#### <u>CITY OF NEWTON</u>

#### IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN

#### PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2015

Present: Ald. Ciccone (Chair), Yates, Cote, Fuller, Lipof, Schwartz, Johnson and Harney

Absent: Ald. Schwartz

Also Present: Ald. Baker and Lappin

City Staff: Bill Paille, Director of Transportation; Marie Lawlor, Assistant City Solicitor and

David Koses, Transportation Coordinator

Committee members, Aldermen present and City staff discussed substantive items referred by the Recodification Committee dated June 4, 2012. They discussed the following items referring to the City Ordinance updated December 31, 2014 and the Traffic and Parking Regulations updated October 13, 2011.

#240-12 RECODIFICATION COMMITTEE requesting that Chapter 19 MOTOR

**VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC** be amended to determine who has jurisdiction for parking on municipal land, the owning department as described in **Sec. 19-224. Parking prohibited on city grounds.** or the Traffic Council as described in **Sec.** 

19-26. Authority and role of Traffic Council.

**ACTION:** HELD 7-0

**NOTE:** Ms. Lawlor explained that the Recodification Committee sighted an inconsistency between the existing ordinances Sec. 19-224 and Sec. 19-26. She referenced and brought to the attention the wording in the following two existing ordinances in *italics*:

**Sec. 19-224. Parking prohibited on city grounds**. ...upon *any land owned or controlled by the city* which shall include...

**Sec. 19-26. Authority and role of Traffic Council** (a) ... of section 19-30, the traffic council shall have sole authority to adopt, amend and repeal regulations governing operation and parking of vehicles at particular locations on streets and public grounds under the control of the city, and for such purposes...

<u>Sec. 19-224</u>, "any land owned or controlled by the city"... would include any library, school and park allowing them the authority to post and regulate parking on these lands.

<u>Sec. 19-26</u>, "the traffic council shall have sole authority to adopt, amend and repeal regulations governing operation and parking of vehicles at particular locations on streets and public grounds under the control of the city,"...

Ms. Lawlor said that perhaps ordinance 19-26 has an error and should read public streets and public ways rather than public grounds. She then said that for parking to be enforced and a ticket offense it has to be in the Traffic and Parking Regulations (TPR). Since these ordinances are not in the TPR, they can only be enforced by a criminal complaint.

Aldermen present and Committee members expressed their questions and suggestions. Questions:

- Has there been past conflicts with these two ordinances? <u>Suggestions:</u>
- Amend ordinance Sec. 19-26(a). **Authority and role of Traffic Council**, to read traffic council shall *consult with the city the authority, which has lawful control of said premises when establishing parking regulations* include any library, school and park. Traffic Council shall consult with the library, School and Parks & Recreation Departments including appropriate edits from the Law Department.
- Suggested deleting ordinance Sec. 19-224. Parking prohibited on city grounds
- Suggested that the distinction between public streets or public owned land be clarified.
- Suggested that this item be amended to allow Traffic Council jurisdiction.
- Suggested amending in Sec. 19-26(a) **Authority and role of Traffic Council**, the addition of adding the word Massachusetts before section 18 of chapter 90 of the general laws and section 2 of chapter 85 of the general laws.
- Memorandum to all relevant departments concerning the possibility and reasons on amending ordinance Sec. 19-26(a). **Authority and role of Traffic Council** and the suggestion of deleting ordinance Sec. 19-224. **Parking prohibited on city grounds**

Ms. Lawlor stated that the library, School and Parks & Recreation Departments may want to offer their opinion on authorizing Traffic Council the authority in Sec. 19-26. Currently 19-26(a) allows these departments to administratively tailor and determine their own parking and regulations. Amending ordinance Sec. 19-26(a) **Authority and role of Traffic Council** and deleting ordinance Sec. 19-224 **Parking prohibited on city grounds** would be significant changes to these entities requiring them to complete a Traffic Council petition. Ms. Lawlor said that she would review section 18 of chapter 90 of the general laws and section 2 of chapter 85 of the general laws.

Without further discussion, Ald. Johnson made a motion to hold this item for draft ordinance language and to notify Public Buildings Department, School Department, Parks & Recreation Department, all relevant departments with a memorandum concerning the possibility and reasons on amending ordinance Sec. 19-26(a). **Authority and role of Traffic Council** and the suggestion of deleting ordinance Sec. 19-224. **Parking prohibited on city grounds.** Council members agreed 7-0.

#236-12 <u>RECODIFICATION COMMITTEE</u> recommending **Sec. 19-175. Angle parking.** of **Chapter 19 MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC** be amended by deleting the words "board of aldermen" and inserting in place thereof the words "traffic council" and by inserting after the word "and" the words "the commissioner of public works".

ACTION: APPROVED 7-0

**NOTE:** A Committee member asked for clarification of City Ordinance, Sec. 19-175(a) "The commissioner of public works shall mark or sign such streets or cause the same to be marked or signed". Would it be appropriate to delete this language? Is angle parking in-fact marked or signed? Mr. Paille answered that this refers to pavement markings.

Without discussion, Ald. Fuller made the motion to approve this item. Council members agreed 7-0, to accept the suggestions in the Recodification Report No. 32, page 77 provided by the Recodification Committee.

#235-12 <u>RECODIFICATION COMMITTEE</u> recommending that **Sec. 19-113. Pedestrians** crossing ways or roadways. in **Chapter 19 MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC** be amended by removing the existing description of a marked

crosswalk.

**ACTION:** APPROVED 7-0

**NOTE:** Without discussion, a motion was made to approve this item. Council members agreed 7-0, to accept the suggestions in the Recodification Report No. 21, page 61 provided by the Recodification Committee.

#234-12 <u>RECODIFICATION COMMITTEE</u> recommending that the definition of *Speed* 

humps in Sec. 19-1. of Chapter 19 MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC be

amended to make it consistent with current design/practice standards.

**ACTION:** HELD 6-0-1, Ald. Yates abstaining

**NOTE:** Mr. Paille provided proposed draft language defining speed humps, attached to this report.

It was noted, that the definition for speed humps was added to the City Ordinance after they were installed at several locations. The City has since agreed not to install them because of the difficulties they cause emergency vehicles.

Mr. Paille said that The Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) define speed humps including subsets of speed bumps, raised intersections and speed tables as 'physical features' of a roadway. The MUTCD does not address height, width, length, or spacing of the actual humps and bumps. The four subsets are interchangeable leaving the decision to the City Engineer to distinguish. Mr. Paille is proposing to eliminate the height, length and spacing requirements in the speed humps definition in the existing ordinance and replace with this draft language.

