

CITY OF NEWTON

IN CITY COUNCIL

TRAFFIC COUNCIL AGENDA

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2020

Traffic Council will hold this meeting as a virtual meeting on Thursday, September 17, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. To view this meeting using Zoom use this link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89798120618 or call 1 646 558 8656 and use the following Meeting ID: 897 9812 0618. Passcode: 000693

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION:

- TC147-20 COUNCILORS BOWMAN, CROSSLEY, DANBERG, DOWNS, HUMPHREY, LEARY AND NOEL, requesting to discuss and possibly vote to change the parking regulations along the portion of Beacon Street between Newton Centre and Washington Street to allow for the installation of striped bicycle lanes in both directions. Parking must be removed in many areas along Beacon Street in order to allow for the striped bicycle lane. Parking within a striped bicycle lane is not permitted, but parking will be allowed in certain areas, as shown in the final design. (Wards 4, 5, 6 & 7) [08/25/20 @ 1:41 PM]
- TC146-20

 COUNCILORS BOWMAN, CROSSLEY, DANBERG, DOWNS,

 HUMPHREY, LEARY AND NOEL, requesting to change the Waban

 Village Parking District to allow for the installation of striped bicycle lanes along a portion of Beacon Street between Metacomet Road and Dorset Road (eastern end) where parking would no longer be allowed. These changes may include removing sections of Beacon Street from the Waban Village Parking District, rescinding resident permits for homes abutting these sections of Beacon Street and modifying the distribution of non-resident permits in the area for Angier staff and others. (Ward 5) [08/25/20 @ 1:41 PM]

ITEMS NOT YET SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION:

AP2-20 <u>DONNA TURNER</u>, 12 Curve Street requesting an accessible parking space in front of 12 Curve Street. (Ward 3) [08/28/20 @ 11:29 AM] **The Commission on Disability will meet on September 14, 2020.**

The location of this meeting is accessible and reasonable accommodations will be provided to persons with disabilities who require assistance. If you need a reasonable accommodation, please contact the city of Newton's ADA Coordinator, Jini Fairley, at least two business days in advance of the meeting: jfairley@newtonma.gov or (617) 796-1253. The city's TTY/TDD direct line is: 617-796-1089. For the Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS), please dial 711.

- TC150-20 <u>AMANDA STAHL</u>, 37 Manchester Road, requesting a stop sign at the "T" intersection of Kingman and Manchester Roads to deter speeders. (Ward 6) [09/09/20 @ 2:49 PM]
- TC149-20 <u>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR</u>, requesting to update the Traffic and Parking Regulations to reflect all of the changes associated with the reconstruction of Needham Street. (Wards 5 & 8) [09/01/20 @ 2:01 PM]
- TC148-20 <u>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR</u>, on behalf of William Driscoll of 41 Commonwealth Avenue, requesting the removal of the following accessible parking space from TPR-200. Accessible Parking Spaces. Commonwealth Avenue: north side, North Drive; 338 feet east of Waban Hill Rd; easterly 20 feet. (Ward 7) [08/28/20 @ 10:38 AM]
- TC145-20 <u>COUNCILORS DOWNS, BOWMAN AND AUCHINCLOSS</u>, requesting temporary removal of parking, both sides, Lowell Avenue to Eddy Street on Washington Street to allow protected one-way bike lanes on both sides for school access during the COVID-19 pandemic. (Wards 2 & 3) [08/20/20 @ 9:02 AM]
- TC134-20 <u>COUNCILOR KRINTZMAN</u>, requesting review and possible installation of a new stop sign on Asheville Road, northwestbound, at the intersection of Crehore Drive. (Ward 4) [07/27/20 @ 12:55 PM]
- TC133-20 <u>ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER</u>, requesting to approve a stop sign at the Sylvan Avenue southbound approach to Bigelow Road. (Ward 2) [07/20/20 @ 11:23 AM]
- TC132-20 <u>ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER</u>, requesting to approve a stop sign at the Alexander Road northbound approach to Walnut Hill Road. (Ward 6) [07/20/20 @ 11:23 AM]
- TC131-20 <u>DUNSTAN EAST, LLC</u>, 57 River Street, Suite 106, Wellesley, MA, requesting two approximately 40 feet long "Loading, Pick-up/Drop-off" spaces on Washington Street between Dunstan Street and Kempton Place. **a)** space #1 will begin approximately 90 feet east of Dunstan Street and **b)** space #2 will begin approximately 42 feet east of the end of space #1 and will end approximately 55 feet west of Kempton Place. The three affected parcels are 1169 Washington Street, 1171-1173 Washington Street and 1179 Washington Street. (Ward 3) [07/10/20 @ 2:34 PM]

