



Public Safety & Transportation Committee Agenda

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City of Newton
In City Council

Wednesday, January 19, 2022

7:00 PM

The Public Safety & Transportation Committee will hold this meeting as a virtual meeting on Wednesday, January 19, 2022 at 7:00 pm. To view this meeting using Zoom use this link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85020630409> or call 1-646-558-8656 and use the following Meeting ID: **850 2063 0409**

Items Scheduled for Discussion:

#66-22 **Annual Report of the work of the Traffic Council for 2021**
DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR providing the Annual Report of the work of the Traffic Council for 2021.

Referred to Public Safety & Transportation and Finance Committees

#112-22 **Request for the establishment of a fee relative to Permanent Outdoor Dining**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting the establishment of an annual fee of two-hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) per parking space for approved outdoor dining spaces and requesting such fee be waived for calendar year 2022.

#115-22 **Resolution on Upper Falls Greenway to Needham**
COUNCILORS DOWNS, CROSSLEY, KALIS, LIPOF, RYAN, NOEL, LAREDO, AND BOWMAN requesting a Resolution supporting a community bridge over Route 128 and the Charles River, connecting Upper Falls Greenway to Needham.

Respectfully submitted,
Andreae Downs, Chair

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City of Newton

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Ruthanne Fuller
Mayor

TRANSPORTATION DIVISION
110 Crafts Street
Newton, MA 02460

DATE: December 29, 2021

TO: Members of the Public Safety and Transportation Committee

FROM: David Koses, Transportation Coordinator

RE: #66-22 – DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR providing the Annual Report of the work of the Traffic Council for 2021

MEMORANDUM

On December 3, 2007, the Board of Aldermen approved as amended, docket item #421-05, which authorized changes to the structure of the Traffic Council. At that time, the Committee requested an annual update of Traffic Council Actions. The attached information is provided to the Committee as requested. **No action is necessary.**

During 2021, Traffic Council held eleven evening meetings (all virtual). As shown in Appendix A, during 2021 Traffic Council heard 102 items and took final action on all but ten of them. A list of all items heard during 2021 is shown in Appendix B, including the following ten items, which are still being held:

- TC5-21 COUNCILORS ALBRIGHT AND NORTON requesting to change the distribution of time limits in the Austin Street Public Parking Lot in Newtonville to install reserved spaces for EV Charging Stations and/or EV Shared Vehicles.
- TC6-21 COUNCILORS BOWMAN, DANBERG, AND NOEL requesting to change the distribution of time limits in the Hartford Street Public Parking Lot in Newton Highlands to install reserved spaces for EV Charging Stations and/or EV Shared Vehicles.
- TC149-20 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to update the Traffic and Parking Regulations to reflect all of the changes associated with the reconstruction of Needham Street.

- TC21-21 JASON SOBEL, DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION OPERATIONS, requesting that Traffic Council hold this item for a long-term trial of the following to accommodate the reconstruction of the Library Parking Lot: Change the traffic flow on Homer Street between Commonwealth Avenue and Walnut Street to allow for a one-way circulation, change the parking locations and regulations along this section of Homer Street to include the creation of additional parking, and, if needed, allow for the creation of permit parking on nearby residential streets for City Hall and Library employees as well as other related needs. After construction is completed, conditions will revert back unless subsequent items are docketed and approved by Traffic Council for permanent changes
- TC34-21 COUNCILORS BOWMAN, DANBERG, AND NOEL, requesting to change the parking regulations on a portion of Station Avenue to allow for the installation of an in-street Bluebikes Station.
- TC48-21 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to modify Sec. TPR-194. Time limits in municipal off-street parking areas, and possibly to modify Sec. TPR-176. Parking regulations pertaining to particular streets, in order to move forward with a long-term trial of a parking permit plan for Newton Centre employees
- TC57-21 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to continue an ongoing trial of the closure of Philip Bram Way at the intersection of Austin Street. Note that this item makes no change in the field and allows for a continuation of a trial first approved as part of TC50-18.
- TC71-21 COUNCILORS GREENBERG, LEARY, AND OLIVER requesting to restrict parking on the north side of Clinton Street, to ensure safe access for emergency, trash and recycling vehicles. This may include removing or relocating accessible parking on the street.
- TC79-21 ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to trial a parking restriction on the east side of Centre Street, beginning at Allerton Road heading 50 feet southerly, to improve sight lines exiting Allerton Road westbound.
- TC87-21 COUNCILORS GREENBERG, LEARY AND OLIVER, requesting to discuss, review and potentially change all the parking regulations along the entire length of Adams Street in Nonantum, on both sides, to better address current land uses and parking needs along the corridor.

