

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY
FORTY-FOURTH SENATE
SESSION
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**RESOLUTION #4423
STUDENT OPINION UPON THE PROPOSED PARKING PLAN**

SPONSORED BY:	Phoenix Dugger, ASCSU Parliamentarian; Michelle Sogge, Senator, College of Health and Human Sciences; Luke Yeager, Senator, Intra-University; Yunus Ozekin, Senator, CVMBS; Andrei Gureu, Elections Manager; Lauren Wester, Deputy Chief of Staff; Rioux Jordan, Chief Justice; Mackenzie Whitesell, Director, Health;
WRITTEN BY:	Autumn Lee, Associate Senator, College of Liberal Arts; Peter James Seel, College of Engineering; Andrew Bondi, Associate Senator, Graduate School
ENDORSED BY:	

WHEREAS:

CSU is a Land Grant Institution founded upon the principle of access to a quality education; and,

WHEREAS:

The Associated Students of Colorado State University is the voice of all students, graduate and undergraduate, that attend Colorado State University (CSU); and,

WHEREAS:

The Department of Parking and Transportation Services (PTS) has been developing a Master Plan for parking across CSU and has requested feedback and response from various organizations such as the Faculty Council, the State-Classified Council, the Administrative Professional Council, and the Associated Students of Colorado State University; and,

WHEREAS:

Parking is an essential component to the academic and professional experiences of all students, faculty, and staff at CSU; and,

WHEREAS:

The City of Fort Collins is rapidly removing the ability of non-residents to park on the side streets surrounding CSU, there will be few places left for students, faculty, and staff to park that are close to the main campus, but not on the main campus; and,

WHEREAS:

Over the course of the next 5 years CSU will lose 400 parking spots due to the construction of a new On-Campus Football Stadium, a Biology Building, a Chemistry Building, a new Health Center, and an Animal Sciences Building extension; and,

WHEREAS:

Additional parking along Lake Street will be lost for the purpose of traffic flow during the aforementioned construction; and,

WHEREAS:

Most of the parking spots being lost are located relatively near the core of campus and are essential to the well-being and safe access of faculty, staff and students of this university; and,

WHEREAS:

The 'replacements' for the parking spots being lost are to be large parking garages, that have not been built, on the periphery of the main campus and new surface level parking near south campus; and,

WHEREAS:

The safety of students, faculty, and staff on the CSU campus is paramount, and there is a severe lack of the necessary infrastructure such as phones, lighting, sidewalks, patrols, and bike lanes to ensure safe travel from the proposed 'replacement' parking spots at all times of the day; and,

WHEREAS:

It has been proposed by PTS that all CSU parking lots be enforced 24/7 during the entire school year; and,

WHEREAS:

It has also been proposed by PTS that evening permits become mandatory for all areas of campus; and,

WHEREAS:

Lower income students who cannot afford evening permits would require extended hours of operation for Transfort busses to access campus; and,

WHEREAS:

The Associated Students of Colorado State University would have sincerely preferred PTS to have included student leaders in their initial development of the proposed parking plan; so,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:

That the Associated Students of Colorado State University, on behalf of the students of CSU, expresses formal disapproval for the proposed parking plan by PTS due to the detrimental impact it will have on students; and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the Associated Students of Colorado State University decries the idea of 24/7 parking enforcement due to the impact on academic accessibility; and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED:

Resources for Disabled Students and students with disabilities, and their respective groups, should have a strong presence to speak for those with disabilities to maintain accessible parking spaces in the center of campus; and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED:

We suggest that the pace of change moving away from the core of campus be slowed until alternative transportation is more adequate to cope with long-term change. This should include increased bus access as well as improved infrastructure to promote safety; and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the Associated Students of Colorado State University requests to have access to decisions being made about the Hartshorn lot; and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the Associated Students of Colorado State University strongly protests removing Lake Street as a parking option for the students, faculty and staff of CSU; and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED:

For greater utility in pay-to-park, switching to a model with variable prices by time, location, and capacity which would benefit the campus as a whole; and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED:

That further discussions be had regarding the Tiered Parking System and its effectivity for the campus; and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED:

If the plan to move towards a year-round permit continues, the University should determine a program which is fair to students whose vast majority of time spent at CSU is during the Fall and Spring semesters; and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the Associated Students of Colorado State University is committed to working to create sustainable solutions for the future of the campus and participate in the discussion in how to establish a model transportation and parking system which benefits the university and the students, faculty, and staff who attend it; and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED:

That a copy of this legislation be forwarded to Dr. Anthony Frank, President, CSU; the CSU Board of Governors; Dr. Henry Miranda, Provost; David Bradford, Director, PTS; Doug Mayhew, Associate Director, PTS; Aaron Fodge, Alternative Transportation Manager, PTS; Dr. Mary Stromberger, Chair, Faculty Council; Dr. Jennifer Aberle, Chair, Non-Tenure Track Faculty; Dr. Stephanie Clemons, Chair, Committee on Teaching and Learning; Dr. Robert Keller, Professor, Economics; the CSU Council of Deans; the CSU Faculty Council; the Parking Services Committee; Steve Hultin, Director of Facilities; Rose Kreston, Director of Resources of Disabled Students; Samantha Guinn, President, Associated Students of CSU; Lance Li Puma, Vice-President, Associated Students Colorado States University; and the Rocky Mountain Collegian.

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