

TRAFFIC COUNCIL ACTIONS
THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2012

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: Jay Babcock (Police), Allan Ciccone, Jr. (Alderman), Jim Danila (Traffic Engineer), Jerome Grafe (Resident member), David Koses (Transportation Planner), Howard Mintz (Police). Also present: Ald. Baker, Fischman, Harney, Johnson, Lappin, Linsky, Sangiolo.

HP5-11 N. ROBERT NUNBERG, 41 West Street, requesting a handicap parking space in front of #38 or #42 West Street. (Ward 1) [12/13/11 @ 10:56 AM]
Action: Approve 5-0.

TC73-11 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, requesting approval of a pedestrian hybrid signal at or near the intersection of Crafts Street and Linwood Avenue. (Wards 1 & 2) [12/30/11 @ 10:19 AM]
Action: Approve pedestrian hybrid signal at the intersection 4-1 (Danila). This item may be appealed through the close of business February 8, 2012.

TC72-11 WARD 2 ALDERMEN, requesting change to the parking restriction on the south side of the first 100 feet of Trowbridge Avenue, east of Walnut Street. (Ward 2) [12/29/11 @ 2:49 PM]
Action: Deny 3-2 (Grafe, Koses). This item may be appealed through the close of business February 8, 2012.

TC42-11 ALD. LAPPIN requesting an analysis of traffic, pedestrian safety and parking at the intersection of Nahanton and Winchester Streets including the stretch of Winchester Street that abuts the Newton Community Farm and the Jewish Community Center. (Ward 8) [07/25/11 @ 12:44 PM]
Action: NAN 5-0.

TC71-11 ALD. SANGIOLO, HARNEY & GENTILE, requesting Traffic Council to consider the addition of parking spaces/parking meters on Washington Street towards the intersection of Wales Street from the existing meters. (Ward 4) [12/28/11 @ 11:16 AM]
Action: Approve 5-0 (Mintz not voting, Babcock voting on behalf of the Police Department). Remove parking restriction on Washington Street, east side, from Gregorian to an area opposite the driveway of the Newton Executive Park, to allow for approximately eleven new unmetered long-term parking spaces. Rescind the conversion of eight short-term parking spaces to eight long-term parking spaces, as was approved by Traffic Council on 10/27/11. This item may be appealed through the close of business February 8, 2012.

TC13-11 SHEILA NUTT, 14 Central Terrace, requesting parking restrictions on Central Terrace. (Ward 4) [04/13/11 @ 3:28 PM]

Action: Hold for 60-day trial 5-0. No parking 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., Central Terrace, odd side (outside), all days except Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays. No parking, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., Central Terrace, even side (inside), all days except Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays.

TC44-11 STACEY RICHARD, 2069 Commonwealth Avenue, requesting the one hour parking restriction on Commonwealth Avenue carriageway be changed to a three-hour limit between the hours of 9am and 5pm, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays between Lexington Street and Pamela Court. (Ward 4) [08/02/11 @ 11:32 AM]

Action: Approve 5-0. Three-hour parking limit, Commonwealth Avenue carriageway between Pamela Court and Lexington Street, 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., all days except Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays. This item may be appealed through the close of business February 8, 2012.

TC70-11 ALD. HARNEY AND SANGIOLO, on behalf of the residents of Pine Grove Avenue and Cornell Street, requesting that during soccer and baseball seasons, parking be allowed only on one side of Pine Grove Avenue between Grove and Cornell Streets. (Ward 4) [12/13/11 @ 7:43 PM]

Action: Hold for Trial 4-0-1 (Grafe abstained). No parking 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Saturdays, April 15 - November 30, residential side of Pine Grove Avenue between Cornell Street and Grove Street.

TC53-11 NANCY BOWDRING, 94 Hammondswood Road, requesting a “Truck Exclusion” at the entrance to Hammondswood Road from Beacon Street. (Ward 7) [09/09/11 @ 10:41 AM]

Action: Approve 4-1 (Koses). Heavy Commercial Vehicle Exclusion along all of Hammondswood Road, pending approval of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation. In the event that the exclusion is not approved by MassDOT along the public portion of Hammondswood, the truck exclusion would be installed only on the private portion of Hammondswood Road. This item may be appealed through the close of business February 8, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,
David Koses, Traffic Council Chair