

CITY OF NEWTON

IN CITY COUNCIL

TRAFFIC COUNCIL ACTIONS

THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2022

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.

Voting Members Present: Captain Boudreau (Police), Councilor Downs, Mitchell Fischman (resident), David Koses (DPW) and Isaac Prizant (DPW)

Also Present: Councilor Bowman; Jeremy Freudberg, Alternate Resident Traffic Council Member

City Staff: Adrian Ayala, Transportation Engineer, Danielle Delaney, Committee Clerk Jini Fairley, ADA Coordinator

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. (Ward 1) [09/28/21 @ 11:58 AM]

**Held for Trial 5-0 on 11/18/21. Held for a trial of the following: No parking, Clinton Street, north side, all days.**

**ACTION: APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 806. TPR 806 makes the trial approved on 11/18/21 permanent. This item may be appealed through the close of business June 8, 2022.**

TC76-21 ANKUSH GUPTA, 404 Langley Road, requesting a 2-hour parking restriction on Langley Road, except with a Resident Parking Permit, across 393 Langley Road to 412 Langley Road. (Ward 6) [08/03/21 @1:33 PM]

**ACTION: DENIED 4-1 (Fischman opposed). This item may be appealed through the close of business June 8, 2022.**

TC16-22 COUNCILORS DOWNS, BOWMAN, DANBERG AND NOEL, requesting a Safety Zone on Lincoln Street near the Hyde Playground and extending to Walnut Street. (Ward 6) [03/02/22 @ 7:44 AM]

**ACTION: APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 807. This item may be appealed through the close of business June 8, 2022.**

TC15-22 COUNCILORS DOWNS, CROSSLEY AND HUMPHREY, requesting a Safety Zone on Chestnut Street near Bobby Braceland Park and extending to Oak Street. (Ward 5) [03/02/22 @ 7:44 AM]

**ACTION:** **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 808. This item may be appealed through the close of business June 8, 2022.**

TC20-22 DAVID KOSES, TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR, requesting to permanently remove parking on Hagen Road between Sheldon Road and Olde Field Road, to create the counterflow bike lane on this block of Hagen Road, which was implemented temporarily as part of a Traffic Council trial. (Ward 8) [04/01/22 @ 8:47 AM]

**ACTION:** **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 809. This item may be appealed through the close of business June 8, 2022.**

TC21-22 DAVID KOSES, TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR, requesting to permanently remove parking on the south side of Brandeis Road from Adeline Road to the Newton South High School property line, which was implemented temporarily as part of a Traffic Council trial. (Ward 8) [04/01/22 @ 8:47 AM]

**ACTION:** **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 810. This item may be appealed through the close of business June 8, 2022.**

TC9-22 ISAAC PRIZANT, TRAFFIC ENGINEER, requesting a review and the potential addition of stop signs at the intersection of Grove Hill Avenue and Prospect Avenue. (Ward 2) [02/02/22 @ 8:59 AM]

**ACTION:** **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 811. TPR 811 adds a stop sign at the intersection of Grove Hill Avenue and Prospect Avenue in the northbound direction and in the southbound direction. This item may be appealed through the close of business June 8, 2022.**

TC18-22 CAPTAIN BOUDREAU, requesting to add the currently posted “2 hour limit” (on the east side and cul-de-sac of St. James Circle) and the “no parking” prohibition (on the west side of St. James Circle) into the Traffic and Parking Regulations (TPR). Note that this item makes no change in the field and fixes an omission in the TPR. (Ward 1) [ 03/23/22 @ 2:02 PM]

**ACTION:** **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 812. This item may be appealed through the close of business June 8, 2022.**

TC25-22 JASON SOBEL, DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION OPERATIONS AND NICOLE BANKS, COMMISSIONER OF PARKS AND RECREATION, requesting the following to respond to changing conditions brought on by various municipal redevelopments and parking demands along Albemarle Road: Traffic Council shall be allowed to vote to allow a long-term trial on the northbound section of Albemarle Road between Watertown Street and Crafts Street, which may include changes to the location and regulations of the parking spaces along this stretch. Changes made during the trial period 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 makes permanent changes by voting to change the Traffic and

Parking Regulations. At any time, the Police Department may end any Traffic Council trial. (Wards 2 & 3) [05/06/22 @ 1:20 PM]

**ACTION:** HELD 5-0. Held for a long-term trial of the above docketed item.

TC23-22 DAVID KOSES, TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR, requesting to update the TPR for Floral Street to match existing posted signage. Note that this item makes no change in the field and fixes an error in the Traffic and Parking Regulations. (Ward 6) [04/01/22 @ 8:47 AM]

**ACTION:** No Action Necessary 5-0.

TC17-22 COUNCILORS DANBERG, BOWMAN, NOEL AND DOWNS, requesting to analyze and potentially remove *some* metered parking spaces on Lincoln Street *adjacent to crosswalks* to improve *driver visibility and* pedestrian safety. (Ward 6) [03/15/22 @ 2:41 PM] [REVISED 04/26/22 @ 9:46 AM]

**ACTION:** No Action Necessary 5-0. After 30 days, the following actions will be taken administratively:

- Remove Meters #5011 and #5029.
- Add the following language to the TPR: Sec. TPR-219. Parking prohibitions in areas that previously allowed parking., the following: The following parking spaces were removed in compliance with Sec. 19-166 (p):
- *Lincoln Street, south side, within 25 feet of a marked crosswalk near 26 Lincoln Street, previously marked as meter #5029.*
- *Lincoln Street, north side, within 25 feet of a marked crosswalk near 39A Lincoln Street, previously marked as meter #5011.*

Respectfully submitted,

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Traffic Council Chair