During 2021, Traffic Council did not deny any item that was discussed. The following is the only Traffic Council item that was appealed to City Council in 2021:

- TC54-21 COUNCILORS BOWMAN, DANBERG, KALIS, AND RYAN requesting to review and potentially approve stop signs at the following locations as they intersect with Parker Street: 1. Howe Road, westbound; 2. Marcellus Drive, eastbound; 3. Whitlesey Road, westbound; 4. Melina Road, westbound; 5. Howley Avenue, eastbound; 6. Parker Terrace, westbound; 7. Roosevelt Road, westbound; 8. Parker Road, eastbound; 9. Truman Road, eastbound; 10. Kendall Road, eastbound; 11. Parker Avenue, eastbound; 12. Stearns Street, eastbound; 13. Walter Street, westbound; 14. Browning Road, eastbound; 15. Ridge Avenue, westbound

ACTION: APPROVE 5-0. Traffic Council voted add all 15 stop signs. An appeal was filed to prevent the installation of a stop sign at the intersection of Parker Road & Parker Street. CITY COUNCIL SUBSEQUENTLY VOTED TO DENY THE APPEAL, THEREBY UPHOLDING THE VOTE OF THE TRAFFIC COUNCIL.

APPENDIX A: Summary of 2021 Traffic Council Actions

Traffic Council Meetings	Number:	11
Distribution by Vote		
	Number	Pct
No Action Necessary	6	6%
Approved	79	77%
Approved as Amended	7	7%
Denied	0	0%
Heard in 2021, Held, and still being held at end of 2021	10	10%
Number of Unique Items Handled:	102	100%
Trials Undertaken in 2021	12	12%
Distribution of Items by Ward		
	Number	Pct
1	20	20%
2	14	14%
3	3	3%
4	15	15%
5	6	6%
6	18	18%
7	3	3%
8	6	6%
<i>Multiple Wards</i>	17	17%
Total Number of Items Heard:	102	100%
Appeals of Traffic Council Decisions		
	1	1%
Backlog during 2021		
	# of Items	Date
Average	27	
Minimum Backlog	21	1.28.21
Maximum Backlog	32	5.19.21

APPENDIX B: List of All Traffic Council Items Heard During 2021

Date	TC #	Description	Hold	N A N	Approve	Approve as Amended	Deny	Trial	Appeal	Ward
1.28.21	AP 4-20	JINI FAIRLEY, ADA COORDINATOR, requesting an accessible parking space at 897 Washington Street in front of the Newtonville Post Office to enhance safety.			X					2
1.28.21	AP 5-20	COUNCILOR LEARY requesting to remove the accessible parking space in front of 69 Clinton Street which is no longer used.			X					1
1.28.21	TC 15 4-20	AMY MCPHERSON, 56 Newtonville Avenue, requesting one stop sign onto Mt. Ida Street at the "T" intersection with Newtonville Avenue to address safety concerns.			X					1
1.28.21 and 9.23.21	TC 16 0-20	BRENDAN COHN, 115 Jewett Street, Unit 3, requesting a parking prohibition in front of 399 Washington Street to enhance safety.			X			X		1
1.28.21	TC 15 0-20	AMANDA STAHL, 37 Manchester Road, requesting a stop sign at the "T" intersection of Kingman and Manchester Roads to deter speeders.			X					6
1.28.21	TC 15 5-20	MARIE CARNEGIE, 18 Concord Street, requesting a two-way stop sign at the intersection of Pine Grove Avenue and Concord Street to enhance safety.		X						4
1.28.21	TC 13 4-20	COUNCILOR KRINTZMAN, requesting review and possible installation of a new stop sign on Asheville Road, northwestbound, at the intersection of Crehore Drive.			X					4
1.28.21	TC 1-21	COUNCILORS LIPOF, KALIS, AND RYAN and DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, on behalf of the Solomon Schechter School, requesting discussion and possible action to add a Blue Zone on Wells Avenue in the vicinity of the Solomon Schechter School driveway.			X					8
1.28.21	TC 16 1-20	COUNCILOR DOWNS, requesting to close the Commonwealth Avenue Carriage Lane between Bristol Road and Chestnut Street to vehicular travel (leaving open for walking and biking).			X					3

