



Public Safety & Transportation Committee Agenda

City of Newton In City Council

Wednesday, January 18, 2023

7:00 PM

The Public Safety & Transportation Committee will hold this meeting as a virtual meeting on Wednesday, January 18, 2023 at 7:00 pm. To view this meeting using Zoom use this link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83105853149> or call 1-646-558-8656 and use the following Meeting ID: 831 0585 3149

Items Scheduled for Discussion:

#8-23 Annual Report of the work of the Traffic Council for 2022
DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR providing the Annual Report of the work of the Traffic Council for 2022.

Chair's Note: *In reference to Docket #67-22, At this meeting, we will hear about traffic, crash data, street safety, traffic calming measures already implemented and the removal of them for winter and snow operations.*

#67-22 Requesting regular discussion with the Police Department
COUNCILOR DOWNS requesting regular discussion with the Police Department of police data, including crashes, types of calls, numbers and dispositions.
Public Safety & Transportation Held 8-0 on 01/05/22
Public Safety & Transportation Held 6-0 on 03/23/22, Councilor Oliver not voting
Public Safety & Transportation Held 6-0 on 09/08/22
Public Safety & Transportation Held 7-0 on 12/07/22

#525-22 Request for an amendment to City Ordinances regarding outdoor dining
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting a discussion and amendment to City Ordinances necessary to continue outdoor dining on a permanent basis.
Public Safety & Transportation Held 7-0 on 12/07/22

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Chair's Note: *It is the Chair's intent to vote no action necessary on the following one (1) item:*

Referred to Public Safety & Transportation and Public Facilities Committee

#137-22 **Granting administrative authority to seasonably approve the use of on-street parking for outdoor dining**

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting to grant 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 spaces for restaurant outdoor dining.

Public Safety & Transportation Held 7-0 on 12/07/22

Respectfully submitted,

Andreae Downs, Chair

City of Newton

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Ruthanne Fuller
Mayor

TRANSPORTATION DIVISION
110 Crafts Street
Newton, MA 02460

DATE: January 3, 2023

TO: Members of the Public Safety and Transportation Committee

FROM: David Koses, Transportation Coordinator

RE: #8-23 – DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR providing the Annual Report of the work of the Traffic Council for 2022

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 2022, Traffic Council held eleven evening meetings (10 virtual and 1 hybrid). As shown in Appendix A, during 2022 Traffic Council heard 90 items and took final action on all but seven of them. A chronological list of all items heard during 2022 is shown in Appendix B, including the following seven items, which are still being held:

- TC8-22 COUNCILORS GREENBERG, LEARY AND OLIVER, requesting discussion and potential approval of a street sweeping trial on the following streets in Nonantum: Allison Street, Beech Street, Cook Street, Dalby Street, Faxon Street, Green Street (Cook St to Pearl St), Jasset Street, Kennedy Circle, Los Angeles Street, and Middle Street. The goal of the trial is to sweep streets once per month, on both sides, to provide for cleaner streets. In order to accomplish this goal, a significant number of poles and signs would need to be installed, on all streets within the trial area, to inform the public that parking would be restricted on both sides of all these streets for approximately four hours per month. Due to operational requirements, all parking on all these streets would need to be restricted during the same four hours each month, and all vehicles must be removed during these four hours, to allow for effective street sweeping.

- 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.
- TC43-22 JILL CHARNEY, 671 Grove Street, requesting to review and assess a change to the parking regulations on Grove Street between Washington Street and Colgate Road.
- 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.
- 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.
- TC58-22 JASON SOBEL, DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION OPERATIONS, requesting to permanently close the northbound block of Albemarle Road to vehicular traffic, in both directions, between Crafts Street and North Street, except for bicycles. This portion of Albemarle Road has been closed since September 2020 as part of an on-going Traffic Council trial.
- TC62-22 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting a long-term trial to address the additional parking demand along Lincoln Street and abutting streets in Newton Highlands, resulting from the temporary Senior Center relocation.

During 2022, Traffic Council discussed and subsequently voted to deny the following two docket items:

- TC81-22 MAREN CONIGLIONE, 39 School Street, requesting installation of a four-way stop at the intersection of Pearl Street, School Street, and Thornton Street.
- 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.

