



SENATE RESOLUTION #3069

TITLE: **ASUW Supports Expanding the Availability and Accessibility of Student Parking at the University of Wyoming**

DATE INTRODUCED: **11/14/2025**

AUTHOR: **Chief of Staff Hargett; Senator Smith**


SPONSORS: **President Medina, Vice President McGuire, Director of Student Organizations Elwood, Director of Finance Toner; Senators Cooper, Golden, Hansen, Hathaway, Kaiser, Keasling, Khan, Morales, Moore, and Robinson; First-Year Senator Martinez**

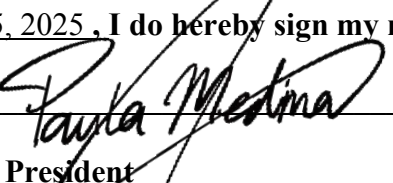
1. WHEREAS, the purpose of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
2. (ASUW) is to serve our fellow students in the best manner possible; and,
3. WHEREAS, parking availability and accessibility are consistently reported concerns for
4. students attending the University of Wyoming; and,
5. WHEREAS, these concerns have been repeatedly highlighted in the ASUW Student
6. Issues Surveys, such as those conducted in Spring 2022, Spring 2024, and Fall 2024
7. (Addendums A, B, and C), demonstrating that parking challenges transcend ASUW
8. administrations; and,
9. WHEREAS, the lack of sufficient and accessible parking options has been identified as a
10. notable accessibility concern, particularly for students with disabilities (Addendum B);
11. and,
12. WHEREAS, despite ongoing calls from students urging University administration to
13. address these parking challenges, recent administrative actions, such as the removal of
14. Union parking, have further limited parking availability and have been met
15. with substantial student discontent (Addendum A); and,

Passed with Unanimous Consent

16. WHEREAS, ASUW has historically demonstrated support for necessary actions to be
17. taken to increase the accessibility and availability of parking on campus, as demonstrated
18. by Senate Resolution 2844 (Addendum D).
19. THEREFORE, be it resolved that ASUW reaffirms its commitment to addressing student
20. concerns with parking; and,
21. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that ASUW supports efforts to expand affordable
22. parking options available to students near populated classroom buildings and university
23. facilities (e.g. Half Acre, Coe Library, etc.); and,
24. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that ASUW supports the creation of the 15th Street
25. parking garage as is reflected in the University of Wyoming Masterplan (Addendum E),
26. though notes the importance of exploring more affordable options for students; and,
27. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that upon passage of this resolution, copies of this
28. resolution be provided to the President of the University of Wyoming, interested
29. members of the Wyoming State Legislature, the University of Wyoming Board of
30. Trustees, and University of Wyoming Transportation Services.

Referred to: SWAC & TASFRC

Date of
Passage: November 25, 2025 **Signed:** 
(ASUW Chairperson)

“Being enacted on November 25, 2025, **I do hereby sign my name hereto and approve this**
Senate action.” 
ASUW President

ADDENDUM A

Student Issues Survey – Fall 2022

Student Parking and Transportation

Summary

The parking and transportation portion of the ASUW Fall Issues Survey opened on Wednesday, September 7th and has received feedback from over 1,315 students. We acknowledge this feedback is limited, but are confident it is a representation of student concerns across campus.

Beginning at Question 39 of the student issues survey, 51.69% of students at UW knew that the Union Parking lot would be removed in December of this year to be turned into a green space. 48.31% of students were not aware of this plan.

The results of the union parking lot being removed will have a severe impact on 326 (29.85%) students that attend UW. Students have shared their own comments about this parking lot being removed and ASUW recognizes student comments regarding the removal of the union parking lot.

Students were asked what mode of transportation they used most often to travel to campus. A majority of students (32.35%) responded that they use their vehicles to get to campus on the s on a daily. Followed by 31.43% of students walking, 17.10% using campus buses, 11.67% riding their bike, 4.96% using alternate means of transportation, and 2.48% utilizing carpooling.

Students were asked what modes of transportation they use to travel to campus for extracurricular activities. 64.60% of individuals responded that they use their personal vehicles to travel to campus for extracurricular activities.

Students were asked if they utilized parking permits on campus, 57.61% of students utilize parking permits that are provided from the City of Laramie and UW—these range from different colored parking permits and vehicle parking areas. Students provided additional information on why they do not have or need a parking permit on campus.

