



Public Safety & Transportation Committee Agenda

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Items Scheduled for Discussion:

- # 139-17 Possible Ordinance change regarding fines parking at a curb cut and at a fire hydrant**
COUNCILORS, DANBERG, BLAZAR AND SCHWARTZ, requesting a discussion of and possible ordinance change regarding fines associated with a) reducing the fines with parking at a curb cut and b) increasing the fines when parking at a fire hydrant.
[04/20/17 @ 12:00 PM]

Chair's Note: It is the Chair's intention to entertain a motion for No Action Necessary on the following item:

Referred to PS&T, Programs & Services, Public Facilities and Finance Committees

- #59-17** **Appropriate \$350,000 for construction of a Parks & Recreation/Police building**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate three hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000) from Overlay Surplus for the purpose of funding the construction of a new combined Parks & Recreation and Police Department facility to be located at the Elliot Street DPW yard. [02-17-17 @ 9:29 AM]
Public Safety & Transportation Held 5-0, Councilor Yates not voting on 03/08/17

Chair's Note: It is the Chair's intention to entertain a motion for No Action Necessary on Part B) on the following item:

This item was remanded to Traffic Council for a vote on part b) and c) on 06/08/17

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- #118-17** **Appeal of Traffic Council Decision of new yield sign on Walnut Hill Road**
COUNCILOR KALIS, appealing the Approval of TC19-17 Traffic Council Decision on April 13, 2017: TC19-17 YIGAL AGAM, 198 Woodcliff Road, requesting a) Stop sign on Walnut Hill Road, b) Stop sign on Woodcliff Road for southbound traffic and c) Median on Walnut Hill Road, so cars approach Woodcliff Road at a right angle to address safety concerns and deter speeders. (Wards 5 & 6) [07/27/15 @ 1:16 PM] [APPEAL FILED 04/18/17]
Note: Public Safety split the item into Part A and Part B.
Part A – APPEAL Approved Stop Sign on Walnut Hill Road
Part B – HELD stop sign on Woodcliff Road, southbound
Public Safety & Transportation Approved Part A and Held Part B 4-0, Councilors Fuller and Norton not voting on 06/07/17

Items Not Scheduled for Discussion at this meeting:

Referred to Public Safety & Transportation, Public Facilities, and Finance Committees

- #179-17** **Request for parking meter pilot(s)**
COUNCILORS ALBRIGHT, KALIS, LAREDO AND LEARY, requesting a parking meter pilot or multiple pilots in Fiscal Year 2018 using the latest technology, which allows payment by credit card and other features, such as monitoring meter usage, providing feedback to administrators, information to drivers, and allowing time-based fee adjustment. 05/22/17 @ 9:15 AM]
- #165-17** **Letter to the State in support of redesign of Auburndale Commuter Rail Station**
COUNCILORS ALBRIGHT AND FULLER, requesting a letter from the City Council (or those members of the City Council that are interested in signing) to the Secretary of Transportation Stephanie Pollack expressing strong support for the redesign and build with all deliberate speed of an accessible, two-platform Auburndale MBTA Commuter Rail Station that allows frequent service in two directions simultaneously while taking advantage of the funding that is available currently in the Fiscal Years 2017 – 2021 Massachusetts Department of Transportation Capital Investment Plan; and, the design and build of similar accessible, two-platform stations in West Newton and Newtonville. Accessible stations with frequent service are vital to the economic health, environmental needs, transit oriented development, employment access and transportation requirements of the residents and employees along this vital corridor in Newton. [05/30/17 @ 11:00 AM]
- #119-17** COUNCILORS NORTON, ALBRIGHT AND COTE, requesting a discussion regarding the MBTA's plans to redesign the Auburndale commuter rail stop and concerns about resulting reduction in service. [04/24/17 @ 6:33 AM]

- #71-17** **Amendment relative to docketing Traffic Council petitions**
PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE, proposing to amend **Sec. 19-29. Docketing of petitions; determination of eligibility for hearing.** by deleting section (c) (3). [03/10/17 @ 4:54 PM]
Public Safety & Transportation Held 4-0 on 04/05/17, Councilor Harney not voting

Referred to Programs & Services and Public Safety & Transportation Committees

- #46-17** **Discussion regarding how community policing works**
COUNCILOR ALBRIGHT, requesting a discussion with the Chief of Police and/or members of his department to explain to the City Council how “community policing” works in Newton, how it differs from traditional policing, how staffing differs from traditional departments, and how it benefits Newton. [02/20/17 @ 3:21 PM]
- #345-16** **Requesting a review, amendment or elimination of the Winter Overnight Parking Ban**
PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE, requesting a review and possible amendment or elimination of the winter overnight parking ban. [10/06/16 @ 9:10 AM]
Public Safety & Transportation Held 6-0 on 11/02/16

REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEES

- #312-15** **Update from Health Department on opiate overdose epidemic**
ALD. COTE, HARNEY AND NORTON, requesting a review and discussion of the opiate overdose epidemic including an update from the Health Department appraising the board on the current situation to include comparative statistics from previous years as to the number of opiate overdoses handled by first responders. In addition, what is being done immediately to take this on and what support can the Board provide. [10/19/15 @ 1:30 PM]
- #28-14** **Discussion on duplicate street names**
ALD. CICCONE AND FULLER, on behalf of the Health Department and the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) requesting a discussion on duplicate street names. [01/09/14 @ 10:57 AM]

REFERRED TO PS&T AND PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEES

- #413-11** **Updates on the renovations to the City’s fire stations**
ALD. CICCONE, SALVUCCI, GENTILE & LENNON, updating the Public Facilities and Public Safety & Transportation Committees on the progress of renovations to the city’s fire stations. [11/17/11 @ 11:07 AM]

Respectfully submitted,
Allan Ciccone, Jr. Chair