The following is the only Traffic Council item that was appealed to City Council in 2022:

- TC46-22 DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add a stop sign at the end of Exeter Street at Berkeley Street.
ACTION: APPROVE 4-0-1 (Downs abstained). Traffic Council approved the language of TPR 839, to add the stop sign at the end of Exeter Street at Berkeley Street. CITY COUNCIL SUBSEQUENTLY VOTED TO DENY THE APPEAL, THEREBY UPHOLDING THE VOTE OF THE TRAFFIC COUNCIL.

On July 11, 2022, the City Council voted on item #326-22, which allowed for administrative changes to be made by staff to the Traffic and Parking Regulations (TPR). These changes would reflect conditions which already exist in the field, but which are not reflected in the TPR. These changes would be presented each year to City Council as part of the annual report of the work of the Traffic Council. As a result, 49 administrative changes were made to the TPR. A list of all administrative changes made by staff to the TPR during 2022, sorted by Ward, is shown in Appendix C.

APPENDIX A: Summary of 2022 Traffic Council Actions

Traffic Council Meetings	Number:	11
Distribution by Vote		
	Number	Pct
No Action Necessary	14	16%
Approved	66	73%
Approved as Amended	1	1%
Denied	2	2%
Heard in 2022, Held, and still being held at end of 2022	7	8%
Number of Unique Items Handled:	90	100%
Trials Undertaken in 2022	10	11%
Distribution of Items by Ward		
	Number	Pct
1	16	18%
2	20	22%
3	5	6%
4	4	4%
5	6	7%
6	17	19%
7	2	2%
8	7	8%
<i>Multiple Wards</i>	13	14%
Total Number of Items Heard:	90	100%
Appeals of Traffic Council Decisions		
	1	1%
Backlog during 2022		
	# of Items	Date
Average	24	
Minimum Backlog	18	12.15.22
Maximum Backlog	28	1.20.22

APPENDIX B: List of All Traffic Council Items Heard During 2022

Date	TC #	Description	Hold	N A N	Approve	Approve as Amended	Deny	Trial	Appeal	Ward
1.20. 22	AP 6- 21	ANN CAGGIANO, requesting an accessible parking space at 432 Lowell Avenue.		X						2
1.20. 22	TC 82- 21	ISAAC PRIZANT, TRAFFIC ENGINEER, requesting to add stop signs at the following intersections: (1) Fox Lane at Arnold Road, westbound; (2) Fox Place at Arnold Road, eastbound.			X					8
1.20. 22	TC 83- 21	ISAAC PRIZANT, TRAFFIC ENGINEER, requesting to restrict right turns on red at the intersection of Commonwealth Avenue at Centre Street.			X					2, 6, 7
1.20. 22	TC 81- 21	MAREN CONIGLIONE, 39 School Street, requesting installation of a four-way stop at the intersection of Pearl Street, School Street, and Thornton Street.					X			1
1.20. 22	TC 90- 21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to split the column "accessible or other" into two or more columns in the charts in Sections 194 and 196 of the TPR in order to correct and clarify the number of accessible parking spaces located within our off-street parking areas.			X					1, 2, 3, 4, 6
1.20. 22	TC 89- 21	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to replace the three instances of the use of the word "handicap" with the word "accessible" in section 200 of the TPR. This item makes no change in the field and updates the language used in the TPR.			X					2, 3
1.20. 22	TC 1- 22	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add a stop sign on Tyler Terrace at Centre Street, eastbound because Section 4L.02 of the MUTCD requires stop signs at intersections which also have flashing red traffic signals or beacons.		X						6

