

CITY OF NEWTON

IN CITY COUNCIL

TRAFFIC COUNCIL ACTIONS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 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 Traffic Council Member, David Koses (DPW) and Isaac Prizant (DPW)

Also Present: Councilors Greenberg, Kelley, Leary, Oliver, Wright, Jeremy Freudberg, Alternate Resident Traffic Council Member

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

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]  
**HELD 5-0 on 10/27/22. 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.**

**ACTION: APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 846. This item may be appealed through the close of business December 7, 2022.**

TC51-18      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, location of traffic signals, and changes to traffic circulation within and proximate to the Washington Street corridor in West Newton, to include abutting blocks of intersecting streets, in order to facilitate the reconstruction of the Washington Street corridor. (Wards 3 & 4) [08/01/18 @ 4:07 PM]  
**HELD 5-0 on 12/13/18. Hold for a trial of the following: Temporary and permanent changes in terms of the location, duration, and pricing of public parking spaces, location of traffic signals, and changes to traffic circulation**

**within and proximate to the Washington Street corridor in West Newton, to include abutting blocks of intersecting streets, in order to facilitate the reconstruction of the Washington Street corridor. 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 847. This item may be appealed through the close of business December 7, 2022.**

TC52-22 COUNCILORS GREENBERG, LEARY, OLIVER, AND GILZA SANTOS, requesting a discussion with residents of Cook Street, the section of Chapel Street south of Watertown Street, and the block of Green Street between Cook Street and Chapel Street. The discussion will focus on the advantages and disadvantages of creating *Phase 1 of a Nonantum Village Parking District* on these streets. A Nonantum Village Parking District would feature \$25/year parking stickers along with free visitor placards, available to residents of these streets, which would override new time limits, which would be posted, and which would apply to all vehicles parked on these streets. Depending on public feedback, this docket item could be used by Traffic Council, at a subsequent meeting, to implement this new Parking District. This item may also include a discussion of adding meters into the City's Chapel Street and/or Adams Street Public Parking Lots in Nonantum, and converting the 3-hour parking spaces into a combination of short-term and long-term metered parking spaces. (Ward 1) [09/30/22 @ 11:23 AM]

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

TC57-22 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting changes to the parking regulations in the area of Watertown Street near 687 Watertown Street, and possibly abutting blocks, to prepare for the move of the Newton Early Childhood Program to 687 Watertown Street. (Ward 2) [11/02/22 @ 6:41 AM]

**ACTION: HELD 5-0. Hold for a trial.**

TC53-22 SERGEANT WADE, requesting an extension of the No Parking restriction on southbound Centre Street, just north of Allerton Road. (Ward 6) [10/06/22 @ 9:25 AM]

**ACTION: APPROVED 5-0. Approved the language of TPR 848. This item may be appealed through the close of business December 7, 2022.**

Respectfully submitted,

David Koses, Transportation Coordinator  
Traffic Council Chair