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1.28. 21	TC 14 9- 20	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to update the Traffic and Parking Regulations to reflect all of the changes associated with the reconstruction of Needham Street.	X					X		5 and 8
2.25. 21	TC 13 3- 20	ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to approve a stop sign at the Sylvan Avenue southbound approach to Bigelow Road.			X					2
2.25. 21	TC 5- 21	COUNCILORS ALBRIGHT AND NORTON requesting to change the distribution of time limits in the Austin Street Public Parking Lot in Newtonville to install reserved spaces for EV Charging Stations and/or EV Shared Vehicles.	X					X		2
2.25. 21	TC 6- 21	COUNCILORS BOWMAN, DANBERG, AND NOEL requesting to change the distribution of time limits in the Hartford Street Public Parking Lot in Newton Highlands to install reserved spaces for EV Charging Stations and/or EV Shared Vehicles.	X					X		6
2.25. 21	TC 13 2- 20	ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to approve a stop sign at the Alexander Road northbound approach to Walnut Hill Road.			X					6
2.25. 21	TC 4- 21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add a stop sign into the TPR at the intersection of Mildred Road at Elinor Road, northwestbound. This item does not make any change in the field and will fix an omission in the TPR.			X					6 and 8
2.25. 21	TC 2- 21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to update the TPR to reflect that there is no standing, all days, any time, on Beacon Street between Beethoven Avenue and Amy Circle, on the north and south sides. This item does not make any change to existing signage in the field and clarifies the official parking regulations.			X					5 and 6

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2.25.21	TC 16 3-20	ISSAC PRIZANT, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to update the parking regulations on the north side of Beacon Street in front of the Parish of Good Shepherd in Waban to reflect existing signage. This item does not make any change in the field and corrects an omission in the TPR.			X					5
2.25.21	TC 3-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, proposing to change the official parking regulations on Cherry Street to match the existing posted signage. This item would not make any change to the posted signage in the field.			X					3
2.25.21	TC 15 9-20	ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to add a No Turn on Red restriction to the Beacon Street Extension eastbound approach to Washington Street.			X					4 and 5
2.25.21	TC 16 4-20	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to review, correct and potentially change the official parking regulations on Beacon Street Extension. Note that the official parking regulations currently included for Beacon Street Extension (a private way) in the City Traffic and Parking Regulations differs from the signage which is currently posted on the street.				X				4 and 5
2.25.21	TC 7-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add a stop sign into the TPR at the intersection of Swallow Drive and Baker Place, westbound. This item does not make any change in the field and will fix an omission in the TPR.			X					4
3.25.21	AP 1-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, on behalf of local residents requesting to remove the following accessible parking space as it is no longer needed: Chapel Street: In front of 180 Chapel Street			X					1
3.25.21	TC 20-21	ISAAC PRIZANT, TRAFFIC ENGINEER, on behalf of local residents, requesting to add a stop sign at the end of Acacia Avenue at Lee Road			X					7

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3.25.21	TC 21-21	JASON SOBEL, DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION OPERATIONS, requesting that Traffic Council hold this item for a long-term trial of the following to accommodate the reconstruction of the Library Parking Lot: Change the traffic flow on Homer Street between Commonwealth Avenue and Walnut Street to allow for a one-way circulation, change the parking locations and regulations along this section of Homer Street to include the creation of additional parking, and, if needed, allow for the creation of permit parking on nearby residential streets for City Hall and Library employees as well as other related needs. After construction is completed, conditions will revert back unless subsequent items are docketed and approved by Traffic Council for permanent changes	X					X		2 and 6
3.25.21	TC 19-21	ISAAC PRIZANT, TRAFFIC ENGINEER, requesting to add a left turn prohibition from the Commonwealth Avenue Carriageway onto Commonwealth Avenue at the closest intersection to the east of Centre Street			X					6 and 7
3.25.21	TC 15-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to remove the 2 stop signs still listed in the TPR at the intersection of Linwood Avenue & Crafts Street, which were replaced by a traffic signal. This item does not make any change in the field and will fix an error in the TPR.			X					1 and 2
3.25.21	TC 12-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, on behalf of local residents, requesting to add a stop sign at the end of Clarendon Street, in the northbound direction, as it intersects with Norwood Avenue			X					2
3.25.21	TC 9-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to insert into the provisions of Sec. TPR-89. Right turns prohibited., the following: driveway of 255 Washington Street onto Jefferson Street. This item does not make any change in the field and will fix an omission in the TPR.			X					1

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3.25.21	TC 8-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to delete from the provisions of Sec. TPR-85. One-way streets., Jefferson Street, from Centre Street to Williams Street, and to replace it with One-way streets., Jefferson Street, from a point 210 feet east of Centre Street to William Street. This item does not make any change in the field and will fix an error in the TPR			X					1
3.25.21	TC 11-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add a yield sign into TPR-148 at the following location: Waltham Street, southbound (western leg) at Waltham Street (eastern leg), at a point approximately 275 feet south of Crafts Street. This item does not make any change in the field and will fix an omission in the TPR.			X					3
3.25.21	TC 10-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add the "Do Not Enter" from 7 AM to 4 PM restriction at the intersection of Woodland Road & Hancock Street into the TPR. This item does not make any change in the field and will fix an omission in the TPR.			X					4
3.25.21	TC 13-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add a stop sign on Islington Rd, at the Commonwealth Ave Carriage Road, southbound into the TPR. This item does not make any change in the field and will fix an omission in the TPR			X					4
3.25.21	TC 14-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add the 4 existing stop signs at the intersection of West Pine, Melrose and Staniford Streets into the TPR. This item does not make any change in the field and will fix an error or omission in the TPR.			X					4
3.25.21	TC 16-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add into the TPR the existing stop sign at the intersection of Leslie Road at Day Street. This item does not make any change in the field and will fix an omission in the TPR.			X					4

