

CITY OF NEWTON

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN

TRAFFIC COUNCIL REPORT

THURSDAY, JULY 24, 2003

Present: Candace Havens (Chair) Ald. Samuelson, Sgt. Norcross (Police) Nina Wang (Traffic Engineer)

Absent: Evelyn Addante (Transportation Planner)

#386-02      ALD. LENNON on behalf of MINA TAMBASCIA, 112 West Street, requesting a handicapped parking spot in front of 112 WEST STREET, Nonantum. (Ward 1)

**ACTION:**      **DENIED 4-0**

**NOTE:**      Candace Havens read a letter into the record from the petitioner, Mina Tambascia (see attached). Nina Wang did a study at this location. She told the Committee there were two other handicapped spaces on West Street, one at #3 and the other at #42. Ms. Wang has observed a sizable driveway at 112 West Street. Signs have been put up that say no parking within 5 ft. of driveway. Ms. Wang has concern that parking is presently very tight on this street. On two site visits made on July 24<sup>th</sup>, Ms. Wang found both the driveway and parking space in front of 112 West Street were empty.

Joseph Collucci, of 117 West Street stated he would not support this petition. Lee Yang of 225 West Street also spoke against this proposal. The Committee voted denial 4-0.

#505-02      THOMAS MALLIOS, 57 Lincoln Street, Newton Highlands requesting two handicapped parking spaces to be located on Lincoln Street at parking meters 928 and 929. (Church parking lot is not functionally able to serve the needs of handicapped members.) (Ward 6)

**ACTION:**      **DENIED 4-0**

**NOTE:**      Ald. Mansfield had sent a letter requesting that this item be held. (see attached) Chairman Havens said based on handicapped parking criteria; this petition does not qualify for approval. Ms. Wang noted the requested spaces do not have any curb cuts. She also felt the requested spaces are not ADA compliant and in her view would be very dangerous for any type of handicapped parking. The Committee voted 4-0 to deny.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Rosalie Myers  
Traffic Council Clerk

