

CITY OF NEWTON

IN CITY COUNCIL

TRAFFIC COUNCIL AGENDA

THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2020

Traffic Council will hold this meeting as a virtual meeting on Thursday, June 25, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. To view this meeting use this link at the above date and time https://us02web.zoom.us/i/94467649732

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ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION:

- TC17-20 MATTHEW KALISKY, 239 Watertown Street, on behalf of Jesse Corey, 64
 Oak Cliff Road, requesting on the north side of Watertown Street in Nonantum
 between Adams Street and Bridge Street the removal of 2-3 metered parking
 spaces, closest to Adams Street, in order for MBTA buses 59 outbound and 558
 inbound to pull over to board and alight passengers. Currently, the bus stop is
 within the main travel lane. (Ward 1) [03/05/20 @ 2:50 PM]
- TC110-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to remove the following entry from TPR-97 Left lane must turn left: Adams Street, southbound, onto Washington Street, and to add the following entry into TPR-97 Left lane must turn left: Washington Street westbound onto Lewis Terrace. Note that this item does not make any changes in the field and fixes errors in the TPR. (Ward 1) [05/15/20 @ 1:13 PM]
- TC111-20 <u>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR</u>, requesting to expand the no parking zone on Court Street near the intersection of Washington Street to account for the location of the new driveway and curb cut into the Garden Remedies Parking Lot. (Ward 2) [05/15/20 @ 1:13 PM]

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- TC96-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to remove the following entry from TPR-147 Obedience to isolated stop signs: Fuller Street at Commonwealth Avenue, South Drive, northbound and to add the following entry into TPR-147: Fuller Street at Commonwealth Avenue, South Drive, northbound (eastern intersection) and Fuller Street at Commonwealth Avenue, South Drive, northwestbound (western intersection). Note that this item does not make any changes in the field and fixes an error in the TPR. (Ward 3) [05/7/20 @ 11:27 AM]
- TC93-20 <u>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR</u>, requesting to remove the following entry from TPR-87. Left turns prohibited: Washington Street onto Waltham Street, eastbound vehicles, between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. and to add the following entry into TPR-87. Left turns prohibited: Washington Street onto Waltham Street. Note that this item does not make any changes in the field and changes the TPR to match existing field conditions. (Ward 3) [05/5/20 @ 4:14 PM]
- TC94-20 <u>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR</u>, requesting to add the following entry into TPR-87. Left turns prohibited: Commonwealth Avenue eastbound onto Woodbine Street. Note that this item does not make any changes in the field and changes the TPR to match existing field conditions. (Ward 4) [05/5/20 @ 4:14 PM]
- TC103-20 <u>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR</u>, requesting to insert the following entry into TPR-148. Obedience to yield signs: I-95/Massachusetts-128 Northbound, from right turn lane onto Washington Street. Note that this item does not make any changes in the field and fixes an omission in the TPR. (Ward 4) [05/11/20 @ 3:34 PM]
- TC101-20 <u>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR</u>, requesting to insert the following entry into Sec. TPR-148. Obedience to yield signs: Grove Street Bypass, from right turn lane onto Washington Street. Note that this item does not make any changes in the field and fixes an omission in the TPR. (Ward 4) [05/11/20 @ 3:34 PM]
- TC57-19 <u>ISAAC PRIZANT, TRAFFIC ENGINEER</u>, requesting to add into the Traffic and Parking Regulations (TPR) the existing "No Turn on Red" signs on all approaches of Beacon Street/Beethoven Avenue, with the eastbound approach "No Turn on Red" having a restriction of 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m., 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on school days. (Ward 5) [08/30/19 12:08 PM]
- TC92-20 <u>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR</u>, requesting to remove the following entry from TPR-87. Left turns prohibited: Oakvale Road, eastbound, into Chestnut Street. Note that this item does not make any changes in the field and changes the TPR to match existing field conditions. (Ward 5) [05/5/20 @ 4:14 PM]