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3.25.21	TC 17-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add into the TPR the existing stop sign at the intersection of Hancock Street at Grove Street. This item does not make any change in the field and will fix an omission in the TPR.			X					4
3.25.21	TC 18-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to remove this duplicate stop sign entry from the TPR: Webster Street at Rowe St, southwestbound. This item does not make any change in the field & will fix a duplicate entry in the TPR			X					4
4.29.21	TC 24-21	COUNCILORS BOWMAN, DANBERG, DOWNS, KALIS, LIPOF, NOEL, AND RYAN, requesting that Traffic Council approve the removal of parking along both sides of the section of Cypress Street between Parker Street and Centre Street as well as the removal of parking along both sides of the entirety of Parker Street, at all times and for all vehicles, to allow for the creation of northbound and southbound marked bicycle lanes.			X					6
4.29.21	TC 27-21	COUNCILORS BOWMAN, DANBERG, AND NOEL, requesting review and potential approval of a stop sign on Erie Avenue, eastbound, at Hartford Street.			X					6
4.29.21	TC 25-21	ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to review the intersection of Wendell Road and Boulder Road for stop sign additions.			X					8
4.29.21	TC 23-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add a stop sign into the TPR at the following location: Roland Street at Charlemont Street, northeastbound. This item will not make any changes in the field and fixes an omission in the TPR.			X					8
4.29.21	TC 22-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add a stop sign into the TPR at the following location: Washington Terrace at Washington Street, southbound, as was approved by Mark Development's Trio Newton development. This item will not make any changes in the field and fixes an omission in the TPR.			X					2

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4.29. 21	TC 26- 21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to change the parking regulations on Derby Street FROM this: (2) Prohibited, school days, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.: a) South side from Cherry Street 141 feet westerly. TO THE FOLLOWING: (2) Prohibited, school days, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.: a) South side from Pershing Road to Cherry Street. This item will not make any changes in the field and updates the TPR to match existing signage.				X				3 and 4
5.19. 21	TC 34- 21	TC34-21 COUNCILORS BOWMAN, DANBERG, AND NOEL, requesting to change the parking regulations on a portion of Station Avenue to allow for the installation of an in-street Bluebikes Station.	X					X		6
5.19. 21	TC 35- 21	TC35-21 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add the following parking regulations back into the TPR which were not included at the April 29, 2021 Traffic Council meeting in error: Prohibited, all days, South side, from Sheridan Street easterly 175 feet and Prohibited, all days, North side, from Parmenter Street westerly 175 feet. Note that this item will not make any changes in the field and will fix an omission in the TPR.				X				3 and 4
6.24. 21 and 11.18 .21	TC 32- 21	COUNCILORS GREENBERG, LEARY, AND OLIVER, requesting to review and modify the parking regulations on the public portion and potentially on the private portion of Los Angeles Street. Note that unanimous agreement is required among property owners on the private portion of Los Angeles Street before an official change could be made along that section of Los Angeles Street			X			X		1
6.24. 21 and 11.18 .21	TC 31- 31	RALPH VISOCCHI, 17 Chandler Street, requesting no parking and/or other limitations to on-street parking on Chandler Street.			X			X		1
6.24. 21	TC 28- 21	CHRISTOPHER LAROSSA, 31 Vista Avenue, requesting a change to the TPR on Vista Avenue, which may include joining the Auburndale Village Parking District, with permit parking on one or both sides.			X					4

