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Common Council, City of Bloomington

## ORDINANCE 16-22

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# PARKING COMMISSION

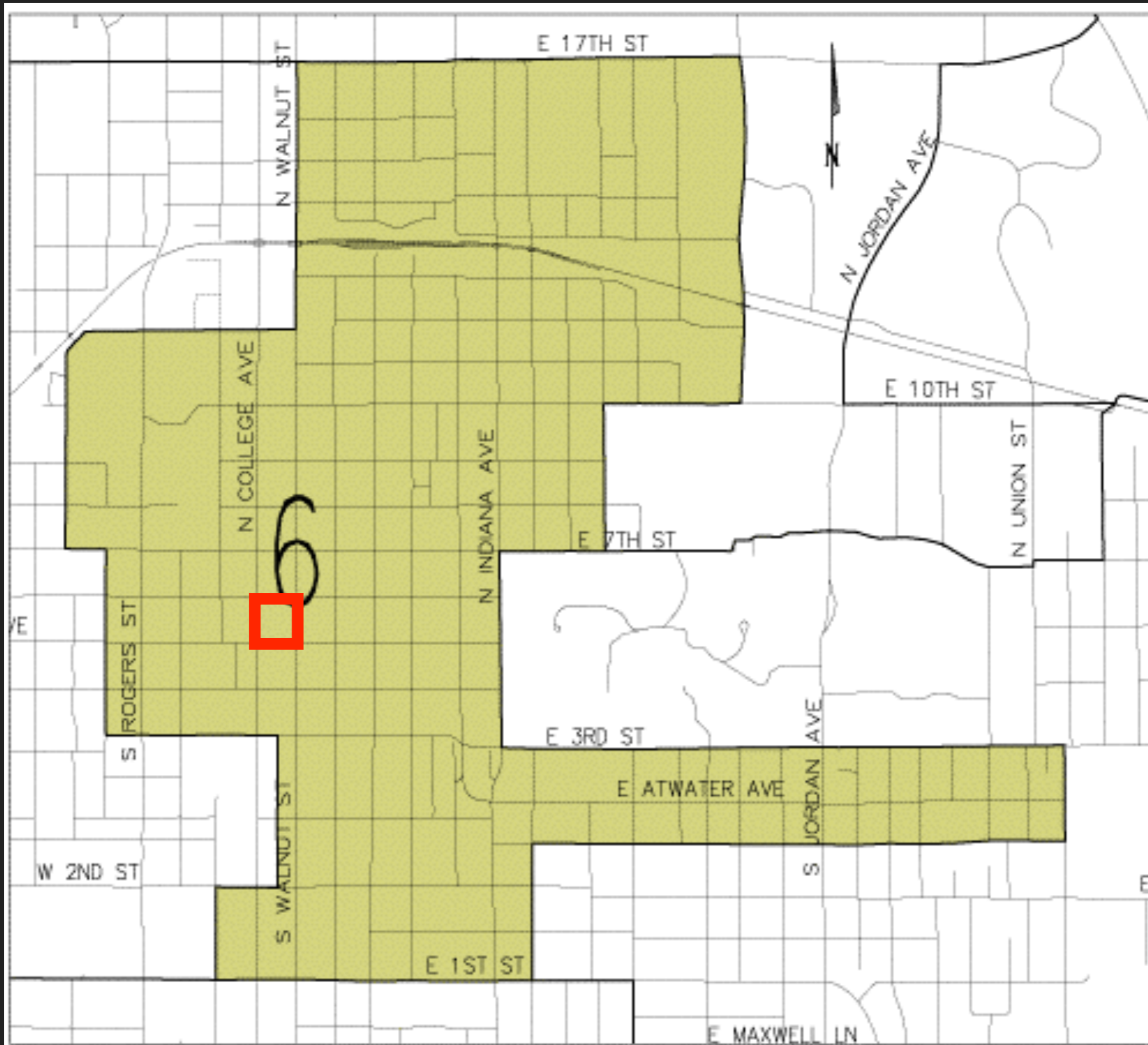
CM Volan, District VI, Sponsor

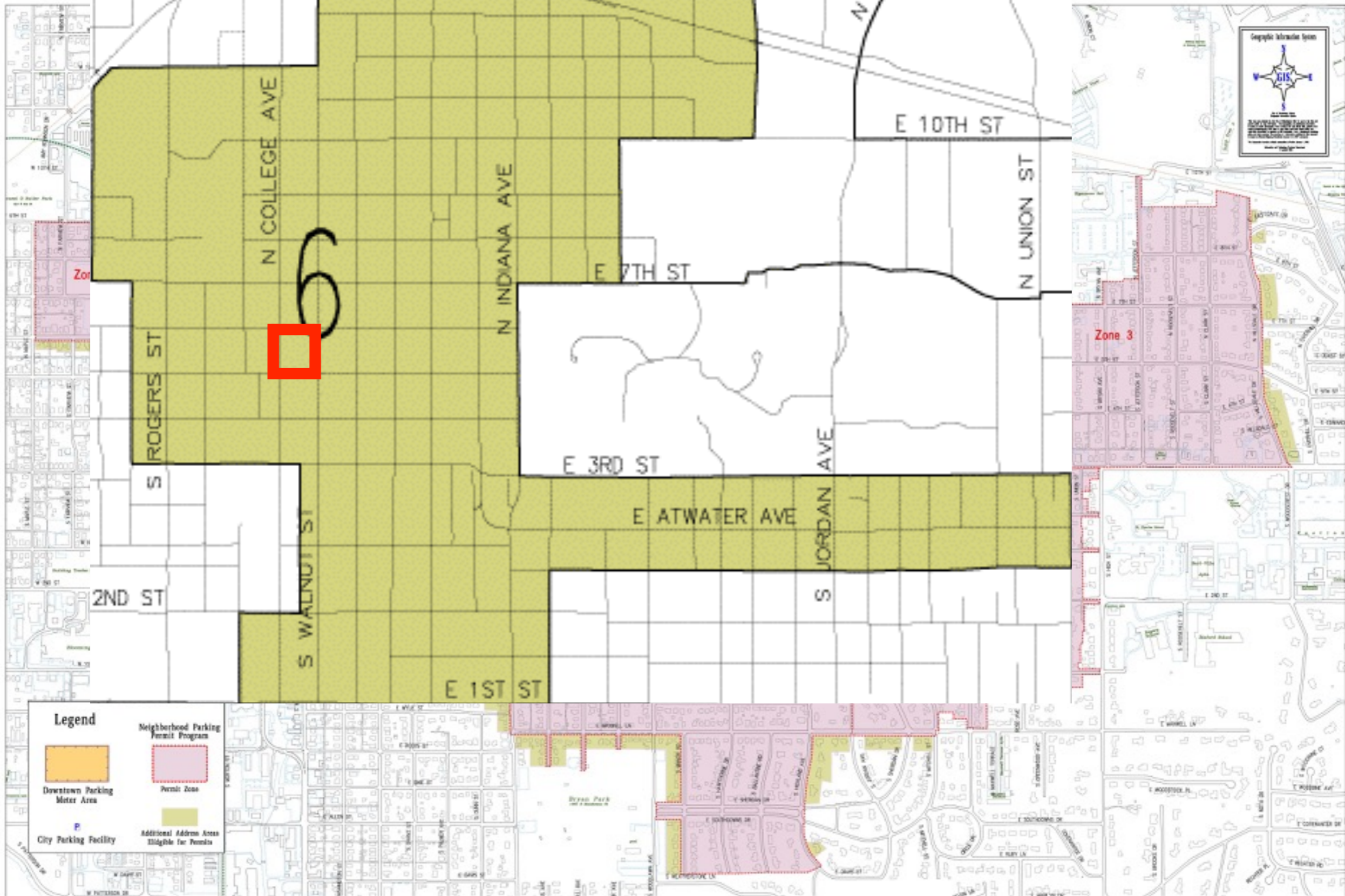
## PARKING HAS NO OBVIOUS POINT PERSON OR DEPARTMENT

- ▶ **CLERK:** parking ticket appeals
- ▶ **CONTROLLER:** revenue management
- ▶ **ECONOMIC & SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT:** policy
- ▶ **HOUSING & NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT:** policy
- ▶ **LEGAL:** policy
- ▶ **PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION:** policy
- ▶ **POLICE:** enforcement, collections
- ▶ **PUBLIC WORKS:** equipment & facilities

