

CITY OF NEWTON

IN CITY COUNCIL

TRAFFIC COUNCIL ACTIONS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 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 within two weeks following the above meeting date.

Remote Participation:

Present: David Koses, Traffic Council Chair; Captain Jeffrey Boudreau, Newton Police Department; Mitchell Fischman, Resident Member, Councilor Markiewicz; and Isaac Prizant, Traffic Engineer

Also present: Councilor Greenberg; Councilor Leary; Sergeant Devine, Newton Police Department; Jini Fairley, ADA Coordinator; Jeremy Freudberg, Alternate Resident Member; Nathan Giacalone, Committee Clerk

AP3-20 GERTRUDE WALLACE, 62 Bourne Street, requesting an accessible parking space in front of 62 Bourne Street. (Ward 4) [10/07/20 @ 11:28 AM]

The Commission on Disability voted to Approve 7-0-1, on 10/19/20.

ACTION: **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 695. This item may be appealed through the close of business December 2, 2020.**

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]

ACTION: 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.

ACTION: 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.

ACTION: **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 696. TPR 696 creates an unrestricted parking zone abutting 48 Hollis Street and reinstates the two-hour limit, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., from a point 150 feet east of Centre Street (southern intersection), extending to the intersection of Centre Street (northern intersection) on the outside**

side of the horseshoe (even side). There is no parking permitted on the odd side.

This item may be appealed through the close of business December 2, 2020.

TC156-20 COUNCILORS LEARY, GREENBERG and DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, on behalf of Nicholas O'Connor of 154 Washington Street and Meagan McGinnes of 241 Tremont Street, Newton Corner, requesting to expand the Newton Corner Parking District to include Tremont Street, Whittemore Road, Hibbard Road, the section of Waverley Avenue between Tremont Street and Washington Street, and the section of Washington Street between St. James Street and the Boston City Line. If approved, this item would change the parking regulations in these areas and would allow residents to purchase a resident permit, which would permit them to park their vehicles for a longer period than the posted time limit allows. (Ward 1) [10/19/20 @ 11:40 AM] [REVISED 10/22/20 @ 1:58 PM]

ACTION: APPROVED AS AMENDED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 697. TPR 697 extends the Newton Corner Parking District to the following locations, with a 2-hour limit 8am-6pm, except by Newton Corner permit: Grasmere Street, Tremont Street, the section of Washington Street between Hibbard Road and the Boston City Line, the section of Waverley Avenue between Tremont Street and Washington Street, and Whittemore Road. Hibbard Road and the section of Washington Street between St. James Street and Hibbard Road are not included in the Parking District and the current parking regulations in these areas are not changed. This item restricts parking on the southern side of Whittemore Road due to the narrow width of the street, for safety purposes. This item may be appealed through the close of business December 2, 2020.

TC162-20 COUNCILOR GREENBERG, on behalf of Eric and Neelam Secemsky of 79 Grasmere Street, requesting to expand the Newton Corner Parking District to include: Grasmere Street. If approved along with other nearby streets, this item would change the parking regulations on Grasmere Street and would allow residents to purchase a resident permit, which would allow them to park their vehicles for a longer period than the posted time limit allows.

ACTION: No Action Necessary 5-0. See TC156-20 above.

TC158-20 JASON SOBEL, DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION OPERATIONS, requesting to remove or relocate the accessible parking space located on the east side of Walnut Street, approximately 175 feet north of Washington Street. (Ward 2) [10/20/20 @ 9:37 AM]

ACTION: **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 698. TPR 698 relocates the accessible parking space currently located on the east side of Walnut Street approximately 175 feet north of Washington Street, from a location abutting a buffered bicycle lane, to a point approximately 270 feet north of Washington Street, to a location abutting the curb.**

This item may be appealed through the close of business December 2, 2020.

TC157-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to update the Traffic and Parking Regulations (TPR) to account for changes to the parking regulations along Washington Street and Walnut Street associated with the construction of Trio Newton. These changes may include modifying the time limit at parking meters in this area. (Ward 2) [10/20/20 @ 9:37 AM]

ACTION: **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 699. TPR 699 modifies the parking regulations along the section of Walnut Street and Washington Street abutting Trio Newton to reflect existing conditions and changes the time limit at the meters in this area from a one-hour maximum to a two-hour maximum.**

This item may be appealed through the close of business December 2, 2020.

Nominations, Election and Discussion of term length for Traffic Council Chair

ACTION: **APPROVED 5-0. David Koses elected Traffic Council Chair through December 31, 2021.**

NOTE: Isaac Prizant nominated Mr. Koses as Traffic Council Chair effective through December 31, 2021. Mr. Koses accepted. Council members agreed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,
David Koses, Traffic Council Chair