Parking Ideas

We’d like to thank everyone who brought forward many ideas and suggestions for parking. The following is a summary of several avenues which we will be discussing with Transportation Services (TS). These could be taken up as standalone solutions or in tandem with one another, based on how its deemed feasible. If there is anything other than these that you’d want, please let us know at gsg@mtu.edu and we’ll take it up.

1. Tiered parking permit system - differential permit costs based on
   a. location on core campus
   b. Reserved / preferential allocation

2. Build ecosystem to support parking at lots farther away from core campus. Which includes
   a. Reworked permits costs for said lots
   b. Reliable, timely, bus/shuttle system between lots and core campus (w/ off-hours as well)
   c. Real-time tracking of said bus/shuttle
   d. Bus stops/structures at lots for said bus/shuttle, w/plans to eventually have
      i. campus wi-fi connection
      ii. Heat

3. Modifications in “real-estate”
   a. Core-campus
      i. Relook in the metered spot allocations in several lots (already begun)
      ii. Cliff drive modification for angled parking (already in process)
      iii. Reallocate motor pool vans parking area as parking lot (already in process)
   b. Off-campus
      i. Possibility of lot on Garnet St

4. Involve local business(es) and city
   a. The initial thoughts behind this is to park in the lots in the West Houghton business areas (Econo/Shopko/Walmart etc).
   b. Establish a supporting ecosystem - shuttle, bus stops/structures, real-time tracking - the works.
   c. Free/subsidized permits

5. Real-time parking lot information
   a. spot availability information online/app etc