Members present: Jessika Antinon, Jim Barna, Glenn Barrington, Jennifer Bennett, Justin Burch, Niels La Cour, Lori Corcoran, Eva Freidman Hall, Robert Hendry, Jon King, and Tom O’Donnell

Jon King, Parking Services Update:

- Permit sales this year are 35% of what they were last year.
- Students were refunded for permits that were not used for the entire year.
- Faculty and Staff were also partially refunded.
  - 50% refund for employees who purchased a permit for the fall only.
  - 22% refund for employees who purchased a permit for the full year.
- If anyone wants a lot upgrade they can get a free one after filling out a waitlist form.
- All lots, other than red lots, have been open to ParkMobile.
  - Students returning are likely to only be on campus for a short period of time.
- Employees who paid for a permit in full then went on extended furlough will bring in their permits, and receive a prorated refund.
  - Niels – Does that include folks like me who are 50% furloughed?
  - Jon – I’m open to suggestions. I just learned about the 50%. I hadn’t thought about it, but we will think about it, Niels.
- Parking Services has slashed expenses, and everything is now fixed costs.
- One of the largest line items every year is snow plowing.
  - A three year contract is going up for bid right now for a fixed dollar amount.
- Lot 33 was bid with the University Dr. paving project making the lot almost a third of the regular price.
  - To be completed in October.
  - Adding 54 spaces.
- In Lot 21/22 every other row will be covered by solar canopies.
  - All of the islands will be removed adding 120 spaces.
- In Lot 49 every other drive through area will be covered by solar canopies.
- Eva – Is removing the islands safe for pedestrians? Those with mobility issues might be using them between spaces.
  - Jon – We have handicap parking spaces and Transit shuttle buses. It’s the first I’m hearing of it, but the islands weren’t easy to get into either since they had the curbs.
- Jessika – Now that Worcester DC is built, with the tighter budget do you think it will still be a garage?
  - Jon – It’s going to be a lot with 80 spaces. I’m still shooting for a garage. The lot will have two level 2 charging stations.
- There is an interactive map on the Parking Services website. If anyone has the time to check to see if anything needs to be added or adjusted that would be helpful to the department.
Glenn Barrington, Transportation Services Update:

- Ridership figures have taken a hit.
- UMass Transit Services was on track to increase ridership last fiscal year before March.
- September will be the first real academic ridership UMass Transit will see this fiscal year.
- Niels – Does the decrease in ridership affect your funding formulas?
  - Glenn – We will see. With the unique situation I don’t imagine the federal government will take away funding. We are hearing the same kind of decline all over.
- The UMass Transit Services maintenance team designed, and manufactured, a polycarbonate barrier for the drivers.
  - The student workforce cut them out and installed them in the buses.
  - Effective tool to allow passengers to freely board through the front doors.
- UMass Transit Services has a face mask policy in effect for all drivers and passengers with extra masks for passengers who need it.
  - Drivers have a COVID kit with hand wipes, sanitizer, disinfectant wipes and spray bottles.
  - Drivers are required to disinfect the driver’s areas between shifts.
  - Drivers are also encouraged to go through the bus throughout the day to disinfect heavily touched area.
- Buses are sanitized with Triton disinfectant nightly.
- Fewer buses are running because there are fewer students.
- All buses end before midnight.
- The modified schedule will run through 11/20/20
- UMass Transit Services hired and trained 57 new drivers in fiscal year 20.

Zoom Meeting Adjourned at 1:11 pm.