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Jeff,

(1) Sat May 8th was used for the parking analysis. I believe it an outlier to the typical CB parking dilemma. PDX weather is probably a big driver of tourist volume. PDX high temp on May 8th was 61 degrees -- the lowest by far of any weekend day since (see diagram.) I assume future traffic analysis should be helping to calculate a quantity of future parking space needs - ?? (or how to avoid -- public transport, caps/permits regulating access.)

Good news = the dates used for the traffic analysis looked representative!

(2) Not including Tolovana Wayside and Ecola State Park in the parking analysis may have been short sighted. My guess is the Ecola (except for Indian Beach) has a very quick turnover -- and maybe a good pool of parking if a shuttle was available. I have no clue about Tolovana turnover -- my suspicion is it bi-modal (some stop & look, others park and stay all day.) Partnering with State Parks on passes, paid parking and parking config is a must!

(3) The alternative solutions have no mention of Haystack Hill or Neighborhood ROW parking. Both are worrisome. Neither seemed to be well addressed in the analysis - or the recommendations. There is also no mention of Elementary School property as an alternative - or considered in flow.

Neighborhood ROW parking is very inconsistent across 'all' of the city - some areas are no parking both sides, some are park on one side and no park on the other and some areas are park both sides. City wide consistency helps with visitor understanding. I would lean towards park one side, no park on the other. This means neighborhoods are only 1/2 surrounded by tourists. Much like neighborhoods sort of get a 1/2 break through the 14 day rule for short term rentals. I would prefer these slots used by employees whenever practical.

Haystack Hill is a open free for all -- several parking areas, nothing marked or managed. Pedestrians crossing everywhere. The view of Haystack Rock, Inspiration point are highly prized photo locations - and the stairs a popular access point to Haystack. We need a plan to meet these needs w/o parking up there. Trolley stop? Mini transport hub?

(4) I had sent a diagram of potential couplet and one way traffic loops back in June (avoid too many turning options.) Sandpoint adopted them years ago and it seems to work well for them

Randy

PS: is a City Hall/Police really the 'best use' of the Gower location? Would some commercial space and parking be a higher value use, long term? This space is the closest area to Haystack -- the most highly (or 2nd) coveted destination in Cannon Beach.