Concerning transportation via safe ride, most students (31.94%) know what Safe Ride is but have not utilized it. Students then had the opportunity to share their particular concerns and comments on different matters and comments including transportation and parking at UW.

Starting in December of this year, the main Union parking lot will be taken offline in order to begin construction of a new green space. Were you aware of this plan before the release of this survey?

#	Field	Choice Count	
1	Yes	51.69%	565
2	No	48.31%	528

To what degree will the removal of this parking lot (union parking) impact your ability to travel to campus?

#	Field	Choice Count	
1	No impact at all	22.07%	241
2	Minimal Impact	23.17%	253
3	Moderate Impact	24.91%	272

Passed with Unanimous Consent

4	Severe Impact	29.85%	326
---	---------------	--------	-----

<i>What mode of transportation do you use most often to travel to campus?</i>			
#	Field	Choice Count	
1	UW Busses	17.10%	186
2	Personal Vehicle	32.35%	352
3	Bicycle	11.67%	127
4	Walking	31.43%	342
5	Carpooling	2.48%	27
6	Other:	4.96%	54

<i>What mode of transportation do you use most often to travel to campus for extracurricular activities that occur outside of business hours? (e.g. Club meetings, campus events like Trivia Night, etc.)</i>			
#	Field	Choice Count	
1	UW Busses	1.02%	11
2	Personal Vehicle	64.60%	697
3	Bicycle	7.69%	83
4	Walking	20.57%	222
5	Carpooling	3.71%	40
6	SafeRide	0.93%	10
7	Other	1.48%	16

<i>Do you currently have a parking pass for the 2022-2023 Academic Year? If so, which type of permit do you have?</i>			
#	Field	Choice Count	
1	Green Permit	28.73%	183
2	Electric Plug-in Permit	0.31%	2
3	Purple Permit	6.28%	40
4	Motorcycle Permit	0.47%	3
5	Orange Zone 202 Permit	11.93%	76
6	Red Permit	2.67%	17
7	CITY OF LARAMIE parking permit	7.22%	46
8	Other	42.39%	270

ADDENDUM B

Student Issues Survey - Spring 2024

Q31: “ASUW is unable to host a town hall with President Seidel this semester, however, please write down any questions you would like ASUW to pass over to President Seidel?”

Questions are organized into categories with some specific examples included for each. For the full list of questions, contact the ASUW President.

Parking Issues (~19%)

Many respondents expressed concerns about the lack of parking on campus, the removal of existing parking lots, and the impact of construction projects on parking availability.

- “Why is it that the university has known about parking being an issue for a while and they are still removing places students can park at?”
- “Are there any plans to increase parking options around campus?”
- “Is the University truly doing what it can to support commuting students during this time of construction? What about students who have to travel across campus for classes and activities and now have only one place to safely walk, no ability to drive themselves, and increased length of bus rides, not to mention lack of parking. Has any of the administration actually ridden on a bus or walked across campus?”

Q33: “What are some small-scale projects you would like to see ASUW pursue? Examples could be a free business professional clothing closet, ensuring icy sidewalks are addressed, etc.”

Responses are broken down by category. Dealing with icy sidewalks/sidewalk maintenance was the most popular response. Following is a breakdown of all the categories of responses.

1. Addressing icy/poorly maintained sidewalks (~45% of responses)
 2. Free professional clothing closet (~25% of responses)
 3. Improving parking availability/access (~20% of responses)
 4. Expanding/improving food pantry (~10% of responses)
 5. More social events/activities (~10% of responses)
 6. Enhancing resources for underrepresented groups (LGBTQ+, international, disabled, etc.) (~5% of responses)
 7. Better bus routes/transportation (~5% of responses)
-
8. Lighting improvements (~3% of responses)
 9. Ensuring accessibility for mobility issues (~3% of responses)
 10. Promoting sustainability initiatives (~2% of responses)
 11. Providing basic amenities like free feminine products (~2% of responses)

Q12: "What do you feel the campus needs to do to increase Disability Awareness?"

ffice on the web Frame

Overall, the responses indicate a need for greater physical access, stronger institutional support and education around disabilities, improved resources, and a campus-wide commitment to creating a truly inclusive environment for all students with disabilities. Here are the categories of responses organized by frequency:

1. Infrastructure and Accessibility (~32%)
 - Many respondents emphasized the need for improved infrastructure, such as ensuring all elevators are operational, maintaining accessible pathways, and increasing wheelchair-accessible buildings and parking options.