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1.20.22	TC 2-22	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting a new stop sign on Circuit Ave at Elliot St, southbound, because Section 4L.02 of the Manual Uniform on Traffic Control Devices requires stop signs to be posted at intersections which also have flashing red beacons or traffic signals.		X						5
1.20.22	TC 3-22	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to review and possibly modify the parking regulations at 455, 465, and 475 Beacon Street, where official parking regulations do not match posted signage.		X						7
1.20.22	TC 4-22	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to update the official location of the accessible parking space on Centre Green to match existing field conditions. Note that this item makes no change in the field and fixes an error in the TPR.			X					6
1.20.22 and 12.15.22	TC 88-21	JAMES MCGONAGLE, COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND BARNEY HEATH, DIRECTOR OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, requesting approval of a trial of the following, to run through 2022: Traffic Council shall grant administrative authority to remove on-street metered and unmetered parking spaces for the purpose of restaurant and other business use, with an associated fee structure to be determined by City Council. The removal of parking spaces through this trial is temporary, and will be approved by the Commissioner of Public Works, Director of the Planning and Development Department, and Police Chief. The trial may end at any point, including a point when City Council approves a permanent parking space reuse program.		X				X		All Wards
1.20.22	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						2

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2.17.22	AP 5-21	JINI FAIRLEY, ADA COORDINATOR, requesting to review and possibly increase the number of accessible parking spaces located in the Langley Parking Lot in Newton Centre.			X					6
2.17.22 and 7.21.22	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			X		1
2.17.22 and 6.16.22	TC 7-22	COUNCILORS LEARY AND OLIVER 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.			X			X		1
2.17.22	TC 93-21	COUNCILORS BOWMAN, DANBERG, AND NOEL requesting to review and possible restrict parking along a portion of Paul Street.			X					6
2.17.22	TC 94-21	COUNCILOR NORTON requesting to change the parking regulations on Turner Street.			X					2
2.17.22	TC 5-22	CATHY BOSKEY, 111 Kirkstall Road, and signatories, requesting that the sections of Kirkstall Road and Upland Road, between Kirkstall & Pheasant around the loop to Upland & Pheasant, be changed to a 2-hour parking limit (other than with a Newtonville Permit) on school days, to match other sections of Kirkstall Road and Upland Road.			X					2
2.17.22	TC 92-21	DUNSTAN EAST, LLC, 275 Grove Street, Suite 2-150, requesting one (1) "Loading/Pickup Drop off" zone on Washington Street between Kempton Place and Armory Street. The zone will be approximately forty (40') feet long and will begin approximately fifty (50') feet east of Kempton Place and will end approximately two hundred fifty-five (255') feet west of Armory Street. The two affected parcels are 1149 and 1151 Washington Street.			X					3

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2.17.22	TC 14-5-20	COUNCILORS DOWNS, BOWMAN AND AUCHINCLOSS, requesting temporary removal of parking, both sides, Lowell Avenue to Eddy Street on Washington Street to allow protected one-way bike lanes on both sides for school access during the COVID-19 pandemic.		X						2, 3
3.17.22	AP 1-22	JINI FAIRLEY, ADA COORDINATOR, on behalf of tenants, customers, and clients, requesting an accessible on-street parking space in front of 580 Washington Street.			X					1, 2
3.17.22	AP 2-22	DAVID KOSES, TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR, requesting to increase by one space the number of accessible parking spaces located in the Pearl Street Parking Lot in Newton Corner.			X					1
3.17.22	TC 12-22	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to change the number and time limit distribution of the parking spaces in the Pearl Street Lot, associated with the reconstruction of the lot.			X					1
3.17.22	TC 10-22	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to remove the taxi stand on Washington Street in Newton Corner, and replace it with an Electric Vehicle Parking Zone.			X					1
3.17.22	TC 13-22	COUNCILORS GREENBERG AND OLIVER, requesting to discuss and potentially vote to make changes to the parking regulations on Park Street, Arlington Street, Vernon Street in the vicinity of Bigelow and the Burr Playground, to improve circulation and safety.			X					1
3.17.22	TC 14-22	ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER and DAVID KOSES, TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR requesting to examine and possibly vote to change the parking regulations on both sides of Walnut Street between Crafts Street and Linwood Avenue. Changes under consideration include the removal of parking restrictions, the creation of a Blue Zone, or something else depending on data analysis and public input received.			X					2