Aldermen present and Committee members expressed their questions and suggestions. Questions:

- Is there a definition distinction between speed humps and speed bumps?
- Are the definitions for speed bumps, speed tables or raised intersections in the existing ordinance?

#### Suggestions:

• Suggested a total review of the existing ordinance and clarification on definitions including revising this language to include the subsets in order to avoid the creation of future installations of speed humps.

Ald. Fuller made a motion to hold this item as suggested to review the existing ordinance language and clarify definitions including revising this proposed language to include the definitions of the subsets of speed humps, speed bumps, speed tables and raised intersections. Committee members agreed 6-0-1, Ald. Yates abstaining. Ald. Yates abstained because he stated the definition for speed bumps, speed tables or raised intersections are not in the existing ordinance.

#233-12 <u>RECODIFICATION COMMITTEE</u> recommending that the definition of

*Crosswalk* in **Sec. 19-1.** of **Chapter 19 MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC** be amended to define that it is a portion of a roadway clearly indicated for pedestrians crossing with marked lines only.

**ACTION:** APPROVED 7-0

**NOTE:** Ms. Lawlor said that this item relates to the definition of a Crosswalk in Chapter 19, Sec. 19-1.

Without discussion, Ald. Johnson made the motion to approve this item. Committee members agreed 7-0, to accept the definition of a Crosswalk in the Recodification Report No. 14, page 52 provided by the Recodification Committee.

#239-12 <u>RECODIFICATION COMMITTEE</u> requesting a discussion as to whether the increased Tiger Permit Fees in Chapter 19 MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC and the process established as part of the temporary Tiger program are

still valid for the smaller permanent program.

**ACTION:** NO ACTION NECESSARY 6-0, Ald. Fuller not voting

Mr. Koses said that in April 2013, Traffic Council and the Board of Aldermen approved and deleted relevant Tiger Permit language from the Traffic and Parking Regulations (TPR) and approved language to be inserted into the TPR in section TPR-204 (Newton North High School Tiger Parking Permits). He believes the appropriate changes have been made. Up to one-hundred fifty (150) Tiger Permits may be issued to Newton North High School students under the Tiger parking district. He then noted that the TPR's dated October 13, 2011 is three years old.

Ms. Lawlor said that City Ordinance Sec. 19-9 includes various parking violations. If there are to be written tickets for violating the Tiger Permit Program, she suggests keeping the fees in Chapter 19-9, for it to be enforced. Information on the Tiger Permit Program remains in the TPR. She noted that Law, City Clerk and Transportation Departments are presently working on updating the TPR's.

A Committee member asked what is the cost of a Tiger Permit? Mr. Koses answered that the fee is the same as all other parking programs costing \$25.00 for each registered vehicle. He recalls there being no cost for the initial Tiger Permit.

Without further discussion, Ald. Yates made a motion for no action necessary. Committee members agreed 6-0, Ald. Fuller not voting.

#238-12 <u>RECODIFICATION COMMITTEE</u> requesting a discussion to determine whether

Hawk lights should be regulated in Chapter 19 MOTOR VEHICLES AND

**TRAFFIC** or in the *Traffic and Parking Regulations*.

**ACTION:** NO ACTION NECESSARY 6-0, Ald. Fuller not voting

NOTE: Chair Ciccone said that HAWK beacons belong in Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 90 and in the Traffic and Parking Regulations (TPR) because a HAWK beacon is a traffic signal used to stop road traffic and allows pedestrians to cross safely. The purpose of a HAWK beacon is to allow protected pedestrian crossings, stopping road traffic only as needed. HAWK beacons are usually installed mid-block, not usually installed at an intersection. Currently there are HAWK beacons located at Parker Street, Waverly Avenue, Linwood and Crafts Streets and near Boston College.

Mr. Koses stated that the TPR includes all traffic signals including HAWK beacons. Mr. Paille agreed and said he would prefer HAWK beacons to remain in the TPR for consistency reasons. Ms. Lawlor said that Traffic Council has the authority to establish any traffic signals and agrees they should remain in the TPR.

Committee members agree that HAWK beacons should remain in the Traffic and Parking Regulations.

Without further discussion, Ald. Yates made a motion for no action necessary. Committee members agreed 6-0, Ald. Fuller not voting.

#237-12 <u>RECODIFICATION COMMITTEE</u> requesting a discussion relative to amending\_

Sec. 19-188 Establishment of spaces and installation of parking meters; type of meters; operation and maintenance. of Chapter 19 MOTOR VEHICLES

AND TRAFFIC by deleting in paragraph (a) the reference to specific

denominations for payment.

**ACTION:** NO ACTION NECESSARY 6-0, Ald. Fuller not voting

**NOTE:** Mr. Koses suggested holding this item until the meter replacements plan comes to fruition and new meters are installed Citywide. The new meters will have the capability of receiving payment by phone, credit cards and change.

Ms. Lawlor said that this item suggests the addition of a twenty-five cent (\$0.25) denomination. A Committee member asked that if they propose additional monies than the Recodification Committee suggests, what would happen? Chair Ciccone answered to increase the fee it would be necessary to docket an increase. Mr. Koses asked if this suggested language limits any other

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form of payment other than change, such as credit cards.

Without further discussion, Ald. Yates made a motion for no action necessary. Committee members agreed 6-0, Ald. Fuller not voting. If necessary, when the meters are installed an item could be docketed to include all types of payments.

At approximately 8:15 pm, the Committee adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Allan Ciccone, Jr. Chairman

Sec. 19-220 Reserved. (Section moved to Traffic Regulations (Ord. No. Z-12, 12-03-07)

#### Sec. 19-221. Signs to be erected.

The provisions of section 19-220 shall be effective only during such time as a sufficient number of official traffic signs bearing the legend "Tow-Away Zone" are installed, erected, maintained and located so as to be visible to approaching drivers, such signs to be appended above or incorporated into the legend of parking prohibition signs.

In addition, for football game day tow-away zone regulations, signs bearing the schedule of the effective dates of such regulation shall be appended to or incorporated into the legend of parking prohibition signs.

In addition, the Chief of Police may place such signs at such additional locations in or near the area regulated by game day parking in Section 19-177 as he deems appropriate. (Rev. Ords. 1973, § 13-184; Ord. No. T-278, 6-21-93; Ord. No. V-26, 6-19-95; Ord. No. Z-19, 03-17-08)

#### Sec. 19-222. Record of towed vehicles.

The police department shall keep a record of all vehicles towed or removed under the provisions of this article. Such record shall be retained for one year and shall contain the following information:

- (1) the registration of the vehicle;
- (2) the location from which it was towed, and time and date of tow order;
- (3) the location to which it was moved;
- (4) the fee charged for towing;
- (5) name of towing contractor, if any;
- (6) name and rank of officer who authorized towing. (Rev. Ords. 1973, § 13-185)

Sec. 19-223. Reserved.



