

CITY OF NEWTON

IN CITY COUNCIL

TRAFFIC COUNCIL ACTIONS

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2016

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 in approximately two weeks following the above meeting date.

Present: David Koses, Traffic Council Chair; Sgt. Jay Babcock, Newton Police Department; Alicia Wilson, Resident member, Stephen Simoglou, Traffic Engineer and Councilor Ciccone

TC35-16 COUNCILORS SANGIOLO, HARNEY AND GENTILE, requesting parking restrictions on a) Maple Street from Woodland Road to Auburn Street; b) Central Street from Commonwealth Avenue to Grove Street; c) Auburn Street from Commonwealth Avenue to Grove Street to alleviate increased parking due to construction at Lasell College and discontinued use of the Lasell parking lots as temporary modular classrooms have been located on the parking lots. (Ward 4) [08/22/16 @ 2:47 PM]

TC35-16(1) HELD (3-2, Babcock and Ciccone opposed) on 11/7/16. Held pending draft Traffic and Parking Regulation (TPR) language to approve the following: Central Street between Grove Street and Maple Street to be added into the Auburndale Village Parking District with the following regulations: (a) No parking, any time, south side; (b) Auburndale Permit Only, north side, all days, all times (Permits are only to be available to residents living within the Auburndale Village Parking District).

TC35-16(2) HELD (5-0) on 11/17/16. Held pending draft Traffic and Parking Regulation (TPR) language to approve the following: Central Street between Maple Street and Commonwealth Avenue to be added into the Auburndale Village Parking District with the following regulations: (a) No parking, any time, south side; (b) 1 Hour Limit, north side, M-F 9AM-5PM Except by Auburndale Permit (Permits are only to be available to residents living within the Auburndale Village Parking District).

TC35-16(3) HELD (3-2, Babcock and Ciccone opposed) on 11/17/16. Held pending draft Traffic and Parking Regulation (TPR) language to approve the following: Maple Street between Auburn Street and Central Street to be added into the Auburndale Village Parking District with the following regulations: (a) No parking, any time, west side; (b) 1 Hour Limit, M-F 9AM-5PM Except by Auburndale Permit (Permits are only to be available to residents living within the Auburndale Village Parking District).

TC35-16(4) HELD (4-0-1, Freedman abstained) on 11/17/16. Held pending draft Traffic and Parking Regulation (TPR) language to approve the following: Maple Street between Central Street and Berkeley Place will NOT be added into the Auburndale Village Parking District. The following parking regulations will apply to this block of Maple Street: (a) No parking, any time, west side; (b) No parking, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., east side.

TC35-16(5) HELD (5-0) on 11/17/16. Held pending draft Traffic and Parking Regulation (TPR) language to approve the following: Maple Street between Berkeley Place and Woodland Road will NOT be added into the Auburndale Village Parking District. The following parking regulations apply to this section of Maple Street: (a) No parking, any time, west side. Note: there will be no parking

restrictions on the west side of this section of Maple Street. Parking within up to 50 feet of the intersections of Woodland Road, Groveland Street and/or Berkeley Place may be restricted, based on the judgment of the Traffic Engineer.

ACTION: HELD 3-1-1, Koses opposed, Simoglou abstaining. Held pending modification to Traffic and Parking Regulation (TPR) #272, to restrict parking on the north side of Central Street from Maple Street easterly, so as to match the currently-posted “no parking” signage.

TC18-15 NICOLE VAIANI, 15 Cypress Street, requesting replacement of all 12-hour meters to short-term meters (3-hour, 6-hour or 8-hour meters) to deter commuters and to accommodate Newton Centre patrons and businesses. (Ward 6) [04/03/15 @ 2:14 PM]
HELD 4-0 on 04/14/16. Hold for sixty-day trial. Convert ten meters numbered #24 through #33 from 12-hour meters to 6-hour meters in the Cypress Street lot.

ACTION: HELD 5-0. Held pending draft Traffic and Parking Regulation (TPR) language to approve the following distribution of parking meters in the Cypress Street Parking Lot: 28 twelve-hour meters, 10 six-hour meters; 20 three-hour meters; 2 accessible parking spaces.

TC10-15 WARD 6 ALDERMEN, requesting one 15-minute parking space on Beacon Street, Newton Centre in front of or near Murray’s Liquors, in order to serve the needs of several nearby businesses, many of whose customers need very short-term parking, and who may lose business due to the current lack of it. (Ward 6) [03/02/15 @ 11:55 AM]
HELD 3-1, Babcock opposed on 06/25/15. Hold for trial. Remove parking meter #762 in front of Murray’s Liquors. Replace with the following sign: 15-minute time limit, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday.
HELD 4-0 on 02/25/16.

ACTION: NO ACTION NECESSARY 5-0. Trial to end, two-hour parking meter to be returned.

TC24-16 WARD 6 COUNCILORS, on behalf of Rowena Road residents, requesting a discussion of parking restrictions on Rowena Road, including the possible implementation of a one-side only parking regulation along all or part of Rowena Road. (Ward 6) [06/22/16 @ 7:58 PM]
HELD (4-0) on 07/28/16. Held for a trial of the following: No parking, any time, south side, entire length.

ACTION: HELD 5-0. Hold for a trial of the following: No parking, any time, south side, Allerton Road to Cedric Road. *Note: Signage between Allerton Road and Clark Street will be removed. Additional parking regulations may be installed on the north side of Rowena Road, within 50 feet of the intersection of Allerton Road, based on engineering judgment. This item will not be placed on the Traffic Council agenda until at least July 2016 to allow for a trial during the spring soccer season.*

TC40-16 DANIELLE PROVOST, 67 Grafton Street, requesting a stop sign at the intersection of Grafton, Homer and Water Streets to address safety concerns and deter speeders. (Ward 6) [10/11/16 @ 9:03 AM]

**ACTION: APPROVED 5-0. Approved language of TPR Number 273.
This item may be appealed through the close of business January 4, 2017.**

TC48-16 DAVID KOSES, TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR, requesting a stop sign at Elgin Street, eastbound, at the intersection of Langley Road. (Ward 6) [11/21/16 @ 8:59 AM]

ACTION: APPROVED AS AMENDED 5-0. Approved language of TPR Number 274.

This item may be appealed through the close of business January 4, 2017.

TC47-16 DAVID KOSES, TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR, requesting the addition of on-street accessible parking spaces into the Traffic and Parking Regulations (TPR). [11/21/16 @ 8:59 AM]

ACTION: APPROVED 5-0. Approved language of TPR Numbers 275 and 276.

This item may be appealed through the close of business January 4, 2017.

Nominations, Election and Discussion of term length for Traffic Council Chair

ACTION: APPROVED 5-0. David Koses elected Traffic Council Chair through December 31, 2017.

TC43-16 DAVID KOSES, TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR, requesting a stop sign at Elgin Street, eastbound, at the intersection of Langley Road. (Ward 6) [10/26/16 @ 11:29 AM]

ACTION: NO ACTION NECESSARY 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

David Koses, Transportation Coordinator
Traffic Council Chair