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3.17.22	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				6
3.17.22	TC 11-22	COUNCILORS BOWMAN, DANBERG, AND NOEL, requesting to change the parking regulations on Braeland Avenue to allow for parking at the six existing parking meters between 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm, which is not currently permitted.				X				6
3.17.22	TC 11 2-20	COUNCILORS DOWNS, AUCHINCLOSS, BOWMAN, KELLEY, LAREDO, MARKIEWICZ, NORTON, WRIGHT, DANBERG, GREENBERG, KRINTZMAN AND LIPOF, requesting Traffic Council actions allowing legal two-way bicycle travel on the Commonwealth Avenue Carriage Lane, between Woodbine Street and Mt. Alvernia Road.				X				2, 3, 4, 7
3.24.22	TC 8-22	COUNCILORS GREENBERG, LEARY AND OLIVER, requesting discussion and potential approval of a street sweeping trial on the following streets in Nonantum: Allison Street, Beech Street, Cook Street, Dalby Street, Faxon Street, Green Street (Cook St to Pearl St), Jasset Street, Kennedy Circle, Los Angeles Street, and Middle Street. The goal of the trial is to sweep streets once per month, on both sides, to provide for cleaner streets. In order to accomplish this goal, a significant number of poles and signs would need to be installed, on all streets within the trial area, to inform the public that parking would be restricted on both sides of all these streets for approximately four hours per month. Due to operational requirements, all parking on all these streets would need to be restricted during the same four hours each month, and all vehicles must be removed during these four hours, to allow for effective street sweeping.	X					X		1

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5.19.22	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					1
5.19.22	TC 76-21	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.					X			6
5.19.22	TC 16-22	COUNCILORS DOWNS, BOWMAN, DANBERG AND NOEL, requesting a Safety Zone on Lincoln Street near the Hyde Playground and extending to Walnut St.			X					6
5.19.22	TC 15-22	COUNCILORS DOWNS, CROSSLEY AND HUMPHREY, requesting a Safety Zone on Chestnut St. near Bobby Braceland Park and extending to Oak St.			X					5
5.19.22	TC 20-22	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.			X					8
5.19.22	TC 21-22	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.			X					8
5.19.22	TC 9-22	ISAAC PRIZANT, TRAFFIC ENGINEER, requesting a review and the potential addition of stop signs at the intersection of Grove Hill Avenue and Prospect Avenue.			X					2
5.19.22	TC 18-22	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.			X					1

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5.19.22	TC 25-22	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.	X					X		2
5.19.22	TC 23-22	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.		X						6
5.19.22	TC 17-22	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.		X						6
6.16.22	AP 4-22	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.			X					1

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6.16.22	TC 24-22	ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to add 'STOP' signage to the Silver Lake Avenue eastbound and westbound approaches to Adams Street.			X					1
6.16.22	TC 28-22	ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to add a STOP sign to the Grove Hill Avenue southbound approach to Lakeview Avenue.			X					2
6.16.22	TC 27-22	ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to add a STOP sign to the Prospect Street westbound approach to Beaumont Avenue.				X				2 and 3
6.16.22	TC 29-22	ADRIAN AYALA, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to add a STOP sign to the Adena Road northbound and southbound approaches to Derby Street.			X					3
6.16.22	TC 26-22	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.			X					4
6.16.22	TC 47-18	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.			X					2

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6.16.22	TC 49-18	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.			X					2
6.16.22	TC 48-18	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.			X					2
6.16.22	TC 46-18	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.			X					2

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6.16.22	TC 30-22	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.			X					4
7.21.22 and 10.27.22	TC 34-22	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.			X			X		2
7.21.22 and 10.27.22	TC 22-22	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.		X						3
7.21.22	AP 5-22	JINI FAIRLEY, ADA COORDINATOR, requesting an on-street accessible parking space at 827 Beacon Street to access several commercial businesses.			X					6
7.21.22	TC 26-22	PAUL LEVY, 59 Oxford Road, requesting a review of the Traffic and Parking Regulations (TPR) to determine if the following parking restriction remains necessary, and if so, to provide resident parking passes and or decals for those living on the street, and passes for visitors. Oxford Road (2) Two-hour limit, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., east side from Paul Street southerly 800 feet to opposite Browning Road.			X					6
7.21.22	TC 35-22	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to discuss and potentially change the parking regulations on Oak Street near the Post Office and Indiana Terrace in Upper Falls.			X					5