Sec. 19-224. Parking prohibited on city grounds.

No person shall stand or park or allow, permit or suffer any vehicle registered in his name to stand or park upon any land owned or controlled by the city which shall include any department thereof and the school committee, after having been forbidden to do so by the person who has lawful control of said premises on behalf of the city, either directly or by notice posted thereon. (Rev. Ords. 1973, § 13-187; Ord. No. S-251, 6-1-87)

## Sec. 19-225. Impeding of snow removal operations; authority of police; fees; liability for damage during removal or storage.

No person shall stand or park or allow, permit or suffer any vehicle registered in his name or under his control to stand or park on any of the ways or parts thereof within the city in such a manner as to impede the removal or plowing of snow or ice, except vehicles parked in accordance with approved regulations, if any, governing all-night parking. (Rev. Ords. 1973, § 13-188; Ord. No. 235, 10-3-77; Ord. No. S-8, 8-8-83; Ord. No. S-251, 6-1-87)

Cross reference—Police, Ch. 24

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by the commissioner of public works and the director of planning and development; and one sworn police officer with a rank of sergeant or higher, whose duties include management of traffic and parking enforcement, as designated by the chief of police.

(b) The traffic council shall elect one of its members to serve as chairman for a term of one year, provided however, that the aldermanic member shall not be eligible to serve as chairman. (Ord. No. Z-12, 12-03-07; Ord. No. Z-23, 04-22-08; Ord. No. A-46, 10-06-14)

#### Sec. 19-26. Authority and role of Traffic Council

- (a) Subject to the provisions of section 19-30, the traffic council shall have sole authority to adopt, amend and repeal regulations governing operation and parking of vehicles at particular locations on streets and public grounds under the control of the city, and for such purposes, the traffic council shall constitute the rule-making body of the city under the provisions of section 18 of chapter 90 of the general laws and section 2 of chapter 85 of the general laws.
  - (b) Nothing herein shall authorize the traffic council to adopt any regulation establishing fines for violations.
- (c) The traffic council shall be guided by all applicable statutes and such policies and standards which may be from time to time established by the board of aldermen pursuant to section 19-33(a).
- (d) Upon request, the traffic council shall advise the mayor and/or board of aldermen on matters concerning traffic and parking issues affecting the city.
  - (e) The traffic council may make rules and regulations governing its procedures and filing requirements.
  - (f) No person shall operate or park a vehicle in violation of the traffic and parking regulations.
- (g) In the construction of chapter 19, references to this chapter shall also be construed to include the traffic and parking regulations. (Ord. No. Z-12, 12-03-07; Ord. No. Z-111, 06-18-12)

#### Sec. 19-27. Records and regulations of the Traffic Council; clerk.

(a) The clerk of the board of aldermen shall serve as clerk to the traffic council and shall keep its records, including such regulations as it adopts from time to time. (Ord. No. Z-12, 12-03-07; Ord. No. Z-111, 06-18-12)

#### Sec. 19-28. Procedures for filing traffic/parking petitions; petition and signature requirements.

- (a) The traffic council may not adopt, amend or repeal regulations governing operation or parking of vehicles on streets and public grounds under the control of the city unless a written petition meeting the requirements of this section has been filed.
- (b) Each such petition shall clearly identify the geographic location for which traffic council review is sought. Each such petition shall be set out on the form provided by the traffic council, and filed with the clerk.
- (c) Petitions for intersectional controls and regulations, including but not limited to stop signs, traffic signals, and no turn on red, must be signed by no fewer than six (6) owners or tenants of the residential, commercial and non-profit units whose building or lot of land is located within five hundred (500) feet of the affected intersection. For purposes of this subsection a "unit" shall be defined as that portion of a building or lot of land which is subject to separate ownership or lease.

| Problem:              | When the Tiger Parking Permit Area was made permanent by the Traffic Council, was it expected that the increased fines within the area that are called for in Chap. 19-9(8) were to remain, or was the expectation that they would be eliminated?   |
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| Submitted by:         | Committee   |
| Chapter:              | 19-9(8)   |
| Suggested Correction: |   |
| Type of Correction:   | Substantive   |
| Assigned to:          | Gayle Smalley   |
| Research:             | Traffic Council did not consider the fines since it falls under Board jurisdiction.   |
|                       | If you follow the resident permit parking model, some of the Tiger permit language really should be in Chapter 19, not entirely in the TPR like it is now.  19-200, 19-201 Description of resident parking permit program TPR-202 Locations of resident permits (by street)   |
|                       | This is probably the correct way to treat the Tiger permits.  |
|                       | 19-203 Description of Tiger permit program TPR-204 Locations of Tiger permits (by street or lot)  |
|                       | The theory would be that only the Board can create a parking permit program whereas the Traffic Council has the "site specific" jurisdiction to decide where permits should be assigned. One difference between resident and Tiger permits is that for resident permits, the Board/City Ordinance sets the fee of \$25/year. For Tiger permits, it's left to the school to cover admin costs. |
| Suggested Changes     | Docket the Tiger Permit fines and the locations with the Board of Aldermen for review.  |
| Action Requested      | Docket and refer to Public Safety & Transportation Committee  |

such proposed transportation, stating the quantity, type of material, packaging, degree of radioactivity and shipping routes and time of such transfer.

(b) Such shipments shall not leave a state or interstate highway except in accordance with section 19-46. (Rev. Ords. 1973, § 13-217; Ord. No. 316, 2-20-79)

#### Sec. 19-7. Accident reports.

Every person operating a motor vehicle which is in any manner involved in an accident in which any person is killed or injured or in which there is damage in excess of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) to any one vehicle or property shall report such accident within five (5) days to the registrar and to the police department in accordance with the provisions of chapter 90, section 26 of the General Laws. (Rev. Ords. 1973, § 13-10)

Cross reference—Duties of police in case of accident, § 24-9

#### Sec. 19-8. Penalty generally.

Except as otherwise provided by law, any person convicted of a violation of any regulation or order made pursuant to this chapter shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty dollars (\$20.00) for each offense (Rev. Ords. 1973, § 13-11)