- TC115-20 JASON SOBEL, DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION OPERATIONS, requesting the following to respond to safety concerns and changing conditions brought on by the Covid-19 Pandemic: Traffic Council shall be allowed to vote to allow long-term trials on any public street or parking area located within 1,500 feet of a school. These temporary trials may include modifications to the traffic flow, parking, turning restrictions and/or pavement markings, and are to be approved by the Commissioner of Public Works in consultation with the Director of the Planning Department and the Chief of the Newton Police Department. These changes are temporary in nature and would revert to original conditions unless Traffic Council subsequently votes to make these temporary conditions permanent. At any time, the Police Department may end any Traffic Council trial. (Wards 1-8) [06/18/20 @ 9:19 AM]

 HELD 5-0 on 06/25/20. Held for a trial.
- TC112-20 COUNCILORS DOWNS, AUCHINCLOSS, BOWMAN, KELLEY, LAREDO, MARKIEWICZ, NORTON, WRIGHT, DANBERG, GREENBERG, KRINTZMAN AND LIPOF, requesting Traffic Council actions allowing legal two-way bicycle travel on the Commonwealth Avenue Carriage Lane, between Woodbine Street and Mt. Alvernia Road. (Wards 2, 3, 4 & 7) [05/22/20 @ 8:17 AM]
- TC22-20 <u>STEVEN DONATO</u>, 1231 Washington Street, requesting 2-hour parking meters be installed at **a**) 1203 Washington Street and **b**) 1213-1215 Washington Street to allow customer parking at these locations. (Ward 3) [03/11/20 @ 10:49 AM]
- TC20-20 COUNCILORS KRINTZMAN, MARKIEWICZ AND GENTILE, requesting the establishment of a resident parking program and accompanying map for the village of Lower Falls. The resident parking program should seek to prevent commuters from using the streets of Lower Falls as parking for the Riverside MBTA station. (Ward 4) [03/24/20 @ 12:50 PM]
- TC66-19 <u>ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER</u>, requesting to prohibit parking at all times on the north side of Oak Street between Needham Street and Abbott Street in order to shift the double yellow center line and extend two approach lanes to Abbott Street beginning at Needham Street. (Ward 5) [10/08/19 @ 10:52 AM]

TC61-19 DR. THEO HILL, 48 Hollis Street, requesting removal of the following parking prohibitions on Hollis Street a) Prohibited entire length, south, west and north sides. b) Two-hour limit, entire length, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., north, east and south sides to accommodate parking for homeowners. (Ward 1) [09/13/19 @ 4:57 PM]

HELD 5-0, on 11/14/19. Held for a trial of the following: No restrictions, any time, outside of the horseshoe; No parking, any time, inside of the horseshoe. **HELD 5-0 on 04/16/20. Held to continue the following trial: No restrictions, any time, outside of the horseshoe; No parking, any time, inside of the horseshoe.**

TC15-19 JASON SOBEL, DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION OPERATIONS, requesting review and potential change to the mix of long-term and short-term metered parking spaces along Washington Street in the vicinity of Harvard Street. (Ward 2) [04/08/19 @ 10:05 AM]

HELD 4-0 on 04/11/19. Held for a trial to allow for the commissioner of DPW to assess and make changes to meter time restrictions in the vicinity of the Washington Street/Harvard Street intersection.

- TC73-18

 COUNCILORS NOEL, DANBERG AND SCHWARTZ, requesting to change the distribution of time limits in the Pleasant Street and Pelham Street Public Parking Lots in Newton Centre to install reserved spaces for EV Charging Stations and/or EV Shared Vehicles. (Ward 6) [11/19/18 @ 1:42 PM]

 HELD 5-0 on 11/29/18. Hold for a trial of the following: Up to four parking meters in the Pleasant Street Parking Lot may be removed and replaced by a combination of spaces reserved for shared electric vehicles and spaces reserved for electric vehicle charging. The location of these spaces, fees to be charged, and time limits to be posted will be determined by the Director of the Planning Department and Commissioner of Public Works. The method of enforcement will be determined by the Newton Traffic Bureau in conjunction with the Director of Planning and Development and the Commissioner of Public Works.
- TC51-18

 TRAFFIC BUREAU CAPTAIN PAUL ANASTASIA, DPW COMMISSIONER
 JAMES MCGONAGLE AND PLANNING DIRECTOR BARNEY HEATH,
 requesting temporary and permanent changes in terms of the location, duration,
 and pricing of public parking spaces, location of traffic signals, and changes to
 traffic circulation within and proximate to the Washington Street corridor in
 West Newton, to include abutting blocks of intersecting streets, in order to
 facilitate the reconstruction of the Washington Street corridor. (Wards 3 & 4)
 [08/01/18 @ 4:07 PM]

HELD 5-0 on 12/13/18. Hold for a trial of the following: Temporary and permanent changes in terms of the location, duration, and pricing of public parking spaces, location of traffic signals, and changes to traffic circulation within and proximate to the Washington Street corridor in West Newton, to include abutting blocks of intersecting streets, in order to facilitate the

reconstruction of the Washington Street corridor. Changes during the trial period will be approved by the Commissioner of Public Works in conjunction with the Director of Planning and Development and the Traffic Bureau Chief.

