

CITY OF NEWTON

IN CITY COUNCIL

TRAFFIC COUNCIL ACTIONS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 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 Doucette (Police), Councilor Downs, Mitchell Fischman (resident), David Koses (DPW) and Isaac Prizant (DPW)

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

City Staff: Danielle Delaney, Committee Clerk; John Sisson, Economic Development Director and Devante Thornton, Parking Manager.

AP6-22 ANN CAGGIANO, requesting an accessible parking space in front of 432 Lowell Avenue. (Ward 2) [09/21/22 @ 3:54 PM]

Commission on Disability Voted to Approve 12-0 on January 10, 2022

ACTION: APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 842. This item may be appealed through the close of business November 16, 2022.

TC34-22 COUNCILOR BOWMAN, requesting permanent changes and/or a trial of changes to the Tiger Permit Parking Program (Sec. TPR204. Newton North High School Tiger Parking Permits) including the total number of permits issued and possibly enabling additional permits to be distributed by the Newton North High School Administration. (Ward 2) [06/14/22 @ 1:41 PM]

HELD 5-0 on 07/21/22. Hold for a trial of the following: Increase the number of TIGER permits from 150 to 170. Of the 170 TIGER permits, 165 will be stickers and will cost \$60 each, as was approved by City Council. The remaining 5 TIGER permits will be transferable placards, and will be considered to be visitor passes, with no associated fee.

ACTION: APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 843. TPR 843 makes the trial permanent. This item may be appealed through the close of business November 16, 2022.

TC51-22 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR AND DEVANTE THORNTON, PARKING MANAGER, requesting to review and modify the parking in and near the West Newton Village Center along Watertown Street, Washington Street, Waltham Street, Chestnut Street and Elm Street. These changes may include modification of the time limits at metered and unmetered spaces, the addition of parking meters in areas which previously were not metered, the addition of a loading zone, and related changes. (Ward 3) [09/23/22 @ 6:12 AM]

ACTION: **HELD 5-0. Held to develop a final set of meter-related changes and use of curb space in the W Newton Sq. area based on input received, and to develop official TPR language, to be voted on at a subsequent Traffic Council meeting.**

TC22-22 PADDY'S PUBLIC HOUSE, 95 Elm Street, requesting that the temporary 15-minute take-out only parking space as mandated by the emergency order during COVID-19 be made permanent into a 15-minute take out only parking space. (Ward 3) [03/31/22 @ 8:43 AM]

HELD 5-0 on 07/21/22

ACTION: **NO ACTION NECESSARY 5-0.**

TC50-22 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR on behalf of Jayne Colino, Director of Senior Services, requesting a temporary pick-up / drop-off zone in front of the Brigham House on Hartford Street and in front of the Hyde Community Center on Lincoln Street, to help accommodate the temporary relocation of services during the reconstruction of the Senior Center in Newtonville. (Ward 6) [09/23/22 @ 6:12 AM]

ACTION: **HELD 5-0. Held for trail, which may continue until the Senior Center is relocated back to its renovated building in Newtonville.**

TC49-22 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to discuss and potentially change the parking regulations on Centre Street, southbound, just north of Pearl Street, to metered parking spaces. (Ward 1) [09/23/22 @ 6:12 AM]

ACTION: **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 844. TPR 844 adds approximately four long-term meters on the west side of Centre Street, near Bertucci's and the MBTA bus stop. This item may be appealed through the close of business November 16, 2022.**

TC48-22 ISAAC PRIZANT, TRAFFIC ENGINEER, requesting to add a stop sign at the intersection of Winchester Road at East Side Parkway, westbound. (Wards 1 & 2) [09/16/22 @ 3:50 PM]

ACTION: **APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 845. This item may be appealed through the close of business November 16, 2022.**

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. (Wards 2 & 6) [2/26/21 @ 9:13 PM]

ACTION: **Held 5-0 on 03/25/21. Held for a long-term trial.**
NO ACTION NECESSARY 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

David Koses, Transportation Coordinator
Traffic Council Chair