#### Sec. 19-9. Penalty for parking violations.\*

(a) Pursuant to General Laws, chapter 90, section 20A, chapter 40, section 22A, and chapter 40, section 21, clause 24, the following schedule of fines for parking offenses is established subject to such section and to the provisions of this chapter and the Traffic and Parking Regulations:

| Angle parking zone, otherwise than at the required angle (sec. 19-175)                          | \$15.00      |
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| Bridge and the approach thereto, parking on (sec. 19-166(m))                                    | \$15.00      |
| Bus stop, illegally parking in (sec. 19-170)  | \$100.00     |
| Crosswalk, upon (sec. 19-166(c))  | \$25.00      |
| Curb cut, blocking a curb cut designated for handicapped access (sec. 19-178; sec. 19-199)      |              |
| First offense   | .\$200.00    |
| Each subsequent offense   | .\$300.00    |
| Curb, parking over twelve (12) inches from (sec. 19-166(e))                                     | \$15.00      |
| Driveway, parking in front (sec. 19-166(h))   | \$25.00      |
| Fire hydrant, parking within ten (10) feet of (sec. 19-166(g))                                  | \$25.00      |
| Fire lane, parking in or obstructing access to (sec. 19-166(o))                                 | \$15.00      |
| Fire station, within 15 ft. of the wall of, or directly across the street from (sec. 19-166(j)) | \$15.00      |
| Handicapped space, illegally parking in a space reserved for the handicapped (sect. 19-178;     | sec. 19-199) |

| First Offense \$2  | 00.00     |
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| Each subsequent offense \$3  | 00.00     |
| Intersecting Way, within twenty (20) feet of (sec. 19166(i))\$   | 15.00     |
| Intersection, parking within (sec. 19-166(a))  | 15.00     |
| Loading Zone, within in excess of the time permitted (sec. 19-172)\$   | 15.00     |
| Night, parking a vehicle at night in violation of the provisions applicable thereto (secs.                                 |           |
| effective November 1, 2014\$   |           |
| Other, in any other area where parking is permitted for a limited period of time in excess (sec. 19-166)                   |           |
| Parking meter, parking in violation of the provisions applicable thereto (secs. 19-188 to 19-1 195)                        | · - :     |
| Private road, parking in front of (sec. 19-166(h))   | 25.00     |
| Residential area, within without appropriate sticker (sec. 19-201)\$   | 15.00     |
| Restricted area, in violation of the applicable restrictions (except overtime) (sec. 19-176)\$                             | 20.00     |
| Safety zone, within twenty (20) feet of either end of (sec. 19-167)\$  | 15.00     |
| School drop off zone, parking in in excess of time permitted (sec. 19-179)\$   | 25.00     |
| Sidewalk, parking on (sec. 19-166(b))  | 15.00     |
| Snow or Ice Removal, parking on any way in such a manner as to impede (sec. 19-166(n)) \$                                  | 20.00     |
| Stopping in violation of the applicable restrictions (sec. 19-180)\$   | 15.00     |
| Taxicab stand, parking within (sec. 19-171)\$  | 15.00     |
| Traffic passing lane, obstruction of (sec. 19-166(f))\$  | 15.00     |
| Trailer, at night in violation of the provisions applicable thereto (section 19-174, 19-174(b)) effective November 1, 2014 |           |
| Wrong direction, parking in the (sec. 19-166(e))\$   | 15.00     |
| (b) Should the fines established havein not be need within truenty and (21) days of the off                                | 4h - C-11 |

(b) Should the fines established herein not be paid within twenty-one (21) days of the offense, the following surcharges shall be due and payable to the parking clerk of the city in addition to the fine originally assessed:

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For a \$5.00 fine – initial surcharge shall be an additional \$10.00.

For a \$15.00 fine – initial surcharge shall be an additional \$10.00.

For a \$20.00 fine – initial surcharge shall be an additional \$10.00.

For a \$25.00 fine – initial surcharge shall be an additional \$10.00.

- (c) If any part of the fine and/or initial surcharge remains unpaid at any time subsequent to the parking clerk reporting the matter to the Registrar of Motor Vehicles of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, pursuant to M.G.L. chapter 90, section 20A, an additional surcharge of \$5.00 shall be due and payable to the parking clerk of the city.
- (d) Notwithstanding the fines established for the offenses identified in section (a) as having a fine of either \$15.00 or \$20.00, such offenses shall be punished by a fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) if the offense occurs within the geographic area designed as subject to the Tiger Parking program established by section 19-204 while such program is in effect.

(Rev. Ords. 1973, § 13-12; Ord. No. S-8, 8-8-83; Ord No. S-43, 2-21-84; Ord. No. S-156, 2-18-86; Ord. No. 209, 7-21-86; Ord. No. S-344, 12-5-88; Ord. No. T-164, 8-8-91; Rev. Ord. No. T-142, 4-1-91; Ord. X-30, 10-7-02; X-34, 11-18-02; Ord. No. X-86, 5-17-04; Ord. No. X-96, 6-21-04; Ord. No. X-143, 3-21-05; Ord. No. X-162, 4-4-05; Ord. No. X-180, 12-19-05; Ord. Y-6, 3-19-07; Ord. No. Y-31, 8-13-07; Ord. No. Z-14, 11-5-07; Ord. No. Z-40, 01-20-09; Ord. No. Z-47, 03-16-09; Ord. No. Z-111, 06-18-12; Ord. No. A-2, 07-09-12; Ord. No. A-36, 02-03-14)

\*Editor's notes—See subsections (h), (i) and (j) of section 19-204 regarding penalties pursuant to certain violations of the temporary permit parking program known as Tiger Permit parking.

Secs. 19-10-19-24. Reserved.

### ARTICLE II. TRAFFIC COUNCIL; TRAFFIC PETITIONS

#### Sec. 19-25. Establishment of traffic council; membership.

- (a) There shall be a traffic council which shall be made up of five members, as follows:
  - (1) One appointed member who shall be a resident of the City who has expertise in traffic engineering or traffic planning, shall be appointed for a term of three (3) years in accordance with the procedures of the City Charter Section 3-3. One or more alternates, who shall also be resident(s) of the city with expertise in traffic engineering or traffic planning, shall be appointed for a term of three (3) years in accordance with the procedures of the city charter Sec 3-3. The chairman may designate an alternate resident member to attend traffic council meetings as a voting member whenever the permanent resident member is unable to attend and during any such time that there is no permanent resident member due to expiration of three-year term, resignation, or other reason
  - (2) The chairman of the board of aldermen's Public Safety and Transportation Committee, or the chairman of such successor standing committee which the board of aldermen may establish to consider matters relating to parking and traffic shall serve ex-officio. Such chairman, whenever unable to attend a traffic council meeting, may designate the vice chairman of such committee to attend in the chairman's place; and in the event that the vice chairman is unavailable, the chairman may designate another member of such committee to attend in the chairman's place.
  - (3) The other three members shall be employees of the city, as follows: one employee whose duties include traffic engineering and one employee whose duties include transportation planning, as designated jointly

- (c) When a vehicle is operated by a student, faculty or staff who has procured and displayed such a permit, the operator may park in a metered space within a designated area of the Austin Street off-street parking area without being required to deposit coins in the parking meter.
- (d) The commissioner of public works shall designate the area of the Austin Street off-street parking area which shall be available for the sticker parking program established under this section; and the commissioner shall display and maintain signs indicating the designated area(s).
- (e) The sticker parking program established by this section shall be suspended when the Tiger Parking Program established by section 19-204 is in effect.

