CITY OF NEWTON

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

TRAFFIC COUNCIL AGENDA

THURSDAY, MAY 31, 2012

7:00 P.M. City Hall Room 222

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION:

Nominations & Election for 2012 Traffic Council Chair

- TC67-11 <u>DAVID KOSES</u>, requesting parking restrictions as necessary and the installation of a bicycle lane on Walnut Street between Homer and Forest Streets in both northbound and southbound directions. (Ward 6) [11/28/11 @ 3:16 PM]
 - A) APPROVED on 02/16/12 (5-0) no parking, either side, any time, Walnut Street between Homer Street and Beacon Street. This item may be appealed through the close of business March 7, 2012.
 - B) HELD for 60-day trial on 02/16/12 (4-1, Danila opposed) no parking, either side, any time, Walnut Street between Beacon Street and Forest Street.
- HP4-11 CORNELIA CAIN-HEARD, 974 Walnut Street, requesting a handicap parking space in front of 974 Walnut Street. (Ward 6) [11/20/11 @ 8:42 AM]

 The Newton Commission on Disability voted on 12/12/11, to deny this request due to safety concerns.

HELD 5-0 on 02/16/12

- HP1-12 <u>GERTRUD REID</u>, 1083 Walnut Street, requesting a handicap parking space in front of 1083 Walnut Street. (Ward 6) [01/10/12 @ 1:21 PM]
- HP2-12 <u>ALD. DANBERG, BLAZAR & SCHWARTZ</u>, on behalf of The Parish of St. Paul, 1135 Walnut Street, requesting one handicap parking space in front of 1135 Walnut Street on Sundays only. (Ward 6) [03/20/12 @ 11:08 AM]
- ALD. DANBERG, BLAZAR & SHAPIRO on behalf of Mary Costanza, 53 Lake Avenue, requesting no parking between the driveway at 51 Lake Avenue and south to the curve at Cronin's Cove, Crystal Lake; and examination of other potential traffic calming measures to make the Cronin's Cove area of Lake Avenue safer for pedestrians and those entering and exiting driveways. (Ward 6) [09/16/11 @ 11:42 AM]

ITEMS NOT SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION:

DISCUSSION ITEM: Discuss and vote on Traffic Council Policy #3: Bike lane versus parking.

The location of this meeting is handicap accessible and reasonable accommodations will be provided to persons requiring assistance. If you have a special accommodation need, please contact the Newton ADA Coordinator Trisha Guditz at 617-796-1156 or tguditz@newtonma.gov or via TDD/TTY at (617) 796-1089 at least two days in advance of the meeting.

- TC16-12 <u>DAVID KOSES</u>, on behalf of the Newton North High School administration, requesting consideration of the location(s) of pick-up space for athletic buses, including consideration of the establishment of an afternoon-only bus zone on Hull Street between Walnut Street and the staircase, and the shifting of the live parking zone westerly. (Ward 2) [05/16/12 @ 4:20 PM]
- TC15-12 <u>ALD. DANBERG, BLAZAR & SCHWARTZ</u>, requesting removal of a parking space in Newton Centre in the area near J.P. Licks to allow for the installation of a bike corral. (Ward 6) [05/10/12 @ 10:35 AM]
- TC13-12 <u>WARD 2 ALDERMEN</u>, requesting an upgrade to the pedestrian crossing at Harvard and Washington Streets to one that would have a Hawk Light. (Ward 2) [05/07/12 @ 9:30 AM]
- TC12-12 <u>ALD. ALBRIGHT, JOHNSON & LINSKY</u>, requesting changes to the parking restrictions on Frederick and Bonwood Streets. (Ward 2) [04/26/12 @ 10:01 AM]
- ALD. LINSKY, ALBRIGHT & JOHNSON, requesting a) revocation of loading zone located on the south side opposite 439 Newtonville Avenue and b) reinstatement of parking along with further consideration to accommodate delivery needs for Newtonville village center businesses. (Ward 2) [04/30/12 @ 8:51 AM]

