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Unfortunately, during the summit itself, there were very few connections that were made. Staff did capture all the comments and they are compiled in a list (Attachment E) and categorized into the following categories; Data, Pricing, Management, Management/Parking Plan, and Behavior/Perception. These comments will be useful moving forward with the Town's parking plan scheduled to begin this fall.

As an interim step, while the Town works toward a comprehensive parking plan, town staff is requesting the Board to consider allowing staff to assess existing Town leased lots to determine to what extent they are used by employees or customers and consider leasing spaces to employers/employees during employee peak demand, which is Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. This would leave the Town's parking lots open and available for nights and weekends free to the public.

A current inventory of public parking spaces is provided in Attachment B.

A preliminary survey of employee parking needs for downtown businesses has provided the following information. (Full survey results are available in Attachment C). Twenty-eight downtown businesses (including two Town of Carrboro departments) responded to the survey. Of those responding, 20 stated that they provided on-site parking for their employees. Of the 8 that did not provide on-site parking, 3 stated that they had shared parking agreements with another business. 7 of the 8 businesses that do not provide on-site parking for employees utilize public parking lots for their employees. The total number of employees reported to park off-site was 94, of which 64 reported to use public parking. A map of the businesses that responded to the survey is included as Attachment D.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: There is no fiscal impact related to the discussion of this topic. Staff impact will vary based on what direction is given by the Board of Aldermen. The Town could realize a financial gain if some of the Town lots could be leased to private employees/employers. Implementation and management of a parking permit system will take considerable staff time that is currently not planned.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Board of Aldermen consider adopting the attached resolution.