

CITY OF NEWTON

IN CITY COUNCIL

TRAFFIC COUNCIL ACTIONS

THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2020

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 in approximately two weeks following the above meeting date.

Remote Participation:

Present: David Koses, Traffic Council Chair; Captain Anastasia, Newton Police Department; Isaac Prizant, Traffic Engineer; Councilor Downs and Alicia Wilson, Resident Member

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]

ACTION: **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 641. TPR 641 approves option 2, which removes two parking meters on the north side of Watertown Street, closest to Bridge Street, and relocates the MBTA bus stop location. The existing bus shelter remains in its current location. This item may be appealed through the close of business July 15, 2020.**

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]

ACTION: **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 642. This item may be appealed through the close of business July 15, 2020.**

TC111-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, 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]

ACTION: **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 643. This item may be appealed through the close of business July 15, 2020.**

- 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]
- ACTION:** **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 644.**
This item may be appealed through the close of business July 15, 2020.
- TC93-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, 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]
- ACTION:** **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 645.**
This item may be appealed through the close of business July 15, 2020.
- TC94-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, 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]
- ACTION:** **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 646.**
This item may be appealed through the close of business July 15, 2020.
- TC103-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, 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]
- ACTION:** **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 647.**
This item may be appealed through the close of business July 15, 2020.
- TC101-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, 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]
- ACTION:** **APPROVED AS AMENDED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 648. TPR 648 adds a yield sign on Quinobequin Road (Grove Street Bypass) southbound from the right lane onto Washington Street.**
This item may be appealed through the close of business July 15, 2020.

TC57-19 ISAAC PRIZANT, TRAFFIC ENGINEER, 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]

ACTION: **APPROVED AS AMENDED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 649. TPR 649 adds a “No Turn on Red” signs on all approaches of Beacon Street at Beethoven Avenue/Evelyn Road, at all times.**
This item may be appealed through the close of business July 15, 2020.

TC92-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, 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]

ACTION: **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 650.**
This item may be appealed through the close of business July 15, 2020.

TC102-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, 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]

ACTION: **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 651.**
This item may be appealed through the close of business July 15, 2020.

TC100-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, 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]

ACTION: **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 652.**
This item may be appealed through the close of business July 15, 2020.

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]

ACTION: **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 653.**
This item may be appealed through the close of business July 15, 2020.

- TC91-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, 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]
- ACTION:** **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 654.**
This item may be appealed through the close of business July 15, 2020.
- TC89-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, 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]
- ACTION:** **NO ACTION NECESSARY 5-0.**
- TC107-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, 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]
- ACTION:** **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 655.**
This item may be appealed through the close of business July 15, 2020.
- TC106-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, 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]
- ACTION:** **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 656.**
This item may be appealed through the close of business July 15, 2020.
- TC105-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, 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]
- ACTION:** **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 657.**
This item may be appealed through the close of business July 15, 2020.
- TC104-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, 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]
- ACTION:** **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 658.**
This item may be appealed through the close of business July 15, 2020.

- 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]
- ACTION:** **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 659.**
This item may be appealed through the close of business July 15, 2020.
- 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]
- ACTION:** **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 660.**
This item may be appealed through the close of business July 15, 2020.
- TC99-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, 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]
- ACTION:** **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 661.**
This item may be appealed through the close of business July 15, 2020.
- TC98-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, 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]
- ACTION:** **APPROVED AS AMENDED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 662. TPR 662 adds a yield sign on Brookline Street, westbound, from right turn lane onto Dedham Street.**
This item may be appealed through the close of business July 15, 2020.
- 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]
- ACTION:** **NO ACTION NECESSARY 5-0.**

TC108-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, 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]

ACTION: **NO ACTION NECESSARY 5-0.**

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]

ACTION: **HELD 5-0. Hold for a trial.**

Respectfully submitted,

David Koses, Transportation Coordinator
Traffic Council Chair