### (Ord. No. X-113, 10-18-04; Ord. No. Y-23, 7-09-07)

Sec. TPR-204. Newton North High School Tiger Parking Permits.

- (a) There shall be a parking permit program known as the Tiger Parking Program, which shall be operated in accordance with the terms of this section. Such program shall commence in August, 2007, and shall end when on-site parking is made available for staff and students, as determined by the principal of Newton North High
- (b) On school days between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., a vehicle properly displaying a Tiger Permit issued in accordance with this section shall be exempt from the parking restrictions set out in section 19-176 and the resident parking restrictions set out in 19-202, provided that such vehicle is parked within the geographic section authorized by such Tiger Permit and operated by the person who has been issued such Tiger Permit.
- (c) The geographic area subject to the Tiger Parking Program is shown on a map entitled, "Tiger Permit Areas" on file in the office of the City Clerk. The following streets, or portions of such streets, are included on such map:

Allston Street

School ("NNHS").

Austin Street (Lowell Avenue to Mt. Vernon Street)

Beaumont Avenue

Birch Hill Road

Blithedale Street

**Bolton Road** 

**Bullough Park** 

Calvin Road

Clyde Street

**Dexter Road** 

Elm Road (public way section only)

Elmwood Park

Fairfield Street

Forest Ave (Highland Street to Otis Street)

Gay Street

Grey Birch Terrace

Grevlock Road

Grove Hill Avenue (Prospect Avenue to Lakeview Avenue)

Grove Hill Park

Highland Avenue (Forest Avenue to Walnut Street)

Highland Street (Somerset Road to Walden Street)

Hull Street

Kimball Terrace

Kirkstall Road

Leonard Avenue

Lowell Avenue (Whittier Road to Austin Street)

Oakwood Road (Woodside Road to Upland Road)

Otis Street (Forest Avenue to Walnut Street)

Park Place

Prospect Avenue (Grove Hill Avenue to Beaumont Avenue)

**Pulsifer Street** 

Sheffield Road

Somerset Road

Trowbridge Avenue (public way section only)

Upland Road (Mill Street to Pheasant Road)

Walden Street

Washington Park

Washington Street (south side only, from Lowell Avenue 450 feet westerly)

Woodside Road

Fifty-five parking spaces within the Austin Street municipal off-street parking area are included within the geographic area subject to the Tiger Parking Program.

(d) No more than 550 Tiger Permits may be issued under the Tiger Parking Program.

The commissioner of public works shall determine the number of Tiger Permits which may be issued within each section of the streets subject to the program. In carrying out such determination, the commissioner shall limit parking to one side of the street, and limit the number of permits within each section such that permit holders may occupy no more than 40% of the area available for parking in each such section, provided however that such 40% limit shall not apply to the portions of streets identified in subsection (h) and the reserved spaces in the Austin Street municipal off-street parking area.

- (e) The principal of NNHS may issue Tiger Permits to staff, students and residents in accordance with selection methods as she determines, in her sole discretion, for carrying out the purposes of the program charged for the issuance of Tiger Permits. The total number of permits that may be issued under this program is as follows:
  - (1) No more than 422 Tiger Permits may be issued to staff;
  - (2) No more than 100 Tiger Permits may be issued to students who have a demonstrated need to drive to school, with priority given to seniors and carpoolers;
  - (3) No more than 10 Tiger Permits may be issued to residents who have special circumstances supporting their need to park under authority of a Tiger Permit;
  - (4) No more than 1 Tiger Permit per dwelling unit for the residents of Hull Street; and
  - (5) No more than 8 discretionary permits.
- (f) The principal shall determine the effective dates of each Tiger Permit, but no such Tiger Permit may exceed the term of the regular school year, or the term of summer session. Upon notice to the permit holder, the principal may revoke or suspend a Tiger Permit for good cause. For staff, good cause may include parking in the geographic area subject to the Tiger Parking Program other than at the location specified in the Tiger Permit issued to permit holder. For students, good cause may include school disciplinary actions. Tiger Permits issued to staff and students shall automatically be revoked in the event that the permit holder ceases to be a staff member or student.
- (g) Subject to the approval of the chief of police, the principal shall arrange for the printing and issuance of the Tiger Permits, provided that each Tiger Permit shall 1) identify the street and geographic section to which it

applies; 2) include a permit number; 3) state the effective dates. The chief of police may establish rules governing the display of Tiger Permits.

(h) On school days from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. parking on the following streets or portions of such streets shall be reserved for the Tiger Permit Program. On school days between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., no person shall allow a vehicle registered in his name to stand or park upon such street or portion of street, except in accordance with the terms of a Tiger Permit issued under the Tiger Parking Program.

Elm Road, south side, from Blithedale Street to Kimball Terrace

Hull Street, north side from Walnut Street to Beaumont Avenue

Lowell Avenue, west side from a point 100 feet south of Craigie Terrace to a point 360 feet north of Arden Road

Lowell Avenue, west side from Highland Avenue to Austin Street

Lowell Avenue, east side from Hull Street to a point 100 feet south of Elm Road

Vehicles found in violation of the provisions of this subsection shall be subject to a fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for each offense.

(i) During the period when the Tiger Parking Program established by this section is in effect, fifty-five (55) parking spaces in the Austin Street municipal off-street parking area shall be reserved for such program. On school days between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., no person shall allow a vehicle registered in his name to stand or park in any parking space reserved for the Tiger Parking Program, except in accordance with the terms of a Tiger Permit issued under the Tiger Parking Program. The principal of NNHS may issue Tiger Permits for such parking spaces. The commissioner of public works shall designate such reserved parking spaces and cause to be placed and maintained signs identifying such spaces. Vehicles found in violation of the provisions of this subsection shall be subject to the penalties provided in section 19-8.