- TC102-20 <u>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR</u>, requesting to insert the following entry into Sec. TPR-148. Obedience to yield signs: Quinobequin Road, northbound, from right turn lane onto Washington Street. Note that this item does not make any changes in the field and fixes an omission in the TPR. (Ward 5) [05/11/20 @ 3:34 PM]
- TC100-20 <u>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR</u>, requesting to insert the following entry into TPR-148. Obedience to yield signs: Elliot Street, northeastbound, from right turn lane onto Boylston Street. Note that this item does not make any changes in the field and fixes an omission in the TPR. (Ward 5) [05/11/20 @ 3:34 PM]
- TC95-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to remove the following entry from TPR-88. Right turn only. Grafton Street onto Commonwealth Avenue. Note that this item does not make any changes in the field and changes the TPR to match existing field conditions. (Ward 6) [05/5/20 @ 4:14 PM]
- TC91-20 <u>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR</u>, requesting to remove the following entry from TPR-87. Left turns prohibited: Lyman Street onto Centre Street. Note that this item does not make any changes in the field and changes the TPR to match existing field conditions. (Ward 6) [05/5/20 @ 4:14 PM]
- TC89-20 <u>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR</u>, requesting to remove the following entry from TPR-87. Left turns prohibited: Beacon Place onto Centre Street. Note that this item does not make any changes in the field and changes the TPR to match existing field conditions. (Ward 6) [05/5/20 @ 4:14 PM]
- TC107-20 <u>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR</u>, requesting to remove the following entry from TPR-147. Obedience to isolated stop signs: Pleasant Street at Park Lane, southbound. Note that this item does not make any changes in the field and changes the TPR to match existing field conditions. (Ward 6) [05/11/20 @ 3:34 PM]
- TC106-20 <u>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR</u>, requesting to insert the following entry into Sec. TPR-148. Obedience to yield signs: Union Street at Beacon Street, northeastbound. Note that this item does not make any changes in the field and fixes an omission in the TPR. (Ward 6) [05/11/20 @ 3:34 PM]
- TC105-20 <u>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR</u>, requesting to insert the following entry into Sec. TPR-148. Obedience to yield signs: College Road at Beacon Street, southwestbound. Note that this item does not make any changes in the field and fixes an omission in the TPR. (Ward 7) [05/11/20 @ 3:34 PM]

- TC104-20 <u>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR</u>, requesting to insert the following entry into Sec. TPR-147. Obedience to isolated stop signs: Hammond Pond Parkway, northbound, from right turn lane onto Beacon Street. Note that this item does not make any changes in the field and fixes an omission in the TPR. (Ward 7) [05/11/20 @ 3:34 PM]
- TC97-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to delete from Sec. TPR-147. Obedience to isolated stop signs, the following: Park Street at Franklin Street, eastbound and westbound, as well as Park Street at Franklin Street, northeastbound, and to insert into Section TPR-147. Obedience to isolated stop signs, the following: Franklin Street at Park Street, eastbound and westbound (eastern intersection), Park Street at Franklin Street, southbound (western intersection), & Park Street at Franklin Street, northbound (eastern intersection). Note that this item does not make any changes in the field and fixes errors in the TPR. (Ward 7) [05/11/20 @ 3:34 PM]
- TC90-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to remove the following entry from TPR-87. Left turns prohibited: Dedham Street, northbound onto Nahanton Street westbound at the northernmost intersection of Nahanton Street and Dedham Street. Note that this item does not make any changes in the field and changes the TPR to match existing field conditions. (Ward 8) [05/5/20 @ 4:14 PM]
- TC99-20 <u>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR</u>, requesting to delete following entry from TPR-148. Obedience to yield signs: Dedham Street at Nahanton Street, eastbound. Note that this item does not make any changes in the field and fixes an error in the TPR. (Ward 8) [05/11/20 @ 3:34 PM]
- TC98-20 <u>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR</u>, requesting to insert the following entry into TPR-148. Obedience to yield signs: Brookline Street, southbound, from right turn lane onto Dedham Street. Note that this item does not make any changes in the field and fixes an omission in the TPR. (Ward 8) [05/11/20 @ 3:34 PM]
- TC109-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to remove the following entry from Sec. TPR-96. No Turn on Red signs: Wheeler Road, westbound, onto Parker Street. Note that this item does not make any changes in the field and changes the TPR to match existing field conditions. (Ward 8) [05/15/20 @ 1:13 PM]
- TC108-20 <u>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR</u>, requesting to remove the following entry from Sec. TPR-96. No Turn on Red signs: Parker Street, northbound, onto Wheeler Road. Note that this item does not make any changes in the field and changes the TPR to match existing field conditions. (Ward 8) [05/15/20 @ 1:13 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]

ITEMS NOT YET SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION:

- TC114-20 <u>ISAAC PRIZANT, TRAFFIC ENGINEER</u>, requesting to evaluate and possible add a stop sign at the intersection of Lewis Street and Langdon Street. (Ward 1) [06/16/20 @ 9:42 AM]
- TC113-20 <u>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR,</u> requesting to change the parking regulations in front of Cook Restaurant and the Paint Bar in Newtonville to accommodate the MBTA bus stop, which has to be modified due to a new bump out at the northeast corner of the intersection of Washington Street at Walnut Street. (Ward 2) [06/02/20 @ 1:21 PM]
- 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 STEVEN DONATO, 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]
- 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.

TC47-18

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 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.

TC46-18

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 **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 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