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6.24.21	TC 30-21	ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER, requesting to approve a stop sign at each Rowe Street southbound approach to Commonwealth Avenue (main roadway)			X					4
6.24.21	TC 29-21	ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER, requesting to approve a stop sign on the Carriage Way westbound approach to Rowe St.			X					4
6.24.21	TC 33-21	ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER, requesting to add a stop sign at the end of Moreland Avenue as it intersects with Pine Crest Road.			X					6
6.24.21	TC 43-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add a stop sign at the end of Broadway as it intersects with Watertown Street			X					1
6.24.21	TC 41-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add the following sign into Sec. TPR-96. No Turn on Red signs: Walker Street at Watertown Street, northbound. Note that this item makes no change in the field and fixes an omission in the TPR.			X					2
6.24.21	TC 40-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to remove the following from Sec. TPR-220. Parking prohibitions for tow zones: Lowell Avenue (1) Tow-away zone, on school days, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., east side, from Hull Street to Elm Road. (2) Tow-away zone, on school days, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., east side, from Hull Street southerly 900 feet. Note that this item makes no change in the field and fixes an error in the TPR.			X					2
6.24.21	TC 38-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add the following stop sign into TPR-147. Obedience to isolated stop signs: Bow Road at Cypress Street, eastbound. Note that this item makes no change in the field and fixes an omission in the TPR			X					6
6.24.21	TC 36-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to remove the following stop sign from into TPR-147. Obedience to isolated stop signs to match existing conditions: Duncklee Street at Beverly Road, eastbound. Note that this item makes no change in the field and fixes an error in the TPR.			X					6

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6.24.21	TC 39-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add the following stop sign into TPR-147. Obedience to isolated stop signs: Maple Street at Nonantum Road, eastbound. Note that this item makes no change in the field and fixes an omission in the TPR			X					1
6.24.21	TC 37-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to remove the following stop sign from TPR-147. Obedience to isolated stop signs: Collins Road at Beacon Street, northbound. Note that this item makes no change in the field and fixes an error in the TPR.			X					5
7.22.21	TC 48-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to modify Sec. TPR-194. Time limits in municipal off-street parking areas, and possibly to modify Sec. TPR-176. Parking regulations pertaining to particular streets, in order to move forward with a long-term trial of a parking permit plan for Newton Centre employees	X					X		6
7.22.21	TC 49-21	COUNCILORS DOWNS AND HUMPHREY, requesting the approval and installation of new stop signs at the following locations: Allen Avenue southbound at Woodward Street; Pine Ridge Road eastbound at Allen Avenue; Plainfield Street eastbound at Allen Avenue; Avalon Road eastbound at Allen Avenue; and Woodhaven Road eastbound at Allen Avenue.			X					5
7.22.21	TC 47-21	ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER, requesting to install a 'STOP' sign at the Druid Hill Road approach to Upland Avenue			X					8
7.22.21	TC 46-21	JASON SOBEL, DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION OPERATIONS, requesting to approve Safety Zones at the following locations: Walnut Street between Hull Street and Austin Street, Albemarle Road between Watertown Street and Crafts Street, East Side Parkway, Brandeis Road in the vicinity of Newton South High School, Dudley Road and Ellis Street.			X					Wards 1, 2, 3, 5, and 8

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7.22. 21	TC 50- 21	<p>JASON SOBEL, DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION OPERATIONS, requesting to update the TPR-146 Flashing warning light locations to include the overhead flashing signal at the intersection of Saint James Street / Charlesbank Road / Saint James Terrace, which flashes yellow for Saint James Street Northbound and Charlesbank Road Westbound, and which Flashes RED for Saint James Terrace Southbound.</p> <p>Note that this item makes no change in the field and fixes an omission in the Traffic and Parking Regulations.</p>				X				1
7.22. 21	TC 51- 21	<p>JASON SOBEL, DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION OPERATIONS, requesting to update the TPR to add a new stop sign into TPR-147 Obedience to isolated stop signs, at St. James Terrace southbound, since the Section 4L.02 of the MUTCD requires a stop on approaches that have a flashing red indication for intersection control</p>			X					1
7.22. 21	TC 52- 21	<p>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to update various parts of the TPR to reflect new public school begin and end times, including the change to the weekly early-release day and later High School start times.</p>				X				All wards
7.22. 21	TC 45- 21	<p>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to remove the following restriction from Sec. TPR-146. Flashing warning light locations. Dedham Street and Spiers Road: Flashing yellow.</p> <p>Note that this item makes no change in the field and fixes an error in the TPR.</p>				X				8
7.22. 21	TC 44- 21	<p>DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add the following restriction into Sec. TPR-87. Left turns prohibited: Centre Street Southbound onto Rice Street.</p> <p>Note that this item makes no change in the field and fixes an omission in the TPR</p>			X					6