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7.21.22	TC 31-22	ISAAC PRIZANT, TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to review and approve parking changes at the Oak Hill & Brown Middle School traffic circle as part of Safe Routes to School project efforts and correct TPR language reflecting 'STOP' controlled approaches to the traffic circle.			X					8
7.21.22	TC 36-22	ADRIAN AYALA, TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to change the bus zone and parking regulations on Pine Street near the Burr School. Note that this item fixes an error in the TPR and makes no change in the field.			X					4
7.21.22	TC 37-22	ISAAC PRIZANT, TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to add a stop sign at Hartford Street, northbound, at Lincoln Street.			X					6
9.15.22	TC 19-22	KELLEY FOLEY, 43 Carlton Road, on behalf of Jesse Corey, 64 Oak Cliff Road, requesting one of the following possible changes at the intersection of Carlton Road, Nehoiden Road, and Alban Road in Waban, to address challenges with sight lines and intersection geometry. 1. 3-way stop sign; 2. 4-way stop sign; 3. 5-way stop sign; 4. Full set of traffic lights.		X						5
9.15.22	TC 41-22	DAVID KOSES, TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR, on behalf of abutting neighbors, requesting to change the recently-updated parking regulations on the west side of Adams Street, between a point 40 feet south of Clinton Street and a point 50 feet north of Lincoln Road, from unrestricted parking to a two-hour limit, 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m., except Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays.			X					1
9.15.22	TC 42-22	COUNCILOR NORTON, requesting to review and potentially change the parking regulations on Dale Street to ensure access for emergency vehicles.			X					2
9.15.22	TC 33-22	JONATHAN LANDMAN, 17 Garner Street, requesting to add "no parking this side" signs on the south side of Garner Street to ensure emergency vehicle access.			X					7

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9.15.22	TC 43-22	JILL CHARNEY, 671 Grove Street, requesting to review and assess a change to the parking regulations on Grove Street between Washington Street and Colgate Road.	X					X		4
9.15.22	TC 32-22	ISAAC PRIZANT, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to approve a "STOP" sign at the Upland Avenue southbound approach to Rachel Road.			X					8
9.15.22	TC 40-22	COUNCILORS DOWNS, ALBRIGHT, LUCAS, NORTON, BOWMAN, DANBERG AND NOEL, requesting a Safety Zone on Homer Street between Walnut Street and Commonwealth Avenue.			X					2
9.15.22	TC 39-22	COUNCILORS DOWNS, BOWMAN, DANBERG AND NOEL requesting a Safety Zone along the portion of on Lake Avenue between Rogers Street and Beacon Street where the regulatory speed limit is above 15 MPH.			X					6
9.15.22	TC 38-22	COUNCILOR DOWNS, requesting a Safety Zone on Watertown Street between Hawthorn Street and Faxon Street.			X					1
9.15.22	TC 46-22	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add a stop sign at the end of Exeter Street at Berkeley Street.			X				X	3
9.15.22	TC 44-22	ADRIAN AYALA, CITY TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to add a STOP sign to the Waban Avenue southbound approach to Waban Avenue. (NOTE: This is at the intersection of Waban/Nehoiden/Manitoba, but the stop sign will technically be on Waban Avenue, approaching itself.)			X					5
9.15.22	TC 45-22	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting to add "no right on red" restrictions, in all directions, at the intersection of Chestnut Street and Woodward Street.			X					5
10.27.22	AP 6-22	ANN CAGGIANO, requesting an accessible parking space in front of 432 Lowell Avenue.			X					2

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10.27 .22 and 11.17 .22	TC 51-22	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.				X				3
10.27 .22	TC 50-22	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.	X					X		6
10.27 .22	TC 49-22	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.				X				1
10.27 .22	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						2 and 6

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10.27 .22	TC 48- 22	ISAAC PRIZANT, TRAFFIC ENGINEER, requesting to add a stop sign at the intersection of Winchester Road at East Side Parkway, westbound.			X					1 and 2
10.27 .22	TC 51- 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.			X					3 and 4
11.17 .22	TC 52- 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.		X						1

