

TOWN OF HOLDEN BEACH PARKING COMMITTEE HOLDEN BEACH TOWN HALL – PUBLIC ASSEMBLY FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2021 - 10:00 A.M.

- 1. Call to Order Commissioner Tyner
- 2. Public Comments Town Clerk Finnell
- 3. Approval of Agenda Commissioner Tyner
- 4. Approval of Minutes Town Clerk Finnell

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- 5. Review of Deliverables Planned for Completion at January 8, 2021 Meeting Town Manager David Hewett and Planning Director Tim Evans (Pages 2 9)
 - Develop the cost and work estimates and estimate the number of potential parking spaces that would result from building a knee-high bulkhead across the Town-owned properties in the 800 block of Ocean Boulevard West (OBW) to create new parking lots.
 - Develop the cost and work estimates and estimate the number of potential parking spaces
 utilizing the two cross-through streets between OBW and Brunswick Avenue West.
 - Develop the cost and work estimates and estimate the number of potential parking spaces by creating angled parking spots on Avenue A.
 - Investigate the potential of using the space previously known as Hillside Drive where Ocean Boulevard East ends and McCray Street begins on the ocean side for potential parking spots. If the use of the space is feasible, develop the cost and work estimates and estimate the number of potential parking spaces.
- 6. Discussion and Determination of Work Efforts for February 2020 Commissioners Tyner and Murdock, Town Manager David Hewett (Pages 10 12)
- 7. Adjournment

^{*} Due to the Town of Holden Beach's State of Emergency Restrictions and Governor Cooper's Safer at Home Order, in person public attendance is prohibited. The meeting will be livestreamed on the Town's Facebook page. Visit https://www.facebook.com/holdenbeachtownhall/ to watch the livestream. Public comments can be submitted to heather@hbtownhall.com or deposited in the Town's drop box at Town Hall prior to 9:00 a.m. on February 5, 2021.



TOWN OF HOLDEN BEACH
PARKING COMMITTEE
FRIDAY, JANUARY 8, 2021 – 10:00 A.M.

The Parking Committee of the Town of Holden Beach, North Carolina met on Friday, January 8, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. in the Town Hall Public Assembly. Present were Commissioners Woody Tyner and Brian Murdock; Town Manager David W. Hewett; Town Clerk Heather Finnell; Inspections Director Tim Evans; Development Services Officer Rhonda Wooten; Assistant Town Manager Christy Ferguson; Public Services Crew Leader Scott Cunningham; and Lieutenant Frank Dilworth.

REVIEW OF INITIATIVE APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND AGREEMENT ON INITIATIVE DELIVERABLES/ DETERMINE SPECIFIC WORK EFFORTS AND TIMELINES

Commissioner Tyner called the meeting to order and reviewed the information in the packet. The committee discussed what they would like to achieve. The DOT's parking area for the boat ramp was discussed. Inspections Director Evans went over the information in the packet from previous parking committee meetings and reviewed parking information he has. The committee discussed potential parking in the 800 block.

After discussion, the Committee decided to move forward on the following taskers:

- 800 Block Properties determine where the bulkhead would be and a cost estimate for it; determine how many parking spots there would be and how they would be laid out,
- Cross-through Streets Between Ocean Boulevard and Brunswick Avenue West look at the number of potential spaces and a cost estimate,
- Avenue A look at angled parking,
- Look at the area around old Hillside Drive for potential parking opportunities.

DETERMINE NEXT MEETING DATE

The committee agreed to meet the first Friday of each month at 10:00 a.m.

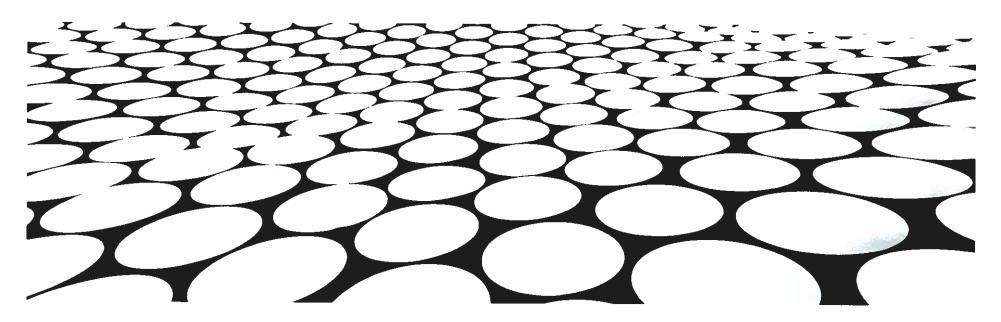
The committee provided final comments. The boat ramp will be discussed at the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:43 a.m.