(j) Hull Street tow-away zone: During the period when the Tiger Parking Program established by this section is in effect no person shall stand or park or allow a vehicle registered in his name to stand or park in violation of the restrictions listed below:

Hull Street, north side, from Lowell Avenue to a point opposite Beaumont Avenue, on School Days:

7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m., live parking only;

8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Two-hour limit;

2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Bus zone only.

Vehicles found in violation of the provisions of this subsection shall be subject to the penalties provided in section 19-8. Such vehicles shall be removed to a convenient place and the owner of the vehicle so removed, or towed away shall be liable for the cost of such removal and storage, if any, within the limits set forth in section 19-226.

The existing parking restriction and tow-away zone applicable to this geographic area, as set out in section 19-176 and section 19-220 respectively, shall be suspended during the effective period of this subsection. (Ord. Y-23, 7-9-07; Ord. Y-31, 8-13-07; Ord. Z-25, 05-05-08)

Sec. TPR-205—TPR-219. Reserved.

Sec. TPR-220. Parking prohibitions for tow zones.\*

| Problem:              | Where do HAWK lights fall                                    |
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| Submitted by:         | Committee  |
| Chapter:              | 19 or TPR  |
| Suggested Correction: | Review Chapter 19 and TPRs                                   |
| Type of Correction:   |  |
| Assigned to:          | Law Department   |
| Research:             |  |
| Suggested Changes     |  |
| Action Requested      | Docket and Refer to Public Safety & Transportation Committee |

## #33b

| Problem:              | The parking meters installed in parking meter zones shall be of the automatic multiple-coin type capable of receiving sufficient coins of five cent (\$0.05) or ten cent (\$0.10) or twenty-five cent (\$0.25) denominations for the payment of the fee for parking at the location of such meter, for the maximum time permitted by the TPR this chapter. Such meters shall be placed upon the curb next to the individual parking meter spaces. The parking meters established in parking meter areas specified in section 19-194 shall be of the automatic type, capable of receiving a coin of twenty-five cent (\$0.25) denomination. The parking meters installed in parking meter zones specified in section 19-195 shall be of the automatic multiple-coin type, capable of receiving sufficient coins of ten cent (\$0.10) denomination for the payment of the fee for parking at the location for the maximum time permitted by these regu |
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| Submitted by:         | Clint Schuckel, Traffic Engineer   |
| Chapter:              | 19-188   |
| Suggested Correction: | All parking meters, regardless of time limit or location, accept nickels, dimes, and quarters for payment of fees. References to TPR added as appropriate.   |
| Type of Correction:   |  |
| Assigned to:          | Gayle Smalley<br>Donnalyn Kahn   |
| Research:             | 2/22 - Gayle will look at drafting text. Donnalyn will consult with Mayor.   |
|                       | 2/29 - Split into 33a & b  |
|                       | 33b to be referred to PS&T for discussion of the elimination of coin denominations   |
| Suggested Changes     | 33b to be referred to PS&T for discussion of the elimination of coin denominations   |
| Action Requested      | Docket and Refer to Public Safety & Transportation Committee   |

§ 19-191



### Sec. 19-188. Establishment of spaces and installation of parking meters; type of meters; operation and maintenance.

- (a) The commissioner of public works, with the approval of the mayor, is hereby authorized and directed to establish and install parking meter spaces in the parking meter zones including curb or street marking lines, and a parking meter with respect to each such space. Such parking meters shall be in operation for the regulation of parking in such parking meter spaces during the periods specified in this chapter. The commissioner of public works shall have charge of the operation of such parking meters and shall maintain the same in good workable condition. The parking meters installed in parking meter zones shall be of the automatic multiple-coin type capable of receiving sufficient coins of five cent (\$0.05) or ten cent (\$0.10) denominations for the payment of the fee for parking at the location of such meter, for the maximum time permitted by this chapter. Such meters shall be placed upon the curb next to the individual parking meter spaces. The parking meters established in parking meter areas specified in the traffic and parking regulations shall be of the automatic type, capable of receiving a coin of twenty-five cent (\$0.25) denomination. The parking meters installed in parking meter zones specified in the traffic and parking regulations shall be of the automatic multiple-coin type, capable of receiving sufficient coins of ten cent (\$0.10) denomination for the payment of the fee for parking at the location for the maximum time permitted by these regulations.
- (b) Parking meter spaces shall be so arranged as to conform to the provisions of this chapter regarding parking at or near street intersections, crosswalks, fire hydrants, fire stations, private roads or driveways, safety zones, bus stops, taxicab stands and service zones. All meters shall bear adequate instructions regarding the maximum parking time, fees and operation of the meters. (Rev. Ords. 1973, § 13-154; Ord. No. 53, 2-18-75; Ord. No. 90, 10-6-75; Ord. No. Z-111, 06-18-12)

#### Sec. 19-189. Manner of parking in parking meter spaces; unlawful parking.

- (a) Whenever any vehicle shall be parked next to a parking meter, the operator of the vehicle shall park within the area designated by the curb or street marking lines, and upon entering the parking space shall immediately deposit in the meter one or more five cent (\$0.05) or ten cent (\$0.10) coins or a twenty-five cent (\$0.25) coin. It shall be unlawful for any person to fail or neglect to deposit such coins or to fail to park within the limits designated. Such parking meter space may be used by such vehicle during the time limited according to the sum thus deposited and such vehicle shall be unlawfully parked if it shall remain in such space beyond the period of time for which the operator shall have deposited coins in the meter.
- (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to cause any vehicle to be unlawfully parked as provided in paragraph (a); however, it shall not be unlawful for any person to park a vehicle in a metered parking space without depositing coins in the meter, provided the meter does not show that the time for such parking has expired and further provided that the total period of time used shall not exceed the total period of time to which such metered parking space is limited for use. (Rev. Ords. 1973, § 13-155; Ord. No. 53, 2-18-75)

#### Sec. 19-190. Overtime parking.

No person shall park a vehicle for a longer consecutive period than the limit specified and between the hours specified on any of the streets or parts of streets designated as parking meter zones in which parking meters and parking meter spaces are to be established pursuant to the traffic and parking regulations. (Rev. Ords. 1973, § 13-156; Ord. No. Z-111, 06-18-12)