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11.17 .22	TC 57- 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.	X							2
11.17 .22	TC 53- 22	SERGEANT WADE, requesting an extension of the No Parking restriction on southbound Centre Street, just north of Allerton Road.			X					6
11.17 .22	AP 7- 22	MARY TORNABENE, 372 Langley Road, requesting an accessible parking space in front of 372 Langley Road.			X					6
12.15 .22	TC 60- 22	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting a change to the TPR for Elm Road, so that the currently-posted and painted pick-up and drop-off zone could be used instead as extension of the bus zone.			X					2
12.15 .22	TC 59- 22	ISAAC PRIZANT, TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting a no turn on red restriction at the corner of Lowell Avenue & Washington Street.			X					2
12.15 .22	TC 58- 22	JASON SOBEL, DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION OPERATIONS, requesting to permanently close the northbound block of Albemarle Road to vehicular traffic, in both directions, between Crafts Street and North Street, except for bicycles. This portion of Albemarle Road has been closed since September 2020 as part of an on-going Traffic Council trial.	X							2 and 3
12.15 .22	TC 54- 22	ISAAC PRIZANT, TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to restrict U-Turns on Walnut Street between Newtonville Avenue and Cabot Street through the village center area.		X						2
12.15 .22	TC 55- 22	ISAAC PRIZANT, TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to add a stop sign at the T-approach from Wells Avenue westbound to Wells Avenue north and southbound.			X					8
12.15 .22	TC 56- 22	ISAAC PRIZANT, TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER, requesting to add a yield sign at the channelized right turn from Wells Ave WB to Wells Ave NB.			X					8

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12.15 .22	TC 62- 22	DAVID KOSES, TRAFFIC COUNCIL CHAIR, requesting a long-term trial to address the additional parking demand along Lincoln Street and abutting streets in Newton Highlands, resulting from the temporary Senior Center relocation.	X					X		5 and 6

APPENDIX C: Administrative Changes Made to the TPR During 2022

Ward	Street or Location	Administrative Change Made	Date
1	Elmhurst Rd & Washington Street	The following stop sign has been posted since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Elmhurst Road at Washington Street, southbound. Staff administratively edited the TPR to add this stop sign.	10/3/2022
1	Copley St & Washington Street	The following stop sign has been posted since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Copley Street at Washington Street, southbound. Staff administratively edited the TPR to add this stop sign.	10/3/2022
1	Waverley Ave & Washington Street	The following stop sign has been posted since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Waverley Avenue at Washington Street, northbound. Staff administratively edited the TPR to add this stop sign.	10/3/2022
1	Hunnewell Circle & Washington Street	The following stop sign has been posted since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Hunnewell Circle at Washington Street, southbound. Staff administratively edited the TPR to add this stop sign.	10/3/2022
1	Hunnewell Ave & Washington Street	The following stop sign has been posted since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Hunnewell Avenue at Washington Street, southbound. Staff administratively edited the TPR to add this stop sign.	10/3/2022
1	Hibbard Rd & Washington Street	The following stop sign has been posted since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Hibbard Road at Washington Street, northbound. Staff administratively edited the TPR to add this stop sign.	10/3/2022
1	Peabody St & Washington Street	The following stop sign has been posted since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Peabody Street at Washington Street, southbound. Staff administratively edited the TPR to add this stop sign.	10/3/2022
1	Thornton St & Washington Street	The following stop sign has been posted since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Thornton Street at Washington Street, southbound. Staff administratively edited the TPR to add this stop sign.	10/3/2022
1	Lenglen Rd & Washington Street	The following stop sign has been posted since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Lenglen Road at Washington Street, southbound. Staff administratively edited the TPR to add this stop sign.	10/3/2022
2	Bowers Street	Parking meters have been posted on the south side of Bowers Street since at least 2007, but they are not included correctly in the TPR. Staff administratively added these already-posted parking meters by editing the TPR to match existing conditions in the field.	8/1/2022
2	Watertown St at Crafts St	The following signs are currently posted in the field at Watertown St, eastbound, onto Crafts St and on Crafts Street, southbound, onto Watertown Street: "No Turn on Red". However, these signs were not included in the TPR. Staff administratively edited the TPR to match existing conditions in the field.	8/1/2022
2	Commonwealth Avenue at Lowell Avenue	The following location has been marked as "left lane must turn left" since at least 2012, but was not included in the TPR: Commonwealth Avenue, south drive, eastbound, onto Lowell Avenue. Staff administratively edited the TPR to match existing conditions in the field.	8/1/2022
2	Homer Street at Commonwealth Avenue	The following location has been marked as "left lane must turn left" since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Homer Street, northbound, onto Commonwealth Avenue, South Drive. Staff administratively edited the TPR to match existing conditions in the field.	8/1/2022
2	Lowell Avenue at Commonwealth Avenue	The following location has been marked as "left lane must turn left" since at least 2011, but was not included in the TPR: Lowell Avenue, southbound, onto Commonwealth Avenue South Drive. Staff administratively edited the TPR to match existing conditions in the field.	8/1/2022
2	Commonwealth Avenue at Walnut Street	The following location has been marked as "left lane must turn left" since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Commonwealth Avenue at Walnut Street, all directions. Staff administratively edited the TPR to match existing conditions in the field.	8/1/2022
2	Walnut Street at Cabot Street	The following location has been marked as "left lane must turn left" since at least 2011, but was not included in the TPR: Walnut Street, southbound, onto Cabot Street. Staff administratively edited the TPR to match existing conditions in the field.	8/1/2022