- TC50-18
- TRAFFIC BUREAU CAPTAIN PAUL ANASTASIA, DPW COMMISSIONER JAMES MCGONAGLE AND PLANNING DIRECTOR BARNEY HEATH, requesting temporary and permanent changes in terms of the location, duration, and pricing of public parking spaces, and changes to traffic circulation within and proximate to the Walnut Street corridor in Newtonville, to include abutting blocks of intersecting streets, in order to facilitate the reconstruction of the Walnut Street corridor. (Ward 2) [08/01/18 @ 4:07 PM]

HELD 5-0 on 12/13/18. Hold for a trial of the following: Temporary and permanent changes in terms of the location, duration, and pricing of public parking spaces, and changes to traffic circulation within and proximate to the Walnut Street corridor in Newtonville, to include abutting blocks of intersecting streets, in order to facilitate the reconstruction of the Walnut Street corridor. Changes during the trial period will be approved by the Commissioner of Public Works in conjunction with the Director of Planning and Development and the Traffic Bureau Chief.

- TC49-18
- TRAFFIC BUREAU CAPTAIN PAUL ANASTASIA, DPW COMMISSIONER JAMES MCGONAGLE, PUBLIC BUILDINGS COMMISSIONER JOSHUA MORSE AND COUNCILOR NORTON, requesting a long-term and flexible trial to be followed by potential changes to the official Traffic and Parking Regulations (TPR) for **East Side Parkway**. These changes support the opening of the new Cabot School and include changes to various elements of the TPR such as the implementation of a blue zone and changes to parking regulations. (Ward 2) [08/01/18 @ 4:04 PM]

HELD 5-0 on 01/24/19. Hold for a trial of the following: Long-term and flexible trial of changes to East Side Parkway to support the opening of the new Cabot School and to include changes to various elements of the TPR such as the implementation of a blue zone and changes to parking regulations. Changes during the trial period will be approved by the Commissioner of Public Works in conjunction with the Director of Planning and Development and the Traffic Bureau Chief.

TRAFFIC BUREAU CAPTAIN PAUL ANASTASIA, DPW COMMISSIONER

JAMES MCGONAGLE, PUBLIC BUILDINGS COMMISSIONER JOSHUA

MORSE AND COUNCILOR NORTON, requesting a long-term and flexible
trial to be followed by potential changes to the official Traffic and Parking
Regulations (TPR) for Parkview Avenue. These changes support the opening of
the new Cabot School and include changes to various elements of the TPR such
as closing the connection to Cabot Street, removal of the old blue zone and stop
sign, and changes to parking regulations, access, and circulation.

(Ward 2) [08/01/18 @ 4:04 PM]

HELD 5-0 on 01/24/19. Hold for a trial of the following: Long-term and flexible trial of changes to Parkview Avenue to support the opening of the new Cabot School and to include changes to various elements of the TPR such as closing the connection to Cabot Street, removal of the old blue zone and stop sign, and changes to parking regulations, access and circulation. Changes during the trial period will be approved by the Commissioner of Public Works in conjunction with the Director of Planning and Development and the Traffic Bureau Chief.

- TRAFFIC BUREAU CAPTAIN PAUL ANASTASIA, DPW COMMISSIONER JAMES MCGONAGLE, PUBLIC BUILDINGS COMMISSIONER JOSHUA MORSE AND COUNCILOR NORTON, requesting a long-term and flexible trial to be followed by potential changes to the official Traffic and Parking Regulations (TPR) for Bridges Avenue. These changes support the opening of the new Cabot School and include changes to various elements of the TPR such as parking regulations and direction of travel. (Ward 2) [08/01/18 @ 4:04 PM] HELD 5-0 on 01/24/19. Hold for a trial of the following: Long-term and flexible trial of changes to Bridges Avenue to support the opening of the new Cabot School and to include changes to various elements of the TPR such as changes to parking regulations, access, circulation and direction of travel. Changes during the trial period will be approved by the Commissioner of Public Works in conjunction with the Director of Planning and Development and the Traffic Bureau Chief.
- TRAFFIC BUREAU CAPTAIN PAUL ANASTASIA, DPW COMMISSIONER
 JAMES MCGONAGLE, PUBLIC BUILDINGS COMMISSIONER JOSHUA
 MORSE AND COUNCILOR NORTON, requesting a long-term and flexible
 trial to be followed by potential changes to the official Traffic and Parking
 Regulations (TPR) for Norwood Avenue. These changes support the opening of
 the new Cabot School and include changes to various elements of the TPR such
 as parking regulations, access, and direction of travel. (Ward 2) [08/01/18 @
 4:04 PM]

HELD 5-0 on 01/24/19. Hold for a trial of the following: Long-term and flexible trial of changes to Norwood Avenue to support the opening of the new Cabot School and to include changes to various elements of the TPR such as parking regulations and access. Changes during the trial period will

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be approved by the Commissioner of Public Works in conjunction with the Director of Planning and Development and the Traffic Bureau Chief.

Respectfully submitted,

David Koses, Transportation Coordinator Traffic Council Chair