

CITY OF NEWTON

IN CITY COUNCIL

TRAFFIC COUNCIL ACTIONS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2023

Note: Below is a summary of Traffic Council actions only. A full meeting report summarizing the Council's discussion and public testimony regarding each agenda item will be posted on the City website within two weeks following the above meeting date.

Voting Members Present: Captain Doucette, (Police), Councilor Downs, Mitchell Fischman (resident), David Koses (DPW) and Isaac Prizant (DPW)

Also Present: Councilors Bowman, Lucas and Malakie; Jeremy Freudberg, Alternate Resident Traffic Member

City Staff: Jini Fairley, ADA Coordinator; Scott Matthews, Committee Clerk

TC52-23 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to remove the accessible parking space at 144 Webster Street from the TPR, as it may no longer be needed. (Ward 2) [09/07/23 @ 12:30 PM]

ACTION: **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 906. This item may be appealed through the close of business November 15, 2023.**

TC53-23 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to remove the accessible parking space on Kimball Terrace from the TPR, as it may no longer be needed. (Ward 2) [09/07/23 @ 12:30 PM]

ACTION: **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 907. This item may be appealed through the close of business November 15, 2023.**

TC54-23 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to remove the accessible parking space at 62 Fellsmere Road from the TPR, as it may no longer be needed. (Ward 2) [09/07/23 @ 12:30 PM]

ACTION: **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 908. This item may be appealed through the close of business November 15, 2023.**

TC35-23 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, on behalf of neighborhood residents, requesting to review and possible change the parking restrictions on Farwell Street to ensure safe access for buses and emergency vehicles. (Ward 3) [06/20/23 @ 9:37 AM] (Remanded back to Traffic Council by City Council on 10/02/23)

ACTION: **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 909. TPR 909 (option 1) prohibits parking on the south and west side of Farwell Street from a point 170 feet west of Farwell Circle to North Street (southerly intersection). This item may be appealed through the close of business November 15, 2023.**

TC49-23 COUNCILOR LUCAS, requesting to switch the locations of the accessible parking space at 823 Washington Street (Grandma’s Kitchen) with the metered parking space at 821 Washington Street (Rice Valley). (Ward 2) [09/26/23 @ 1:30 PM]

ACTION: **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 910. This item may be appealed through the close of business November 15, 2023.**

TC51-23 SHAY ZANDMAN, 145 Gibbs Street, requesting to change the current parking regulation on Gibbs Street from a 2-hour limit on the north side between Centre Street and Dalton Road to a 2-hour limit, except by resident permit, on the north side between Centre Street and Dalton Road. [10/02/23 @ 8:47 AM] (Ward 6)

ACTION: **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 911. This item may be appealed through the close of business November 15, 2023.**

TC48-23 COUNCILORS, KELLEY, MALAKIE AND WRIGHT, requesting to restrict parking on the north side of Watertown Street 120 feet east of Davis Avenue to improve intersection sight lines. (Ward 3) [09/12/23 @ 2:01 PM]

ACTION: **HELD 5-0. Held for a trial of the following: Parking prohibited, Watertown Street, north side, from Davis Avenue easterly 60 feet. This trial moves the parking prohibition 20 feet further to the east.**

TC42-23 CHRISTOPHER BREZSKI, 300 Highland Street, requesting the addition of stop signs, in both directions, on Highland Street at the intersection of Lenox Street to create a 4-way stop-controlled intersection. Note that Multi-Way Stop-Control shall be based on an engineering study evaluating guidance listed in the MUTCD (Ward 2 and 3) [08/28/23 @ 9:23 AM]

ACTION: **DENIED 5-0. This item may be appealed through the close of business November 15, 2023.**

TC50-23

MATTHEW SHUSTER, 99 Bowdoin Street, requesting stop signs at the intersection of Erie Avenue at Bowdoin Street, in both directions. (Ward 6) [09/29/23 @ 1:02 PM]

ACTION:

APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 912. TPR 912 adds a stop sign at Bowdoin Street, southbound, at Erie Avenue. It does not add a stop sign on Erie Avenue at Bowdoin Street. This item may be appealed through the close of business November 15, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,
David Koses, Traffic Council Chair