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2	Walnut Street at Elm Road	The following location has been marked as "left lane must turn left" since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Walnut St, NB, onto Elm Rd. Staff administratively edited the TPR to match existing conditions in the field.	8/1/2022
2	Elm Road at Walnut Street	The following location has been marked as "left lane must turn left" since at least 2011, but was not included in the TPR: Elm Road, eastbound, onto Walnut Street. Staff administratively edited the TPR to match existing conditions in the field.	8/1/2022
2	Elm Road at Walnut Street	The following location has been marked as "right lane must turn right" since at least 2011, but was not included in the TPR: Elm Road, eastbound, onto Walnut Street. Staff administratively edited the TPR to match existing conditions in the field.	8/1/2022
2	Walnut Street at Watertown Street	The following was added to Sec. TPR-98. Right lane must turn right: Walnut Street, northbound onto Watertown Street. Staff administratively edited the TPR to match existing conditions in the field.	10/3/2022
2	Crafts Street	The parking regulations were changed on Crafts Street, to allow for restriping and the addition of a bicycle lane, as was approved by Traffic Council. The TPR was updated to match existing field condition for the east side of Crafts Street, just north and south of the intersection of California Street.	8/19/2022
3	Brooks Avenue & Washington Street	The following stop sign has been posted since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Brooks Avenue at Washington Street, southbound. Staff administratively edited the TPR to add this stop sign.	10/3/2022
3	Brookside Avenue & Washington Street	The following stop sign has been posted since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Brookside Avenue at Washington Street, southbound. Staff administratively edited the TPR to add this stop sign.	10/3/2022
3	Walker St & Washington Street	The following stop sign has been posted since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Walker Street at Washington Street, southbound. Staff administratively edited the TPR to add this stop sign.	10/3/2022
3	Parsons St & Washington Street	The following stop sign has been posted since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Parsons Street at Washington Street, southbound. Staff administratively edited the TPR to add this stop sign.	10/3/2022
3	Cross St & Washington Street	The following stop sign has been posted since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Cross Street at Washington Street, southbound. Staff administratively edited the TPR to add this stop sign.	10/3/2022
3	Armory St & Washington Street	The following stop sign has been posted since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Armory Street at Washington Street, southbound. Staff administratively edited the TPR to add this stop sign.	10/3/2022
3	Myrtle St & Washington Street	The following stop sign has been posted since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Myrtle Street at Washington Street, northwestbound. Staff administratively edited the TPR to add this stop sign.	10/3/2022
4	Woodland Rd at Hancock Street	The following entry in the TPR was incorrect, and staff administratively removed it. Sec. TPR-97. Left lane must turn left. Hancock Street, crossing Woodland Road onto Hancock Street, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., weekdays. Note this entry is correctly included in other sections of the TPR.	8/1/2022
4	Grove Street at Riverside Center	The following location has been marked as "left lane must turn left" since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Grove Street, northbound, into 267-287 Grove Street. Staff administratively edited the TPR to match existing conditions in the field.	8/1/2022
4	Washington Street at Quinobecquin Road and Wales Street	The following location has been marked as "left lane must turn left" since at least 2008, but was not included in the TPR: Washington Street, westbound, onto Quinobecquin Road or Wales Street. Staff administratively edited the TPR to match existing conditions in the field.	8/1/2022
4	Stanton Ave northern intersection & Washington Street	The following stop sign has been posted since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Stanton Ave at Washington St, northwestbound (northern intersection). Staff administratively edited the TPR to add this stop sign.	10/3/2022
4	Stanton Avenue southern intersection & Washington Street	The following stop sign has been posted since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Stanton Avenue at Washington Street, westbound (southern intersection). Staff administratively edited the TPR to add this stop sign.	10/3/2022

