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### Council Members Tasked with Review of Downtown Parking

**Wheeling, WV** – Members of Wheeling City Council will meet on Wednesday, April 6, to begin reviewing all parking in the downtown area. The public meeting will be held in Council Chambers at 12:00 p.m.

Mayor Andy McKenzie created the ad hoc committee and assigned Councilman Ken Imer as chair of the group. Vice Mayor Gene Fahey and Councilmen Don Atkinson and David Miller are also serving on the committee. They have been asked to prepare a report for all of City Council by May 13.

“Downtown Wheeling is changing, and as a result, the demands on our existing infrastructure are increasing,” Mayor McKenzie explained. “With businesses adding to their workforce and expanding their downtown footprint, we need to be sure we’re making the best use of our parking options to meet everyone’s needs.”

The parking committee is tasked with assessing all parking in Downtown Wheeling, including public and private lots and garages, as well as on-street metered parking. One goal is to identify repairs needed to City-owned parking areas. Additionally, the group will consider ways to improve parking arrangements for the Wheeling Police Department. The report will help City of Wheeling officials provide safe, quality, convenient, and efficient parking for downtown.

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