

FACILITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

Strategic Plan -- Solve Parking Needs

Throughout 2019, the KFL Facilities Committee devoted several meetings to the topic of the Strategic Plan objective: Solve Parking Needs. In addition to the discussion at the meetings, the committee and KFL staff solicited input from others and conducted a survey. The parking lot survey occurred the week of September 9 through September 14 (2019), which was augmented with observations at other times during the month. While this was only a week-long survey, when combined with the other observation the Committee was able to gain an understanding of the degree of our parking problem.

To generalize: Yes, KFL does have a problem with not enough parking spaces. However, the problem most often occurs when we have popular public events, particularly when there is more than one event going on at one time. To generalize, the Committee believes that there are ample parking spaces for patrons 90% of time the library is open; 10% of the time the parking lot is full, or almost full, and there is a need for more spaces.

Additional Measures

We coordinate with neighbors as best as possible to ensure we do not hold events at the same time.

Staff and Trustees do not park in the main library lot as often as possible to provide more space for patrons.

Patrons often suggest taking out the island in the parking lot to create more spaces. Due to the size of our lot a fire engine and other emergency vehicles would not have the necessary turning radius if parking spaces were drawn over the existing island.

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