



2012 Parking Think Tanks

Parking Summit (4 December 2012)

The Summit session of the 2012 Parking Think Tank series convened on 4 December 2012 from 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM at the Old Council Chambers at 441 4th Street NW. The minutes contained represent a summary of the session's discussion. The following individuals were in attendance:

Public (102):

DDOT Staff (5):

Parking Summit Presentation

Starting promptly at 6:15 PM, Mr. Angelo Rao convened the Summit session of the 2012 Parking Think Tanks series. Mr. Rao provided an overview of the guiding parking principles and the parking think tank series. Proceeding with the presentation, Mr. Rao presented summary points across ten themes evident from the comments received from the parking think tank meetings and online survey. Mr. Rao then presented an action plan of priority items to address.

Community Conversation

At 6:35 PM, Mr. Angelo Rao noted to participants that he plans to circulate around the room and allow all participants to provide comments regarding the findings or parking in general. Mr. Rao set a ground rule that anyone with additional comments to hold off until a second go around of comments at the end.

Comments from the public were divergent across issues, but key points raised included:

- Representatives from places of worship felt that they are not part of the parking conversation and there needs to be a concerted effort for their inclusion.
 - Mr. Rao noted a commitment to be a broker between the places of worship and residents via the ANCs.
- Mobility challenged residents noted a need for additional ADA parking, however feel the Red Top meters is not the appropriate approach.



- Residents and businesses expressed divergent opinions on the interaction between parking and bicycle infrastructure.
- Participants expressed divergent opinions about the Residential Parking Program, noting opinions on pricing and protections that are skewed towards residents.
- Participants expressed concerns regarding signage in the District.
- Participants expressed divergent concerns regarding zoning and parking minimums.
- Participants expressed concern about parking changes impacting small businesses.
- Participants expressed the need to incorporate technology as part of new approaches to manage curbside parking.

Summit Wrap-up

At 8:50 PM, Mr. Rao concluded the community conversation regarding the parking think tank findings. Mr. Rao expressed DDOT's priorities going forward. Additionally, Mr. Rao encouraged participants to keep the dialogue going regarding parking. Mr. Rao highlighted various ways participants can stay involved in the parking dialogue. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.