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7.22.21	TC 53-21	ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER, requesting to delete from the TPR, the No Turn On Red sign, on Walker Street at Watertown Street, northbound, and to add No Turn On Red signs into the TPR for all approaches at the intersection of Watertown Street, Walker Street, and Edinboro Street. This item will supersede the previous approval of Traffic Council docket item TC41-21 on June 24, 2021			X					2
7.22.21	TC 54-21	COUNCILORS BOWMAN, DANBERG, KALIS, AND RYAN requesting to review and potentially approve stop signs at the following locations as they intersect with Parker Street: 1. Howe Road, westbound; 2. Marcellus Drive, eastbound; 3. Whittlessey Road, westbound; 4. Melina Road, westbound; 5. Howley Avenue, eastbound; 6. Parker Terrace, westbound; 7. Roosevelt Road, westbound; 8. Parker Road, eastbound; 9. Truman Road, eastbound; 10. Kendall Road, eastbound; 11. Parker Avenue, eastbound; 12. Stearns Street, eastbound; 13. Walter Street, westbound; 14. Browning Road, eastbound; 15. Ridge Avenue, westbound				X			X	6 and 8
9.23.21	TC 16 5-20	COUNCILORS LEARY AND GREENBERG, requesting to add EV Charging Stations and/or EV Shared Vehicles into the Adams Street Parking Lot.			X					1
9.23.21	AP 2-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add the accessible parking space located on Washington Street at the accessible ramp leading to the Newton-Wellesley Hospital into the TPR.			X					4
9.23.21	AP 3-21	JINI FAIRLEY, ADA COORDINATOR, requesting to add a second accessible parking space on Washington Street, between 2000 and 2014 at the accessible ramp leading to the Newton-Wellesley Hospital, into the TPR. This will require the removal of one parking meter.		X						4

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9.23.21 and 11.18.21	TC 61-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to review and potentially modify the parking regulations along the portion of Ward Street between Francis Street and Eastbourne Road.			X					7
9.23.21	TC 62-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to remove the parking restrictions from the TPR for the west side of Westbourne Road. Note that this item makes no change in the field and changes the official parking regulations to match existing field conditions.			X					7
9.23.21	TC 59-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to change the following entry in Sec. TPR-150. Safety Zones, as approved on July 22, 2021: Dudley Road, and to add the following in its place: Dudley Road between Brookline Street and Boylston Street. Note that this item does not make a change in the field and fixes an error in the TPR.			X					8
9.23.21	TC 60-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add the following traffic signals into the Sec 145 (c) of the TPR: Boylston Street (Route 9) eastbound offramp and Parker Street; Boylston Street (Route 9) westbound offramp at Parker Street and Clark Street extension. These signals are owned, operated, and maintained by MassDOT. Note that this item makes no change in the field and fixes omissions in the TPR.			X					6 and 8
9.23.21	TC 63-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add the following into Sec. TPR-96. No Turn on Red signs: Crafts Street at Linwood Avenue, all approaches. Note that this item makes no change in the field and corrects an omission in the TPR.			X					1 and 2
9.23.21	TC 64-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add the following into Sec. TPR-147. Obedience to isolated stop signs: Rowe Street at Auburndale Avenue, northbound. Note that this item makes no change in the field and corrects an omission in the TPR.			X					4

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9.23. 21	TC 66- 21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to delete the following in Section TPR-176 for Woodcliff Road: (4) Prohibited, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., both sides from Centre Street to Boylston Street, and to add the following in its place: (4) Prohibited, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., except Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays, west side, from Centre Street to Boylston Street, and (5) Prohibited, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., except Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays, east side, from Centre Street to Boylston Street, and renumbering thereafter. Note that this item makes no change in the field and corrects an error in the TPR.				X				6
10.21 .21	AP 4- 21	LAURA SEGOVIA for ASHLEY SEGOVIA, requesting an accessible parking space at 109 Dalby Street, Newton				X				1
10.21 .21 & 11.18 .21	TC 70- 21	ISAAC PRIZANT, TRAFFIC ENGINEER, requesting to modify the parking regulations on Beacon Street near Cold Spring Park.				X				6
10.21 .21	TC 68- 21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add a "no U turn" regulation into the TPR for Cypress Street at Bow Road, in both directions. Note that this item makes no change in the field and fixes an omission in the TPR.				X				6
10.21 .21	TC 73- 21	JASON SOBEL, DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION OPERATIONS AND ISAAC PRIZANT, TRAFFIC ENGINEER, requesting to add the following new RRFB locations in Newton Centre into the TPR: Cypress St at Cypress Lot, Centre St at Pelham St and Beacon St at Herrick Rd.				X				6
10.21 .21	TC 69- 21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to change the official parking regulations in the TPR for Glen Avenue to match existing signage, as is currently posted. Note that this item makes no change in the field and fixes an error in the TPR.				X				6 and 7
10.21 .21	TC 65- 21	ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to approve a stop sign at the westerly Sheffield Road approach to Highland Street, northbound.				X				2