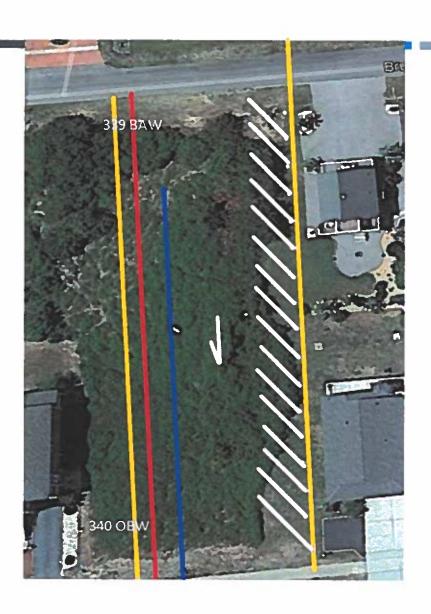
PARKING COST DEVELOPMENT ESTIMATES PARKING COMMITTEE

THESE ARE PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATES BASED ON STAFF'S BEST ASSUMPTIONS.



PARKING COMMITTEE TASKER

- Develop Cost Estimates and Number of Spaces, including Bulkhead in the Properties in the 800 block
- Develop Cost estimates and number of spaces, for paving through streets between Ocean OBW and BAW
- Develop Cost estimates for angle parking spots on Avenue A
- Investigate the potential for using the space formally known has Hillside Drive,



Reserve 12

15,000 Square Feet 25 Parking Spot Paving Cost \$72,000 Estimated cost per space \$2,880.00 DEQ permits N/A

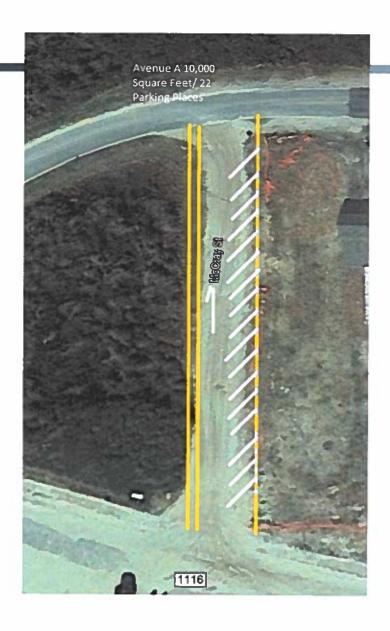


Reserve 11A 15,000 Square Feet 25 Parking Spot Paving Cost \$72,000 Estimated cost per space \$2,880.00 DEQ permits N/A



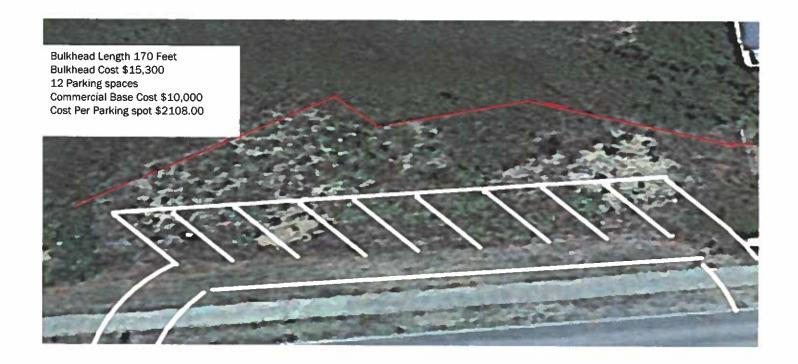
Lots 810-822 Cost estimates Bulkhead \$30,780 31 Parking spaces Cost For Commercial Base 6 Inches of Slate \$32,000

Cost per Parking Space \$2,000



Avenue A 10,000 Sqft 22 Parking Spaces Cost for paving \$48,000 Cost for Commercial Base, Rock \$ 25,000

* CAMA may not allow any foreign material is this area.



