

CITY OF MACKINAC ISLAND

AGENDA

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, February 26, 2025 at 10:00 AM

City Hall – Council Chambers, 7358 Market St., Mackinac Island, Michigan

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Additions to / Adoption of Agenda

V. Correspondence

[a.](#) Letter from Vince Reuter, Hoffmann Marine

VI. Old Business

[a.](#) Arnold Transit 2025 Proposed Parking Rates

[b.](#) Shepler's 2025 Proposed Parking Rates

VII. Old Business

a. Request for approval to enter in to closed session to discuss a written confidential attorney-client privileged opinion

VIII. Miscellaneous / General Council Discussion / Additional Agenda Items

IX. Adjournment



Vince C. Reuter
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February 25, 2025

VIA E-MAIL ONLY

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***Re: Shepler’s Ferry’s and Arnold Transit’s Parking Services –
Response to Your Letter Dated February 24, 2025***

Dear Ms. Evashevski,

The undersigned and Eckland & Blando LLP represent Shepler’s Ferry and Starline Mackinac Island Passenger Service d/b/a Arnold Transport Company. This letter responds to yours addressed to Hoffmann Marine dated February 24, 2025, and it constitutes my clients’ response and position regarding your “formal notice of the city council’s decision and demand.”

The city council has no legal authority over my clients’ respective parking business and thus its vote on February 19, 2025 has no legal effect. Both Shepler’s Ferry and Arnold Transport are private companies and have the right to operate their parking businesses without your client’s intrusion. In turn, please know that my clients will not “remove all reference to the unapproved parking rates from their websites, other distributions, and advertisements,” nor will they “send the council the parking rates used ... for the 2023 and 2024 seasons with lot locations and capacities.”

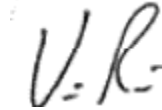
As I stated during the recent meeting, Shepler’s Ferry and Arnold Transport remain committed to working with the city council related to ferry services, thus allowing them to continue providing the most efficient and safest services possible. But our clients’ relationship also has firm limits. One limitation is that the City of Mackinac Island has no jurisdiction or authority over my clients’ property and business in Mackinaw City and St. Ignace. The city council’s repeated and very public statements regarding an alleged “monopoly” are also both unhelpful and untrue.

Erin K. Evashevski, Esq.
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We understand that you have a different legal position related to your client's notice and demand. In the interest of resolving all issues, please provide us with that position by the close of business on February 27, 2025.

Kindest regards,



Vince C. Reuter

cc: Michael E. Cavanaugh, Esq.
Amy Cline, Esq.

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By: D. Leach

2025 Arnold Transit Company Parking Rates

St. Ignace

Day Parking	\$10.00/day
Overnight Standard Off-Site Parking.....	\$20.00/day
Overnight Premium Dockside Parking.....	\$40.00/day

Mackinaw City

Day Parking	\$10.00/day
Overnight Standard Off-Site Parking.....	\$20.00/day
Overnight Premium Dockside Parking.....	\$40.00/day

Valet St. Ignace and Mackinaw City.....\$65.00/day

Seasonal Parking St Ignace & Mackinaw City

Self Park Unsecured	\$500
Self Park Reserved & Secured.....	\$700
Outdoor Valet.....	\$900
Indoor Valet.....	\$1200

Commuter Self Park Daily Outdoor Parking.....FREE

You must have a season pass or commuter pass and visit our office and register prior to parking in the commuter lots. You will be issued a sticker to display in the front window of your vehicle. These lots will be for day parking ONLY.

Motorhome/Camper/Vehicle with Trailer

Off-site.....	\$50.00/night
On-site.....	\$100.00/night

Car Delivery to or from St Ignace (includes bridge fare).....\$100

City Clerk

From: Erin Evashevski <erinevashevskilaw@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 4, 2025 11:45 AM
To: City Clerk
Subject: Fwd: 2025 Ferry Schedules and parking rates
Attachments: 2025 ATCo Parking Rates 2325.pdf; ATCo Schedules 2025.pdf; Shepler's 2025 Ferry Schedule.pdf; 2025 Parking Fees Updated 2.3.25.pdf

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Bradshaw, Jean Paul <jeanpaul.bradshaw@lathropgpm.com>
Date: Monday, February 3, 2025
Subject: 2025 Ferry Schedules and parking rates
To: Erin Evashevski <erinevashevskilaw@gmail.com>

Erin - In the interest of continuing communication between the parties, I have attached the 2025 Season Schedules for Shepler's Mackinac Island Ferry and Arnold Transit Company, as well as the 2025 Regular Season parking rates for each of the companies and ask that you forward them to the City. Although the City has no right under the Franchise Agreements of approval of the schedule and parking rates, the companies have provided this information to the City as a part of their obligation to provide a schedule of services and rates. The fares being charged for transport have not changed from 2024. The companies understood from the last council meeting that the City preferred communications to come from me to you, so let me know if you or the City have any questions. I understand there is a council meeting scheduled for this Wednesday, February 5. The companies do not intend to have anyone present at the meeting, but I will attend remotely. Happy to get on a call and discuss any of this further. Thanks.



Jean Paul Bradshaw, II
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**Updated 2/3/25

2025 SHEPLER'S SEASONAL & OVERNIGHT PARKING FEES

Mackinaw City

Overnight Indoor \$1,175 No valet

Overnight Outdoor \$715 No valet

Daily Outdoor \$300 No valet

St. Ignace

Overnight Indoor \$1,470 No valet

Overnight Outdoor \$715 No Valet

Daily Outdoor \$300 No valet

Winter Seasonal Parking - (SI only) Please transfer calls to the St. Ignace office.

Mackinaw City Parking

Day Parking	\$10.00/day
Overnight Premium On-site Parking	\$45.00/night
Overnight Standard Off-Site Parking CCC	\$20.00/night
<i>Indoor Parking</i>	<i>Not Available</i>

St. Ignace Parking

Day Parking	\$10.00/day
Overnight Premium On-Site Parking	\$45.00/night
Overnight Standard Off-Site Parking	\$20.00/night
<i>Indoor Parking</i>	<i>\$70.00/night</i>

Miscellaneous Charges

Motorcycle Indoor (SI ONLY) \$70.00 day or night

Motorhome/Camper/ Vehicle with trailer

Off-Site (MC / SI)	\$50.00/night	Flat Fee
On-Site (SI ONLY)	\$100.00/night	Flat Fee

Car Delivery to or from St. Ignace

\$100.00 - Includes Bridge Fare

