

## Comments of Rusty Sivils, addendum to Board meeting minutes

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The worst thing that any city can do for its quality of life is to make it easy and convenient for everyone to drive into town and park right beside their destination. We end up with a city choked with traffic congestion, air pollution and noise pollution. The FBFC is supposed to be a transformative force in our community and in our world. Is a parking deck consistent with this vision? And economically, if we consider only our economic self interest, as any other corporation would, how many years of parking in a space will it take to pay the X thousands of dollars it cost to build that space. In 2007 there was a measure on the ballot to give a 5% discount to anyone who did not park a vehicle in our parking lot. I will suggest that policy would be more cost effective, would more than pay for itself, in the money it would save in reducing the need to provide additional expensive parking spaces.

I would like to see the coop act like something other than a conventional capitalist corporation. Our members and other customers yearn for real alternatives to the capitalist economy .