ADDENDUM C

Student Issues Survey – Fall 2024

The third question had a much wider scope of answers. This question targeted how UW can help students be more successful overall. The most popular answer, taking roughly 35% of total responses, was to create more opportunities for students to connect different entities across campus and to implement more programs to help students with things such as health insurance, tutoring, safety on campus, dining options, etc. Roughly 21% of students also commented on wanting to see an improvement in current programs to make them more accessible, especially for grad students. The next common line of responses targeted improving different facilities and buildings across campus, including parking. As well as bringing back DEI resources and assistance for marginalized groups on campus.

ADDENDUM D

PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY



SENATE RESOLUTION #2844

TITLE: ASUW Recommendations for UW Parking & Transportation and Work of the ASUW Ad-Hoc Parking Committee

DATE INTRODUCED: November 29, 2022

AUTHORS: President Brown, Vice President Swilling, Director Hedkins

SPONSORS: Senators Almenjo-Ponce, Engelby, Ewalt, and McLean

1. WHEREAS, the purpose of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
2. (ASUW) Student Government is to serve our fellow students in the best manner
3. possible; and,
4. WHEREAS, the University of Wyoming (UW) is currently experiencing significant
5. changes to parking on campus, most notably with the impending closure of the parking
6. lots east of the Wyoming Union, McWhinnie Hall, and Half Acre and the creation of a
7. new 375-space Iverson Parking Garage; and,
8. WHEREAS, UW conducted a parking survey in 2018 that revealed that 63.15%
9. of respondents report that finding convenient parking is their biggest concern with their
10. commute, and in total 89.50% of respondents reported that creating more parking should
11. be one of the top three priorities for UW over the next ten years; and,
12. WHEREAS, four years later the ASUW fall 2022 student issues survey, as shown in
13. Addendum C, found that 32.35% of students use their personal vehicle to get to campus
14. daily and 64.60% of individuals responded that they use their personal vehicles to travel
15. to campus for extracurricular activities; and,

Passed with Unanimous Consent

PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY

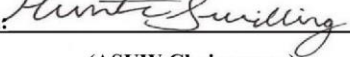
16. WHEREAS, the survey also found that 29.85% of respondents believe that the removal
17. of the Union parking lot will have a severe impact on them, and an additional 24.91%
18. believe it will have a moderate impact; and,
19. WHEREAS, multiple students also shared their comments about this parking lot being
20. removed; and,
21. WHEREAS, these two surveys show that parking has been a top concern of students for
22. many years; and,
23. WHEREAS, there is currently relatively limited information easily available to students
24. regarding the changes to the parking situation, as shown in Addendum D, and beyond
25. campus announcements, relatively little has been done to proactively inform students on
26. these impending changes; and,
27. WHEREAS, to address student concerns and ensure student voice is represented ASUW
28. President Allison Brown created the Ad Hoc Parking Committee in August 2022; and,
29. WHEREAS, background information on this committee is available in Addendum B;
30. and,
31. WHEREAS, this committee was primarily tasked with addressing parking concerns by
32. “developing deliverables surrounding the cost of parking passes/parking garages, street
33. parking, and campus bus transportation among other innovative solutions;” and,
34. WHEREAS, this committee has done just that, holding weekly meetings, discussing
35. with multiple administrators, and writing a statement for the UW Board of Trustees that
36. President Brown read aloud at the November 2022 meeting that shares some thoughts
37. on parking; and,
38. WHEREAS, after these extensive discussions, the committee came up with a list of

Passed with Unanimous Consent


PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY

39. practical and imminently achievable ideas for addressing some issues that may come up
40. with the removal of the three parking lots east of the Wyoming Union, McWhinnie Hall,
41. and Half Acre; and,
42. WHEREAS, these recommendations in full are shown in Addendum A.
43. THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
44. (ASUW) Student Government that Addendum A be adopted as official ASUW
45. recommendations to the UW Board of Trustees and UW Administration; and,
46. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that ASUW also recommends that more
47. information be put on the UW website sharing upcoming changes on parking, and that
48. more effort be made to communicate these upcoming changes to students beyond
49. emailed campus announcements; and,
50. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that this resolution shall be sent to the UW Board
51. of Trustees, President Seidel, and Director of Transportation Services Kunkel.