764 OBW,

COST ESTIMATES

- 810-822, cost= Commercial Base \$12,674 Square FT= \$32,000
- 810-822 cost of Bulkhead 342 Linear feet= \$30,780
- Reserve 11B cost of paving=15,000sqft=\$72,500
- Reserve 12 cost of Paving= 15,000Sqft=72,500
- 764 OBW cost= Commercial Base \$10,000
- 764 Bulkhead 170 linear Feet= \$15,300
- Avenue A Cost of Paving 10,000Sqft= \$48,000
- Avenue A cost for Commercial Base Only=\$25,000

- Total Paving Cost \$145,000+\$48,000 if Avenue A is paved
- Total Bulkhead Cost \$46,080
- Total Commercial Base \$67,000-25,000 if Avenue A is Paved

Free parking may be a thing of the past at Kure Beach, Surf City

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January 26, 2021



Directly north of Kure Beach, the town of Carolina Beach enforces paid parking from the beginning of March through the end of October. (Port City Daily photo/Mark Darrough)

SOUTHEASTERN N.C. – Some of the few remaining beach towns in the area without paid parking are reassessing the option as a revenue generator ahead of the upcoming tourist season.

Two municipalities are considering paid parking as a way to collect funds for their beach-specific needs, and a third is preparing to launch its program this March.

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Surf City is discussing the issue in the coming week. If it moves forward, it will join its neighbor in implementing paid parking for the first time. North Topsail Beach plans to enforce the program this March to generate revenue for regular beach maintenance and nourishment.

Monday night Kure Beach reconsidered its currently free parking as well. The council pushed the discussion to its retreat the following Monday, Feb. 1, during which members will evaluate a range of priorities.

The paid parking would mainly target day-trippers who fill the town's lots throughout the season and take advantage of the beaches. The small town of Kure Beach grows from 2,500 full-time residents to about 6,000 at the peak of the season.

"No parking is free, either people who park there pay for it or the town pays for it," Mayor Craig Bloszinsky told the council Monday.

Locals have other options from the public parking, such as homeowner's association lots or walkability to the beach accesses in the six-streets deep town. At least 20% of property owners are already located on the oceanfront.

Over the summer, the town's parking committee put out a request for proposals and received six from national firms. The committee was searching for a partner that would manage the overall process to ensure the four-member town staff could focus on other needs. It narrowed the companies down to recommend Premium Parking and envisions starting with two pay stations that use license-plate recognition rather than numbered spaces.

After listening to a presentation from Premium Parking, the council briefly discussed whether it would move forward with the company but ultimately chose to table the decision. Council also has to work out other details such as the rates per hour, ticket costs, enforcement months, resident programs, and how to use the income.

It also is interested in whether the police department can effectively control illegal off-street parking in resident's front yards that the council expects to occur when the paid parking goes into effect.

Of the three New Hanover County beaches, Kure Beach is the only to still provide free parking through the on-season, early March to late October. Wrightsville Beach charges \$5 an hour or \$25 per day. Carolina Beach charges \$5 an hour or \$20 a day, although beachgoers can save a few bucks at meters with a time limit, where the cost is \$3 an hour for up to two hours.

Surf City

Free parking at the Topsail Island town's 36 beach-access locations may soon be a thing of the past. Surf City is considering a plan in which visitors would pay to park via a mobile app. The town also is considering contracting with a vendor to enforce the paid parking, as well as other parking-related issues that often tie up police officers in the busy summer months.

The pay-to-park plan would be only for the island section of Surf City, with parking remaining free west of the bridge, Town Manager Kyle Breuer said Tuesday. Breuer also said the town is looking for ways to accommodate anyone without access to a mobile device and is considering offering free parking for residents.

Since all parking currently is free, the town's police officers don't have to ticket cars that have overstayed their limits. They do, however, have to enforce other violations, such as cars in no-parking zones or too close to intersections.

The number of parking citations issued by the town's police department has increased 170% in the past three years, Breuer said. Since most of those citations are based on local ordinances, a third-party vendor would be authorized to issue them, freeing up police. If the enforcement company sees a statutory violation, such as parking in a handicapped space, the police department would be called.

Officials say such a plan would help the town provide better-organized and safer parking and also help offset the costs of tourist-related projects, such as beach nourishment.

The Surf City Town Council will consider the proposal at its Feb. 2 meeting.

Ahead of the Surf City meeting, the town is accepting public comments by calling and leaving a voicemail at 910-338-5510 or by **emailing** the clerk. Attendees may also speak in person. The council will hear all comments from the public prior to the anticipated Feb. 2 vote.

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