

Community Forum Survey:

1. Are you a (please check one)*
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| Resident – 28 | *Results total higher than # of respondents due to the fact some are residents/owners or residents/employees |
| Business Owner – 10 | |
| Former Resident – 1 | |
| Employee – 2 | |

2. Do you think there is a parking problem?
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| Yes – 33 |
| No - 1 |
| No response - 1 |

3. Does parking affect your business?
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| Yes – 12 |
| Yes, affects home - 1 |
| No - 10 |
| No response – 12 |

If yes, in what way?

- ~Limits my street parking on weekends
- ~Friends & family must park & have parked blocks away from my house
- ~My tenants with monthly permit cannot find parking on certain times
- ~Limited area to park turns customers away/can't find parking to get to work on time
- ~Customers & employees need to park
- ~The "notion" that parking is limited can reduce the attendance/traffic of potential customers to our business
- ~No parking on Friday & Sat nights I can close at 6PM both nights; open till 10pm
- ~People are not willing to walk or wait
- ~Not a downtown biz
- ~Don't own a local business
- ~No place to park – no customers!
- ~When I leave my office to attend a biz meeting on Thurs & Fri I have a tough time getting back to my parking spot

4. Does parking affect your quality of life?
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| Yes - 16 |
| No - 16 |
| Yes & No – 1 |
| Some – 1 |
| No response - 1 |

If yes, in what way?

- ~Same as above (limits street parking) and loud people walk to their cars @ 2am
- ~Available parking for other businesses
- ~Hardship to load & unload my tools & materials to do repairs in my apartment bldg at 262 W. Troy
- ~Busy nights our driveway gets constantly blocked due to business from Anita's Kitchen and surrounding businesses
- ~Coming in late to work/not making enough money because people can't park
- ~Can't park to get to stores/bars
- ~We see it affect others
- ~Not us, but it affects others & we all need to work together
- ~Walking in the cold, sometimes a half block to a block away carrying bags and groceries, etc.
- ~I'm a walker, I will find a p. spot or walk to dtown

~Structure/shuttle

~Employee shuttle/Parking structure

6. What ideas do you have to resolve the parking situation? **Cont'd**

~Build a deck!

~Build a deck north behind BWWings on that lot

~Buy land, build a deck north of Nine Mile, west of Woodward

~?Not sure; I'm tempted to valet my car at Rosie's on Friday night because I live in the apt. bldg next door

~Help Mark @ Dollar Castle resolve interim parking problem

~Put off City capital improvements that do not generate revenue or improve quality of life until such a time that it is fiscally prudent

~Centrally located parking garage!! It's time for Ferndale to do more to accomodate our business patrons & bring their \$ to downtown Ferndale! We need to expand & grow!

~Parking structure – will bring income – pay for itself. Employees park in back rows of lots. For nearby residents parking permits only, residents would get one for each car plus several for guests

~Withington structure?

~Build a parking structure where Ashmore trucking used to be at which is empty now

~Perhaps – structure(s) avoid (1) LARGE overwhelming-non-organic-non-green perhaps. Over street walkways. *Hilton corridor needs attention for business

~Do not tax me. Do not raise fees. Shuttle your employees as they are taking up valuable parking spots. I will move before I pay for this parking structure. Also there are too many speeders on Troy St. on Thurs. & Fri. going to Rosie's. Assess a 1% tax on Rosie patrons. Parking funds have been comingled w/the general fund. STOP IT! Call Miler's Parking for an RFP – they are a private co. & anxious to make money. Get the median parking back!! Raise parking ticket fees to \$20! Lower the parking pass to biz owners

~Change parking – to no meter from 3am to 3pm and meters must be fed from 3pm to 2am. Basically free day time parking. Make available handicap parking permits for a fee, like \$50-\$75/a year. Some form of permit parking for resident who live within 1-2 blocks of 9 Mile business district. Limit non resident parking on downtown ring streets. If permits for resident also allow each resident 1-2 visitor parking permits. Any/all permits for parking should have a fee. Shuttle parking & transport for a fee for all special events using school parking lots for evenings & weekends. Could a business owner buy a house and turn the property into a parking lot for their employees?

~Allow apartment residents of Downtown (between Woodward & Allen) to park within reasonable distance of our home apartments

~Parking deck, parking passes should be reduced in cost for residents & business owners. Parking tickets should be increased to \$20 for those that ignore or let meters expire