

CITY OF NEWTON

IN CITY COUNCIL

TRAFFIC COUNCIL ACTIONS

THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 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: Jeremy Freudberg, Alternate Resident Traffic Council Member

City Staff: Danielle Delaney, Committee Clerk

TC7-22 COUNCILORS LEARY, OLIVER, [AND GREENBERG], requesting to review and potentially change the parking regulations along all or a portion of Gardner Street, in order to balance resident parking needs with current and future school-related parking needs. (Ward 1) [01/25/22 @ 12:00 PM] [REVISED 01/28/22 @ 2:43 PM]

**Held 5-0 on 02/17/22. Traffic Council Held for a trial of Option 5, as presented at the Traffic Council meeting. Option 5 removes all existing parking regulations on Gardner Street. Option 5 adds the following parking regulations on Gardner Street:**

**Parking prohibited, all times, all days, east side;**

**Parking prohibited, all times, all days, south side;**

**No restrictions, any time, north side (remove all posted signage); and 15-minute limit, school days.**

**ACTION: APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 813. This item may be appealed through the close of business July 6, 2022.**

AP4-22 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting discussion and possible action to relocate the accessible parking space currently located on the south side of Gardner Street, in front of 22 Gardner Street, across the street to the north side of Gardner Street, as a safety improvement. (Ward 1) [05/27/22 @ 2:56 PM]

**ACTION: APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 814. This item may be appealed through the close of business July 6, 2022.**

- TC24-22 ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to add 'STOP' signage to the Silver Lake Avenue eastbound and westbound approaches to Adams Street. (Ward 1) [ 04/25/22 @ 11:08 AM]  
**ACTION:** **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 815. This item may be appealed through the close of business July 6, 2022.**
- TC28-22 ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to add a STOP sign to the Grove Hill Avenue southbound approach to Lakeview Avenue. (Ward 2) [05/17/22 @ 3:11 PM]  
**ACTION:** **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 816. This item may be appealed through the close of business July 6, 2022.**
- TC27-22 ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to add a STOP sign to the Prospect Street westbound approach to Beaumont Avenue. (Wards 2 & 3) [05/17/22 @ 3:11 PM]  
**ACTION:** **APPROVED AS AMENDED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 817. TPR 817 adds a stop sign at the Prospect Avenue westbound approach to Beaumont Avenue. This item may be appealed through the close of business July 6, 2022.**
- TC29-22 ADRIAN AYALA, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to add a STOP sign to the Adena Road northbound and southbound approaches to Derby Street. (Ward 3) [05/17/22 @ 4:40 PM]  
**ACTION:** **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 818. This item may be appealed through the close of business July 6, 2022.**
- TC6-22 PHARMACANN, INC., requesting a parking restriction near the site driveway of the proposed cannabis dispensary at 131 Rumford Avenue. In the event said restriction is approved, a new sign will be installed at the petitioner's expense east of the driveway reflecting said restriction; in the event the proposed new restriction is not approved, a new sign will be installed, at the petitioner's expense, west of the site driveway reflecting the existing parking condition. (Ward 4) [1/25/22 @ 10:47 AM]  
**ACTION:** **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 819. TPR 819 prohibits parking on the south side of Rumford Avenue from a point 280 feet west of Lexington Street, 120 feet westerly. This item may be appealed through the close of business July 6, 2022.**
- TC47-18 TRAFFIC BUREAU CAPTAIN PAUL ANASTASIA, DPW COMMISSIONER JAMES MCGONAGLE, PUBLIC BUILDINGS COMMISSIONER JOSHUA MORSE AND COUNCILOR NORTON, requesting a long-term and flexible trial to be followed by potential changes to the official Traffic and Parking Regulations (TPR) for **Bridges Avenue**. These changes support the opening of the new Cabot School and include changes to various elements of the TPR such as parking regulations and direction of travel. (Ward 2) [08/01/18 @ 4:04 PM]

**HELD 5-0 on 01/24/19. Hold for a trial of the following: Long-term and flexible trial of changes to Bridges Avenue to support the opening of the new Cabot School and to include changes to various elements of the TPR such as changes to parking regulations, access, circulation and direction of travel. Changes during the trial period will be approved by the Commissioner of Public Works in conjunction with the Director of Planning and Development and the Traffic Bureau Chief.**