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10.21 .21	TC 55- 21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to rewrite Section 176 of the TPR for Walnut Street to make it more user friendly. Note that this item will not make any changes to the parking regulations or signage in the field and will reorganize this section of the TPR while matching existing signage.			X					2, 6, 5, 8
10.21 .21	TC 67- 21	COUNCILOR NORTON requesting to prohibit parking, all times, on the west side of Walnut Street beginning at Lowell Avenue heading southerly 75 feet, to improve intersection sight lines and maneuverability.		X						2
10.21 .21	TC 50- 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.		X						2
10.21 .21	TC 56- 21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to make various changes in the TPR to reflect completed conditions in Newtonville resulting from the reconstruction of the Walnut Street corridor.			X					2
10.21 .21	TC 57- 21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to continue an ongoing trial of the closure of Philip Bram Way at the intersection of Austin Street. Note that this item makes no change in the field and allows for a continuation of a trial first approved as part of TC50-18.	X					X		2
11.18 .21	TC 71- 21	COUNCILORS GREENBERG, LEARY, AND OLIVER requesting to restrict parking on the north side of Clinton Street, to ensure safe access for emergency, trash and recycling vehicles. This may include removing or relocating accessible parking on the street.	X					X		1

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11.18 .21	TC 74-21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to remove the following accessible parking space as it is no longer needed: Clinton Street: south side; from Shamrock St; easterly 57 feet. Note that there has not been an accessible parking sign posted at this location in many years and this item officially removes the accessible parking space from the City's Traffic and Parking Regulations.			X					1
11.18 .21	TC 77-21	COUNCILORS BOWMAN, DANBERG, AND NOEL requesting to add stop signs on the following roadways as they intersect with Walnut Street: 1. Judith Road at Walnut Street, westbound; 2. Brentwood Avenue at Walnut Street, westbound; 3. Carthay Circle at Walnut Street, eastbound; 4. Lakewood Road at Walnut Street, eastbound; 5. Hyde Street at Walnut Street, westbound; 6. Duncklee Street at Walnut Street, eastbound; 7. Hillside Road at Walnut Street, eastbound.			X					6
11.18 .21	TC 78-21	ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting the following: Parking prohibited at all times on Watertown Street, north side, beginning at Capital Street heading 90 feet westerly. This item allows for DPW to return pavement marking hatching in this area that existed prior to paving.			X					1
12.16 .21	TC 75-21	DAVID KENNEY, 22 Agawam road, requesting the one-hour parking from 8:00am to 5:00pm., entire length, both sides, be changed to one-hour limit, 8:00am to 5:00pm., except by resident parking permit, entire length, both sides.			X					5
12.16 .21	TC 84-21	COUNCILORS DOWNS AND HUMPHREY requesting a Safety Zone on Allen Avenue.			X					5
12.16 .21	TC 85-21	COUNCILORS DOWNS AND HUMPHREY requesting a Safety Zone on Beethoven Avenue.			X					5

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12.16 .21	TC 79- 21	ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to trial a parking restriction on the east side of Centre Street, beginning at Allerton Road heading 50 feet southerly, to improve sight lines exiting Allerton Road westbound.	X					X		6
12.16 .21	TC 86- 21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add the following metered zone into the TPR, to correct an omission: Union Street between Langley and Beacon, south side. Note that eight parking meters have been installed along this section of Union Street, and this item will make no change in the field, with exception of the metered parking space positioned at the merge of Union Street at Beacon Street, which may be removed as a safety improvement. This item will also officially restrict parking on the north side of this section of Union Street, also representing no change in the field.			X					6
12.16 .21	TC 87- 21	COUNCILORS GREENBERG, LEARY AND OLIVER, requesting to discuss, review and potentially change all the parking regulations along the entire length of Adams Street in Nonantum, on both sides, to better address current land uses and parking needs along the corridor.	X							1
12.16 .21	TC 91- 21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add a No Turn on Red restriction at the intersection of Church Street at Washington Street			X					1
12.16 .21	TC 80- 21	COUNCILOR NORTON requesting to Change parking regulations on Washington Park to a 3-hour limit + Resident Parking Permit.		X						2
12.16 .21	TC 72- 21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting a discussion of the traffic regulations on Adams Street.		X						1



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January 10, 2022

Honorable City Council
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Honorable City Councilors:

I respectfully submit this docket item to this Honorable Council requesting the creation of a Permanent Outdoor Dining Program for Newton restaurants to include:

(1) Granting of administrative authority to the Commissioner of Public Works, the Director of Planning and Development, and the Police Chief to seasonably approve the use of on-street parking space for restaurant outdoor dining. As the City Council decides on this permanent change, the City has docketed with the Traffic Council the continuation of a temporary policy allowing DPW to approve on-street dining in parking spaces, similar to what happened during 2021. This item will be heard by the Traffic Council on Jan. 20, 2022.

(2) Establishing an annual fee for \$250 per parking space for approved outdoor dining spaces and requesting such fee be waived for calendar year 2022.