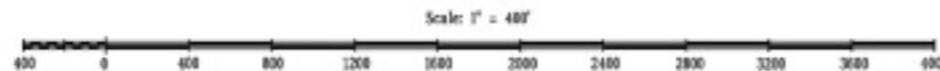
## **PARKING IS THE EXISTENTIAL ISSUE OF DISTRICT VI**

- ▶ Of 11 neighborhood parking zones
  - ▶ ...7 wholly are in District VI
  - ▶ ...2 more partially are in District VI
    - ▶ Working on one for Garden Hill: evenings, weekends
- ▶ All 14 municipal lots are in District VI
- ▶ All 3 city-owned garages are in District VI
- ▶ The entire parking meter zone is in District VI





City of Bloomington  
 Parking Enforcement  
 January 17, 2014



Neighborhood Residential Permit Parking Zones  
 and Downtown Meter Parking Area



PRIMARY GOAL

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**A COMPREHENSIVE  
WRITTEN POLICY ON  
PARKING**

# SEVEN PILLARS OF THE GROWTH POLICIES PLAN

## ▶ Compact Urban Form

- ▶ Parking lots are antithetical to compactness

## ▶ Nurture Environmental Integrity

- ▶ Parking vs trees, buildings, stormwater runoff

## ▶ Leverage Public Capital

- ▶ Parking facilities vs sidewalks, trails, public transit, bike parking

## ▶ Mitigate Traffic

- ▶ "Expand public transit, bike and led facilities; manage traffic"

## ▶ Conserve Community Character

- ▶ "protect neighborhoods, maintain Bloomington's historic character"

## ▶ Sustain Economic and Cultural Vibrancy

## ▶ Advance Communication and Coordination



## WHY THERE SHOULD BE A PARKING COMMISSION

- ▶ Would easily double Traffic Commission's workload
- ▶ TC's reason for existence: to consider issues concerning the movement of vehicles
- ▶ Parking Commission: to consider issues concerning the storage of vehicles:
  - ▶ REVENUES: parking generates several million \$/yr
  - ▶ ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: who should park where?
  - ▶ BUREAUCRACY: permits, tickets & appeals

## MODELED ON, BUT DIFFERENT FROM, TRAFFIC COMMISSION

- ▶ Traffic Commission: created in 1970s
- ▶ TC's purpose: "improve traffic conditions"
  - ▶ ...not to "mitigate traffic" as in the 2002 GPP
- ▶ Parking Commission's primary goal: to achieve the city's comprehensive plan objectives through parking policy
  - ▶ develop a written subplan on parking
  - ▶ would be subordinate to the GPP  
a la the Master Thoroughfare Plan

## COMPOSITION

- ▶ **TWO MERCHANTS**
  - ▶ with addresses in the meter zone
- ▶ **ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF A NOT-FOR-PROFIT**
  - ▶ that owns or leases space in the meter zone
- ▶ **FOUR CITY RESIDENTS**
  - ▶ one from meter zone; another from neighborhood zone
- ▶ **COUNCILMEMBER**
- ▶ **STAFFER FROM PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION**

## DUTIES

- ▶ REVIEW PERFORMANCE OF ALL FACILITIES
  - ▶ all meter, garage and lot usage data
  - ▶ parking tickets and appeals data
  - ▶ other statistics regarding services or enforcement
- ▶ PRODUCE ANNUAL REPORT
- ▶ MAKE REGULAR RECOMMENDATIONS
  - ▶ pricing, hours, location of spaces and neighborhood zones, bureaucratic concerns, and related matters



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