

## Standing Committee Annual Report: 2019-2020

**Name of Committee or Council:**

Parking Committee

**Chair**

Dr. Christos Frentzos

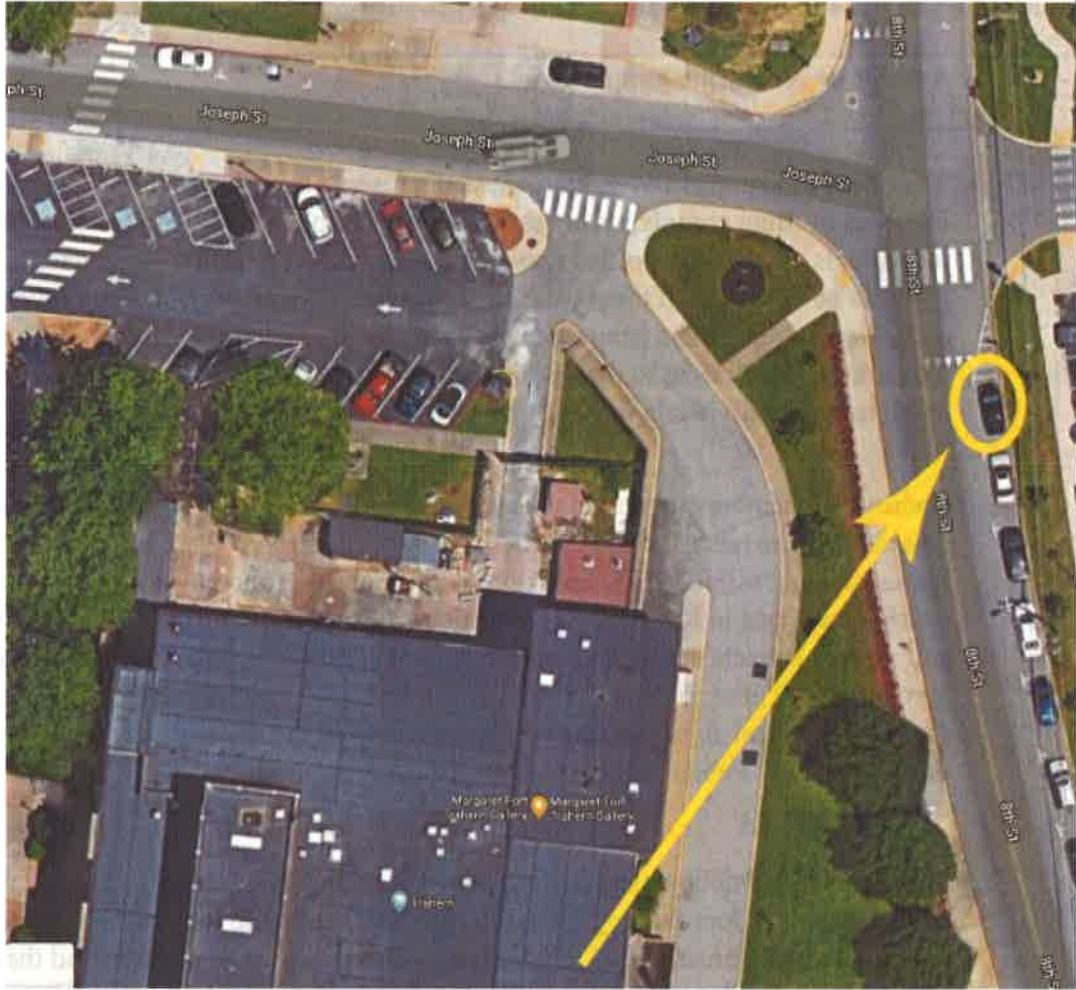
**Meeting Dates in Current Year:**

November 22, 2019

### Major Actions or Accomplishments:

1. The office of Campus Diversity requested a reserve spot for people who may be involved in filing complaints or responding to complaints. Due to the fact that individuals visiting their office may be dealing with very serious grievances, they felt it would be beneficial if there was a reserved space near their building (Truck Center on College Street). The committee voted to install one generic "Reserved" space in the parking lot adjacent to their building. The unspecified sign is designed to provide anonymity to individuals who may be visiting that office.
2. Committee members requested updates on the following items that have been discussed in the past: 1. Status of the LPR system (License Plate Recognition); 2. Status of using official APSU parking pylons/cones – concern about continued parking lot abuse in Kimbrough – blocking spaces for private usage. 1. LPR software and vehicle are scheduled to go online in the fall 2020. 2. Office of Public Safety purchased 100 new cones which will be marked with "AP" stickers. They also purchased several signs that can be placed on top of the cones to clearly designate them as "APSU Public Safety" cones.
3. Employee with Public Safety had the following suggestion: Install a crosswalk on Drane St. going from the Foy lot to the sidewalk leading to the east side tunnel doors. Many different APSU athletes use it pretty frequently to cross and there is nothing there to alert traffic that students may be crossing. As this is now a university street, the committee voted to install a crosswalk at this location.
4. In the spring 2019 the Parking Committee voted to install pay-by-plate pay machines in lots 28, 29 and 30 so that patrons visiting the downtown area who are not associated with Austin Peay, can utilize university parking. Parking in these lots will still be free for APSU permit holders. At the November 2019 meeting, the committee voted to install pay-by-plate machines in lot 26 as well for the same purpose.
5. A committee member suggested that the City of Clarksville consider removing a parking spot on 8<sup>th</sup> Street. The spot in question is next to the crosswalk closest to

Joseph Street (see attached photo). It has been brought to the committee's attention that pedestrians entering the crosswalk are often not visible to oncoming traffic when large trucks or SUVs are occupying that spot. There have been reports of pedestrians nearly being struck by vehicles traveling north on 8<sup>th</sup> Street. Removing this parking spot would make it safer for pedestrians entering the crosswalk.



Requested removal of this parking spot on 8th Street to increase visibility of pedestrians