(3) Amending the Health and Human Services General Ordinance Section 12-70 (Permits for café furniture on sidewalks) (a) (3) in the following manner:

Sec. 12-70 (c) (3):

The number, type and placement of such tables, chairs, benches, shade umbrellas, barriers and other appurtenances shall be subject to the approval of the commissioner, in consultation with other appropriate departments of the city, including the fire, police, public works, inspectional services and planning departments, and in conformity with any applicable ordinances or general laws. ~~Subject to the discretion of the commissioner, after consultation with the fire, police, public works, inspectional services and planning departments, permits may be granted to allow for the placement of up to eight (8) chairs or a number of chairs that represents ten percent (10%) of the total seating capacity for the licensed premises, whichever is greater.~~

(4) Identifying the City pathway for restaurants seeking to continue to maintain outdoor dining on private property.

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Please see the attached memo from the Planning & Development Department's outdoor dining team (Commissioner Heath, Economic Development Director Bailin, Transportation Planning Director Freedman).

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ruthanne Fuller". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "R" and a distinct "Fuller" at the end.

Mayor Ruthanne Fuller



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Ruthanne Fuller
Jonathan Yeo, Chief Operating Officer

FROM: Barney Heath, Director, Department of Planning and Development
Nicole Freedman, Director of Transportation Planning
Devra Bailin, Director of Economic Development

DATE: January 6, 2022

RE: **Outdoor Dining Docket Request**

I would like to submit the following docket request for the Mayor's consideration:

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting the creation of Permanent Outdoor Dining Program for Newton restaurants to include:

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NEWTON UPPER FALLS AREA COUNCIL



November 29, 2021

City Councilor Deb Crossley
City Councilor Andreae Downs
City Councilor Bill Humphrey
City of Newton
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By email: dcrossley@newtonma.gov; adowns@newtonma.gov; bhumphrey@newtonma.gov

Dear Councilors Crossley, Downs, and Humphrey:

At our October meeting, we viewed a presentation from George Kirby about various possible extensions to the Upper Falls Greenway. Included in that presentation was a vision statement concerning a proposed bridge over Route 128. The Area Council met in November and unanimously approved the following vision statement:

By connecting Newton Upper Falls with Needham Heights, the proposed Community Bridge over Route 128 would provide active transportation and recreation access across the Charles River regional development area. The Upper Falls Greenway currently extends to the river, with upcoming spur connections to the Charles River Pathway in Newton, DCR trails along the river, and the Needham Crossing industrial area for recreational trail circulation and commuting. The Community Bridge across Route 128 would allow shopping and dining access and quality of life improvements to residents on both sides, plus access to the upcoming Northland mixed-use area and to the further growth anticipated at the Muzi parcel in Needham. The Community Bridge would make possible a regional greenway that could eventually connect Newton, Needham, Dover, and Medfield, providing residents the opportunity to enjoy an off-road bicycle and pedestrian experience rivaling the popular Minuteman Trail.

The Community Bridge project should be initiated with a community development and engineering study of the proposed bridge over Route 128 and rehabilitation of the Charles River Sunset Deck rail bridge connecting to the Upper Falls Greenway.

Please feel free to share this with your City Council colleagues as evidence of the Upper Falls's views on the Community Bridge project.

Sincerely,



Anil Adyanthaya
President
Newton Upper Falls Area Council

Cc: Barney Health, Director, Planning Department
Jennifer Steel, Chief Environmental Planner
Commissioner Nicole Banks, Parks Recreation & Culture
Newton Upper Falls Area Council

Resolution Supporting a Community Bridge over Route 128 and the Charles River

Whereas the Upper Falls Greenway is a beloved active bicycle and pedestrian transportation corridor connecting Upper Falls almost to Newton Highlands center, and

Whereas the City of Newton plans to connect the Greenway to Newton Highlands T stop & center, and

Whereas the Town of Needham Selectboard has a goal of connecting to the Greenway from the south, and

Whereas the development of multi-modal transportation options between the town and the City of Newton would likely benefit residents and businesses on both sides of the river and highway, and

Whereas a connected greenway would allow Needham residents to more easily access the Green Line at Newton Highlands and Newton residents to access the Commuter Rail at Needham Heights, and

Whereas the Upper Falls Greenway could further connect not just to trails along the Newton side of the Charles River (planned), but also to trails in Needham, and

Whereas the Muzi parcel as well as the Northland development will add population and businesses to both municipalities in upcoming years, and

Whereas the Needham portion of the rail trail is planned to extend and add recreational access through Dover to Medfield

Therefore, be it resolved that the City Council of Newton supports and encourages our mayor, and legislative delegation to join us in supporting a community development, engineering feasibility and preliminary design study toward the vision of a Community Bridge over Route 128 and rehabilitation of the Charles River "Sunset Deck" rail bridge connecting to the Upper Falls Greenway.