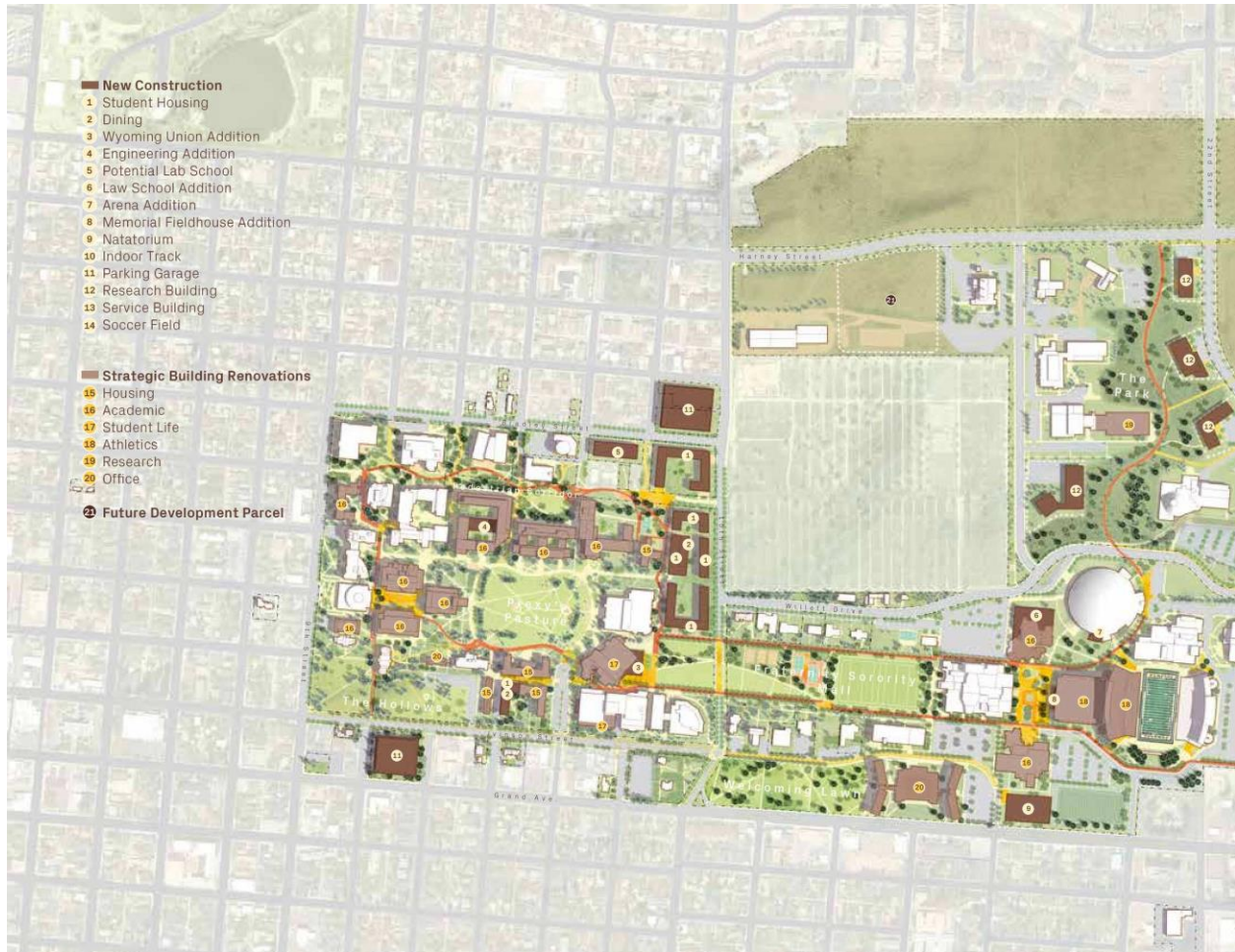
Referred to: Ad Hoc Parking; Advocacy, Diversity, and Policy; Outreach,
Programming, and Elections

Date of Passage: December, 6th 2022 Signed: 
(ASUW Chairperson)

“Being enacted on December, 6th 2022, I do hereby sign my name hereto

and approve this Senate action.” 
ASUW President

ADDENDUM E



Passed with Unanimous Consent