**ACTION: APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 820. TPR 820 adds all the currently posted signage on Bridges Ave to the TPR and makes no additional changes. This item may be appealed through the close of business July 6, 2022.**

TC49-18 TRAFFIC BUREAU CAPTAIN PAUL ANASTASIA, DPW COMMISSIONER JAMES MCGONAGLE, PUBLIC BUILDINGS COMMISSIONER JOSHUA MORSE AND COUNCILOR NORTON, requesting a long-term and flexible trial to be followed by potential changes to the official Traffic and Parking Regulations (TPR) for **East Side Parkway**. These changes support the opening of the new Cabot School and include changes to various elements of the TPR such as the implementation of a blue zone and changes to parking regulations. (Ward 2) [08/01/18 @ 4:04 PM]

**HELD 5-0 on 01/24/19. Hold for a trial of the following: Long-term and flexible trial of changes to East Side Parkway to support the opening of the new Cabot School and to include changes to various elements of the TPR such as the implementation of a blue zone and changes to parking regulations. Changes during the trial period will be approved by the Commissioner of Public Works in conjunction with the Director of Planning and Development and the Traffic Bureau Chief.**

**ACTION: APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 821. TPR 821 adds all the currently posted signage on East Side Parkway to the TPR and makes no additional changes. This item may be appealed through the close of business July 6, 2022.**

TC48-18 TRAFFIC BUREAU CAPTAIN PAUL ANASTASIA, DPW COMMISSIONER JAMES MCGONAGLE, PUBLIC BUILDINGS COMMISSIONER JOSHUA MORSE AND COUNCILOR NORTON, requesting a long-term and flexible trial to be followed by potential changes to the official Traffic and Parking Regulations (TPR) for **Parkview Avenue**. These changes support the opening of the new Cabot School and include changes to various elements of the TPR such as closing the connection to Cabot Street, removal of the old blue zone and stop sign, and changes to parking regulations, access, and circulation. (Ward 2) [08/01/18 @ 4:04 PM]

**HELD 5-0 on 01/24/19. Hold for a trial of the following: Long-term and flexible trial of changes to Parkview Avenue to support the opening of the new Cabot School and to include changes to various elements of the TPR such as closing the connection to Cabot Street, removal of the old blue zone and stop sign, and changes to parking regulations, access and circulation.**

Changes during the trial period will be approved by the Commissioner of Public Works in conjunction with the Director of Planning and Development and the Traffic Bureau Chief.

**ACTION:** APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 822. TPR 822 adds all the currently posted signage on Parkview Avenue and the new Cabot School Bridges-to-Parkview Connector Roadway to the TPR and makes no additional changes. This item may be appealed through the close of business July 6, 2022.

TC46-18 TRAFFIC BUREAU CAPTAIN PAUL ANASTASIA, DPW COMMISSIONER JAMES MCGONAGLE, PUBLIC BUILDINGS COMMISSIONER JOSHUA MORSE AND COUNCILOR NORTON, requesting a long-term and flexible trial to be followed by potential changes to the official Traffic and Parking Regulations (TPR) for **Norwood Avenue**. These changes support the opening of the new Cabot School and include changes to various elements of the TPR such as parking regulations, access, and direction of travel. (Ward 2) [08/01/18 @ 4:04 PM] **HELD 5-0 on 01/24/19. Hold for a trial of the following: Long-term and flexible trial of changes to Norwood Avenue to support the opening of the new Cabot School and to include changes to various elements of the TPR such as parking regulations and access. Changes during the trial period will be approved by the Commissioner of Public Works in conjunction with the Director of Planning and Development and the Traffic Bureau Chief.**

**ACTION:** APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 823. TPR 823 adds all the currently posted signage on Norwood Avenue to the TPR and makes no additional changes. This item may be appealed through the close of business July 6, 2022.

TC30-22 DAVID KOSES, TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR, requesting to update the TPR to add a stop sign at the intersection of Melrose Street at Ash Street, to match existing posted signage. Note that this item makes no change in the field and fixes an omission in the Traffic and Parking Regulations. (Ward 4) [05/24/22 @ 7:52 AM]

**ACTION:** APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 824. This item may be appealed through the close of business July 6, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

David Koses, Transportation Coordinator  
Traffic Council Chair