



## The Tybee Parking Dilemma

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- Limited amounts of parking available during the “busy” season.
  - ▣ Not an issue from mid-October through April of each year
- Location of current parking is perceived to be heavily located on one end of the island.
  - ▣ South End vs. North End

# Local Population

- **Currently, there are 1,522 persons per square mile within the City of Tybee Island (2.56 square miles)**
- **By comparison:**
  - ▣ **Savannah-1,803 persons per square mile**
  - ▣ **Macon-1,659 persons per square mile**
  - ▣ **Hilton Head Island-804 persons per square mile**
  - ▣ **Brunswick-948 persons per square mile**

# Issues Facing Parking

- ❑ **“Busy” season weekend traffic counts can reach over 25,000 cars entering the island during a three-day span.**
- ❑ **As of August 2010, there are 2,121 public parking spaces located within the City.**
- ❑ **Special Events that utilize entire city parking lots for their respective special events**
- ❑ **Enforcement issues**

# Underfunded

Congested  
Chaotic  
Adversarial  
Adequate  
Cumbersome  
Poor  
Anti-Business  
Seasonal  
None  
Quirky  
Antiquated  
Scarce  
Nightmare  
Resourceful  
Tricky  
Expensive  
Necessary  
Confusing  
Profitable  
Inadequate  
Dysfunctional  
Limited  
Challenging  
Shortage  
Costly  
Aggravating  
Premium  
Tight  
Lacking  
Bizarre  
Interesting  
Headache  
Income

# Ongoing

- **For several years, various agencies and organizations have attempted to pool resources to find a solution to the parking concerns that arise during the summer season. (COTI, Local Business Organizations, etc.)**
- **Proposed ideas:**
  - **Parking Garage (s)**
  - **Private Parking Lots**
  - **Special Event Parking**
  - **Shuttle/Mass Transit Systems**

# What has been done?

- ❑ **The City of Tybee Island has formed a Parking Committee to assist the City in addressing parking related issues.**
  - ❑ **Committee meets each month**
  - ❑ **Committee consists of staff members and Council representatives**
  - ❑ **Handles parking related issues dealing with special events, busy season, parking lots, etc.**

# What Has Been Done?

- ❑ In the summer of 2010, the City of Tybee Island commissioned a parking study to be conducted.
- ❑ Parking Study involved the counting of each individual public parking space located on Tybee
- ❑ Total was 2,121 parking spaces
- ❑ Data will be presented to the City Council in the form of a GIS presentation during a future meeting.

# Areas to be Addressed

Shuttle

Master Plan for  
Parking

Parking

Locations

Pollution

# Shuttle/Transit

Mass Transit to  
Tybee

Off Island  
Parking Solutions

Shuttle

Who Will Fund?

Tourism Efforts

# Locations

Off Island

Private Parking  
Lots

Locations

Inventory of  
Public Parking

Special Events

# Pollution

Noise

Signage

Pollution

Emissions Output

Concentration of  
Parking Around Beach

# Parking Master Plan

Attainable Goals

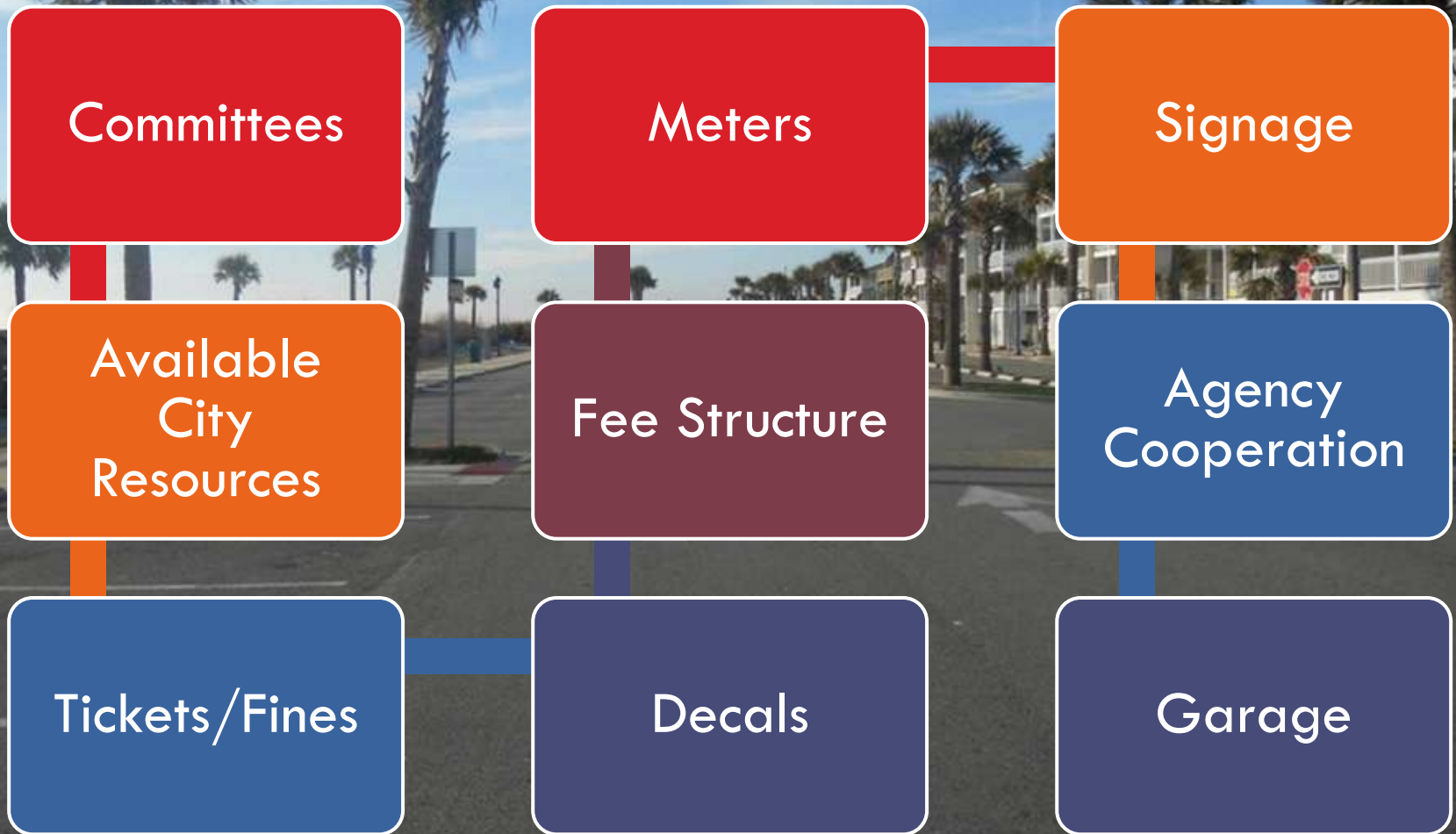
Tax-Payer Program  
Support

Master Plan

Residents vs. Visitors  
vs. Businesses

Not Just the City

# General Areas of Concern



# Solutions?

- Parking Garage
- Property Acquisitions
- Requiring special events that close city lots to provide a shuttle during the time that the lot is to be closed
- Mass Transit
- Toll Booth