#### Sec. 19-191. Parking meter fees.

The fees for parking in a parking meter space during the days and hours designated for parking meter zones shall be as follows:

| Problem:                              | Angle parking.   |
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|                                       | The board of aldermen Traffic Council shall determine upon what streets angle  |
|                                       | parking shall be permitted and the commissioner of public works shall mark or  |
|                                       | sign such streets or cause the same to be marked or signed.                    |
| Submitted by:                         | Clint Schuckel, Traffic Engineer   |
| Chapter:                              | 19-175   |
| Suggested Correction:                 | Suggestion for consistency with previous sections of Chapter 19 where the      |
|                                       | authority for site-specific decision-making related to parking is delegated to |
|                                       | Traffic Council and implemented and maintained by the Commissioner of          |
|                                       | Public Works.  |
| Type of Correction:                   | Substantive  |
| Assigned to:                          |  |
| Research:                             | 2/22 - Refer to Public Safety  |
| Currented Charges                     |  |
| Suggested Changes                     |  |
| Action Requested                      | Docket and Refer to Public Safety & Transportation Committee                   |
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longer than two hours, provided, however, that this regulation shall not apply in the following instances:

- a) a commercial vehicle or trailer parked at a metered parking space;
- b) a commercial vehicle or trailer parked temporarily during the actual loading or unloading of materials;
- c) a commercial vehicle or trailer acting in an emergency; or
- d) a commercial vehicle or trailer parked within 500 feet of the work site of the driver of such vehicle or trailer. This exemption shall not apply where the work site of the driver or owner of the vehicle or trailer is also the residence for the driver or owner.
- (3) The penalty for violation of subsection (2) of this section shall be as follows: for the first offense, a warning; for the second offense, twenty-five dollars (\$25.00); and for each subsequent offense, the vehicle or trailer shall be towed to a convenient place and the owner of the vehicle or trailer towed away shall be liable for the towing and storage charges, if any, within the limits set forth in section 19-226. The owner of any vehicle removed or towed under the provisions of this section shall also be subject to the penalties provided in section 19-8 of this chapter.
- (b) Other vehicles: From November 15<sup>th</sup> through April 15<sup>th</sup>, it shall be unlawful for any vehicle, other than one acting in an emergency, to be parked on any street, way, highway, road, parkway or private way dedicated or open to the use of the public for a period of time longer than one hour between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. (Rev. Ords. 1973, § 13-144; Ord. No. S-87, 2-4-85; Ord. No. T-186, 11-18-91; Ord. No. Y-3, 3-19-07; Ord. No. Z-14, 11-5-07)

#### Sec. 19-175. Angle parking.

- (a) The board of aldermen shall determine upon what streets angle parking shall be permitted. The commissioner of public works shall mark or sign such streets or cause the same to be marked or signed.
- (b) Upon streets or parts of streets which have been marked or signed for angle parking, vehicles shall be parked with one wheel within twelve (12) inches of the curb and at the angle to the curb indicated by such marks or official signs. The vehicle shall be parked so that all four (4) wheels of the vehicle shall be placed wholly within the painted lines provided. (Rev. Ords. 1973, § 13-145; Ord. No. Z-111, 06-18-12)

Sec. 19-176—19-177. Reserved. (Sections moved to Traffic and Parking Regulations (Ord. No. Z-12, 12-03-07))

#### Sec. 19-178. Handicapped persons and disabled veterans parking.

- (a) No person shall park a vehicle upon any street or in any parking lot operated by the city in parking spaces designated for handicapped persons and disabled veterans unless said vehicle:
  - (1) properly bears the distinctive handicapped or disabled veteran license plates authorized by section 2 of chapter 90 of the General Laws; or
  - (2) is being used for transporting a handicapped person and properly displays the handicapped placard authorized by section 2 of chapter 90 of the General Laws; or
  - (3) properly bears the official identification of a handicapped person issued by any other state, or any Canadian Province.

| Problem:              | Pedestrians shall obey the directions of police officers directing traffic and whenever there is an officer directing traffic or a traffic-control signal within three hundred (300) feet of a pedestrian, no such pedestrian shall cross a way or roadway except within the limits of the marked crosswalk at the signalized location and as hereinafter provided in this article. For the purpose of this article, a "marked crosswalk" shall only be construed to be that area of a roadway reserved for pedestrian crossing located between two (2) solid white reflectorized twelve inch pavement markings in rural areas or markings not less than six (6) inches wide in urban areas, such markings or lines being no |
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| <u> </u>              | less than six (6) feet apart.  |
| Submitted by:         | Clint Schuckel, Traffic Engineer   |
| Chapter:              | 19-113   |
| Suggested Correction: | Redundant with crosswalk definition found in Section 19-1.   |
| Type of Correction:   | Substantive  |
| Assigned to:          |  |
| Research:             | 2/22 - Refer to Public Safety  |
| Suggested Changes     | Refer to Public Safety Committee   |
| Action Requested      | Refer to Public Safety & Transportation Committee  |

(c) At an intersection where a lawful stop sign exists, the driver of the first vehicle in a funeral or other procession shall be the only one required to stop before proceeding through the intersection. (Rev. Ords. 1973, § 13-70)

Sec. 19-83—19-98. Reserved (Sections moved to Traffic and Parking Regulations (Ord. No. Z-12, 12-03-07))

Sec. 19-99. Reserved

(Ord. No. S-274A, 11-16-87; Ord. No. V-172, 5-4-98; Ord. No. Z-81, 2-22-11)

Secs. 19-100—19-111. Reserved.

### ARTICLE V. PEDESTRIAN-CONTROL REGULATIONS

#### Sec. 19-112. Authority; definition.

(a) The provisions of this article are adopted pursuant to chapter 90, section 18A of the General Laws, and subject to the provisions thereof, are rules regulating the use by pedestrians of ways within the control of the city. (Rev. Ords. 1973, § 13-93; Ord. No. Z-111, 06-18-12)

Cross reference - Definition of pedestrian, § 19-1

#### Sec. 19-113. Pedestrians crossing ways or roadways.

Pedestrians shall obey the directions of police officers directing traffic and whenever there is an officer directing traffic or a traffic-control signal within three hundred (300) feet of a pedestrian, no such pedestrian shall cross a way or roadway except within the limits of the marked crosswalk at the signalized location and as hereinafter provided in this article. For the purpose of this article, a "marked crosswalk" shall only be construed to be that area of a roadway reserved for pedestrian crossing located between two (2) solid white reflectorized twelve-inch pavement markings in rural areas or markings not less than six (6) inches wide in urban areas, such markings or lines being no less than six (6) feet apart. (Rev. Ords. 1973, § 13-94)

