kowalski did not believe the 6 meetings were enough to create a proper proposal. Ms. Kowalski stated there are too many exclusions in the plan. Ms. Kowalski stated the density in the area in the zones is higher than other areas.
Bud Hanson, 6 Mt. Zion Way	Mr. Hanson stated he is in opposition of the proposal. Mr. Hanson stated his concerns are guest parking, tenters parking, anticipated parking spillover and there must be measures to determine success.
Keith Ransom, 14 Bethany Block	Mr. Ransom stated he has concerns regarding tenters not receiving parking permits. The Tenters will move parking towards the Ocean. Mr. Ransom expressed concerns over parking during events. Mr. Ransom stated to close the footbridge if the problem is Asbury.
Robert Mitchell, Tenter and own Mt. Tabor Way/ Benson	Mr. Mitchell stated there needs to be metrics to determine success, and there needs to be lines painted for parallel parking. Mr. Mitchell stated that he has seldom had to walk long distances. Mr. Mitchell stated his potential caregiver will not be able to park by his home.
James McNamara	Mr. McNamara stated there have been studies and proposals previously. Mr. McNamara stated he believes it was 2 to 1 in support of the parking proposal. Mr. McNamara is in support of the program. Mr. McNamara stated that he does not believe there will be spillover. Mr. McNamara stated the Township Committee can include the tenters.
Marc Cory, 11 Seaview	Mr. Cory stated Seaview will have some of the spillover. Mr. Cory urged a vote in favor of the parking proposal.
Barbara Burns, 4 Ocean Ave.	Ms. Burns stated the Public Trust Doctrine is a federal law that was also codified in New Jersey. The document talks about access to the beach. A municipality cannot include undue restrictions on beach access, Ms. Burns stated this program does not inhibit parking at the beach. Ms. Burns stated those who weren't aware of the meeting should sign up for alerts from the Township or visit the Ocean Grove Homeowners to sign up for their mailing list.
Rick Cuttrell, Shark River Hills and 29 Bath Ave.	Mr. Cuttrell stated there is an assumption that people are parking in Ocean Grove because there is a fee. Mr. Cuttrell stated it may be because there is no available parking in Asbury Park. This will just displace the parking in the permitted zones and move it to additional locations. Mr. Cuttrell stated there will be residents "saving spaces". Mr. Cuttrell stated once this is done, there is no turning back. Of course, this will be effective in the blue zone or green zone, the other areas will have an increased negative effect.
Christopher Able, Mt. Tabor Way.	Mr. Able asked not to pit Neighbor against Neighbor. Mr. Able stated the parking issue is the workers and visitors from Asbury Park. Mr. Able believes that residents should have access and there

In support

Richard Williams, 1
Abbott Ave.

Mr. Williams is in support of the proposal. Mr. Williams stated a number of the issues that were mentioned today can be worked out as the program progresses. Mr. Williams believes this is the chance for the Township to incorporate this program.

Jay Shapiro, Heck Ave.

Mr. Shapiro stated that Asbury Park was underdeveloped when he first moved here. Since Asbury Park has been revitalized, many of the parking issues that didn't exist, but do now. There needs to be a resolution to the parking problem. The tenters need to be included and the parking permits do need transferability. Mr. Shapiro is in support of the program.


ADJOURNMENT

Offered by: York

Seconded by: Lane

Time adjourned: 1:23 PM

Respectfully Submitted,



Gabriella Siboni
Township Clerk