 Traffic Council Approved 5-0, on 10/27/11 (TC18-11) A Loading Zone in front of 440 Newtonville Avenue, 9:00 AM 5:00 PM, Monday-Friday.
- TC10-12 <u>JIM DANILA</u>, on behalf of the Department of Public Works requesting the removal of parking within the vicinity of the crosswalk on Walnut Street, adjacent to the Education Center at 100 Walnut Street. (Ward 2) [04/19/12 @ 10:47 AM]
- TC7-12 <u>PATTY GREENE</u>, 39 Jefferson Street, requesting Resident Permit Parking Only or a one-hour parking restriction on Nonantum Place. (Ward 1) [03/27/12 @ 1:09 PM]
- TC5-12 <u>ALD. LAPPIN, FISCHMAN & KALIS</u>, requesting parking restrictions in the area of the blind curve on Winchester Street. (Ward 8) [01/30/12 @ 1:57 PM]
- ALD. LINSKY, ALBRIGHT & JOHNSON, requesting an establishment of a school zone on Walnut Street between Watertown Street and Crafts Street to govern traffic flow around the Education Center (100 Walnut Street) inclusive of a blue zone to facilitate pick-up and drop-off of students. Several populations of Newton Public School students attend classes on the premises, including the Newton Early Childhood Program, the Middle School Stabilization Program (MSP) and the Newton Central High School. Existing traffic signals (crosswalk and pedestrian sign) are frequently ignored by motorist posing a significant safety concern. The Newton Police Department has conducted numerous directed patrols, most recently yielding an average of 3.5 violations per half hour. (Ward 2) [01/25/12 @ 9:01 AM]
- TC3-12 <u>ALD. LINSKY</u>, requesting the installation of a stop sign on Walker Street at the intersection of Page Road. (Ward 2) [01/13/12 @ 9:45 AM]

- TC2-12 <u>ALD. LINSKY</u>, requesting consideration of change to no parking restrictions on Madison Avenue to end at 9:30 a.m. instead of 10:00 a.m. in order to allow patrons of the New Art Center to park for morning classes. (Ward 2) [01/13/12 @ 9:45 AM]
- TC1-12 <u>CAPTAIN MINTZ</u>, requesting that the temporary parking restriction on Fern Street, No parking 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. weekdays, odd (south) side only, be made permanent. (Ward 4) [01/12/12 @ 9:44 AM]
- ALD. HARNEY & 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]

 HELD for trial 4-0-1 (Grafe abstaining) on 01/19/12. 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.
- TC68-11 ANN BASSI, 84 Atwood Avenue, requesting a one-hour parking restriction on school days between 8:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. on Atwood Avenue. (Ward 2) [12/05/11 @ 12:13 PM]

 HELD 5-0 on 03/15/12
- TC66-11 <u>JEROME GRAFE</u>, requesting parking restrictions as necessary and the installation of a bicycle lane on Walnut Street between Elm Road and Commonwealth Avenue in both northbound and southbound directions. (Ward 2) [11/28/11 @ 3:16 PM]
- TC65-11 SARAH KANG, 49 Gay Street, requesting a one-hour parking restriction on school days between 8:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. on Gay Street. (Ward 2) [11/14/11 @ 12:06 PM] **HELD 5-0 on 03/15/12. Trial of no parking, East Side of Gay Street**
- TC28-11

 JAMES & KARIN RIZZA, 19 Cornell Street, requesting that during soccer and baseball seasons parking be allowed only on one side of Cornell Street. (Ward 4) [05/13/11 @ 8:57 AM]

 HELD for trial 4-0-1 (Grafe abstaining) on 11/17/11. No parking, Saturdays, April 15-November 30, residential side of Cornell Street between Grove Street and Pine Grove Avenue.
- TC23-11 <u>ALD. CICCONE</u>, on behalf of the Public Safety & Transportation Committee and Ald. Lennon requesting improvements of pedestrian safety, activity and traffic situations in the area of Charlesbank and Nonantum Roads. (Ward 1) [05/04/11 @ 11:09 AM]

- TC17-10 TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, JIM DANILA, on behalf of School Department, requesting parking restrictions on Walnut Street between Hull Street and Otis Street. (Ward 2) [05/12/10 @ 4:30 PM]
 - A) APPROVED (4-0-1, Harney abstaining) on 06/24/10. No parking anytime, both sides, for the 3-lane section between Otis Street and a point where the northbound left-turn lane to Elm Road begins.
 - B) HELD (5-0) on 06/24/10 for 60-Day Trial, No standing, both sides, School Days 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m, between a point where the northbound left-turn lane to Elm Road begins at Hull Street.
 - B) HELD (4-1, Grafe opposed) on 09/30/10 to extend existing 60-day trial.

Respectfully submitted,

David Koses, Traffic Council Chair