#### Sec. 19-114. Pedestrian actuation of traffic-control signals.

- (a) At a traffic-control signal location where pedestrian indications are, a pedestrian shall not cross a roadway unless the walk indication is displayed. At traffic-control signal locations where no pedestrian indication is provided, pedestrians shall cross only on the green indication. If necessary, the walk indication or green indication shall be actuated by the pedestrian by means of a push button.
- (b) At a traffic-control signal location, pedestrians shall yield the right-of-way to vehicles of a funeral or other procession or authorized emergency vehicle while in the performance of emergency duties regardless of the signal indication given, and they shall not attempt to cross the roadway until such vehicle or procession has passed, at which time pedestrians shall then cross the roadway only as provided in these regulations. (Rev. Ords. 1973, § 13-95; Ord. No. Z-111, 06-18-12)

#### Sec. 19-115. Obedience to traffic-control signals.

Traffic-control signal color indications and legends shall have the following commands ascribed to them and no other meanings, and every pedestrian shall comply therewith, except when otherwise directed by an officer:

- (1) Red and yellow or the word
  - a) "Walk" indication. Whenever the "Walk" indication is illuminated, pedestrians facing such indication

#### **Danielle Delaney**

**To:** Danielle Delaney **Subject:** Recodification#234-12

From: William Paille

Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2015 4:30 PM

To: Danielle Delaney

Subject: RE: Recodification#234-12 PS&T 03-18-15

#### Speed humps:

A street surface feature which provides for a gradual vertical deflection in order to limit the speed of traffic. Speed humps shall be designed by the City Engineer or its designee based on guidance provided in the latest Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) and/or the American Association of State Highway Transportation Officials (AASHTO) standards. Other forms of speed humps include speed bumps, speed tables and raised intersections.

| Problem: Submitted by: | Speed humps: A street surface condition consisting of gradual elevations 3 inches to 4 inches high at the midpoint and running 12 feet to 22 feet along the length of the street at the base with the one foot sections at each end tapered flush with the street surface to facilitate street drainage, commonly positioned 400 to 600 feet apart and subject to such further design criteria as may be determined by the City Engineer. Change dimensions & spacing to match current design practice/standards.  Clint Schuckel, Traffic Engineer |
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| Submitted by.          | Clifft Ochtacker, Transc Engineer   |
| Chapter:               | 19-1  |
| Suggested Correction:  | Change dimensions & spacing to match current design practice/standards.   |
| Type of Correction:    | Substantive   |
| Assigned to:           | Linda Finucane  |
| Research:              | 2/22 - Definition should not be substantive.  |
|                        | 2/29 - Review with Board Discussions of Speed Humps. If changes needed refer to PS&T and PF   |
| Suggested Changes      | Refer to PS&T and PF  |
| Action Requested       | Refer to Public Safety & Transportation & Public Facilities Committees  |

Railroad crossing: Any intersection of ways with a railroad right-of-way.

*Roadway*: That portion of a street or highway between the regularly established curblines or that part, exclusive of shoulders, improved and intended to be used for vehicular traffic.

Rotary traffic: The counterclockwise operation of a vehicle around an object or structure.

Safety zone: Any area or space set aside within a roadway for the exclusive use of pedestrians and having the written approval of the department of public works of the commonwealth.

Sidewalk: That portion of a street or highway set aside for pedestrian travel.

Speed humps: A street surface condition consisting of gradual elevations 3 inches to 4 inches high at the midpoint and running 10 feet to 14 feet along the length of the street at the base with the one foot sections at each end tapered flush with the street surface to facilitate street drainage, positioned 200 to 400 feet apart and subject to such further design criteria as may be determined by the City Engineer.

Street or highway: The entire width between property lines of every way open to the use of the public for purposes of travel.

Street marking, official: Any painted line, legend, marking or marker of any description painted or placed upon any way which purports to direct or regulate traffic and which has been approved by the commissioner of public works.

Stopping: Any halting of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in obedience to an officer or traffic signs or signals. Prohibition of stopping shall be deemed to include prohibition of parking.

Taxi stand: An area in the roadway in which certain taxicabs are authorized and required to park while waiting to be engaged.

*Taximeter*: Any instrument by which the charge for hire of a taxi is automatically calculated either for distance traveled or for waiting time or both and which indicates such charge by means of figures.

*Traffic*: Pedestrians, ridden or herded animals, vehicles, or other conveyances, either singly or together, while using any street or highway for the purpose of travel.

*Traffic and parking regulations*: Regulations governing the operation or parking at particular locations on streets and public grounds under the control of the city established by the traffic council.

Traffic calming measures: Physical road design elements intended to reduce vehicle speeds and improve driver attentiveness.

*Traffic-control area*: Any area along any way, other than an intersecting way, at which drivers are to be controlled by traffic-control signals.

*Traffic-control signal*: Any device using colored lights which conforms to the standards as prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), whether manually, electrically or mechanically operated, by which traffic may be alternately directed to stop and to proceed.

Traffic island: Any area or space set aside within a roadway which is not intended for use by vehicular traffic.

| Problem:              | Crosswalk: That portion of a roadway ordinarily included within the prolongation or connection of curblines and property lines at intersections, or at any portion of a roadway clearly indicated for pedestrian crossing by lines on the road surface or by other marking or signs. |
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| Submitted by:         | Clint Schuckel, Traffic Engineer   |
| Chapter:              | 19-1   |
| Suggested Correction: | Suggest that the legal definition of crosswalks be limited to locations with marked lines only.  |
| Type of Correction:   | Substantive  |
| Assigned to:          |  |
| Research:             | 2/22 - Refer to Public Safety  |
| Suggested Changes     | Refer to Public Safety   |
| Action Requested      | Refer to Public Safety & Transportation Committee  |

#### Chapter 19

#### MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC

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### ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

#### Sec. 19-1. Definitions.

For the purposes of this chapter, the words and phrases used herein shall have the following meanings except in those instances where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Bus stop: An area in the roadway set aside for the boarding of or alighting from, and the parking of buses.

Business district: A district zoned for business or manufacturing by the board of aldermen.

Crosswalk: That portion of a roadway ordinarily included within the prolongation or connection of curblines and property lines at intersections, or at any portion of a roadway clearly indicated for pedestrian crossing by lines on the road surface or by other marking or signs.

Curb marking, official: That portion of a curbing, the painting of which has been authorized by the commissioner of public works.

Don't walk indication: A symbol of an upraised hand, or other legend that is generally understood to signify

Cross references—City engineer, Ch. 25, Art. II; civil defense, Ch.8; driving over fire hose restricted, § 10-3; planning and development, Ch. 22; police, Ch. 24; public works department, Ch. 25; streets and sidewalks, Ch. 26; zoning, Ch. 30

State law references—Motor vehicles generally, G.L. c. 90; rules of the road, G.L. c. 90, §§ 1-11; other traffic provisions, G.L. c. 85 §§ 1-35; authority to regulate vehicles, G.L. c. 40 § 22