Ward	Street or Location	Administrative Change Made	Date
5	Washington St at Neshobe Rd / 2150 Washington St	The following entry in the TPR was incorrect, and staff administratively removed it: Sec. TPR-97. Left lane must turn left. Washington Street, westbound, onto Neshobe Road.	8/1/2022
5	Washington St at Neshobe Rd / 2150 Washington Street	The following location has been marked as "left lane must turn left" since at least 2011, but was not included in the TPR: Washington Street, westbound, into Driveway of 2150 Washington Street. Staff administratively edited the TPR to match existing conditions in the field.	8/1/2022
5	Southwick Road	Scribner's error in Sec TPR-208 (c) Waban Village Parking District was corrected for Southwick Road.	9/1/2022
5	Waban Avenue	Scribner's error in Sec TPR-208 (c)Waban Village Parking District was corrected for Waban Avenue.	9/1/2022
5	I-95 Northbound & Washington Street	The following stop sign has been posted since at least 2012, but was not included in the TPR: I-95 North, dedicated left turn lane at Washington Street, northwestbound. Staff administratively edited the TPR to add this stop sign.	10/3/2022
5	Wyman Street	The parking regulations on Wyman Street did not match the official parking regulations in the TPR, which, in the TPR, included a one-hour metered parking zone. Staff updated the TPR to remove the reference to parking meters and to match the existing posted signage, which has not changed for many years.	11/14/2022
6	Crescent Avenue	The following signs have been posted on the west side of Crescent Avenue between Pleasant Street and Beacon Street since at least 2007: "Parking Prohibited". However, these signs were not included in the TPR. Staff administratively edited the TPR to match existing conditions in the field.	8/1/2022
6	Lincoln Street	Staff administratively made the following addition to the TPR, and the following changes in the withing 50 feet of a midblock crosswalk, after waiting the required 30-days after notifying City Councilors: 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 St, south side, within 25 feet of a marked crosswalk near 26 Lincoln St, 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.	8/1/2022
6	Walnut Street at Beacon Street	The following location has been marked as "left lane must turn left" since at least 2011, but was not included in the TPR: Walnut St at Beacon St, all directions. Staff administratively edited the TPR to match existing conditions in the field.	8/1/2022
6	Centre Street at Beacon Street	The following location has been marked as "left lane must turn left" since at least 2007, but was not included in the TPR: Beacon Street at Centre Street, eastbound and westbound. Staff administratively edited the TPR to match existing conditions in the field.	8/1/2022
6	Beacon Street	Parking at certain parking meters on Beacon Street in Newton Centre is not permitted between 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. and/or 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., in order to allow for an additional travel lane during these peak times. The TPR was updated administratively in order to make this restriction clearer.	11/22/2022
7	Chestnut Hill Terrace	The following signs have been posted in the field on the north side of Chestnut Hill Terrace for several years: "No Parking". The following signs have been posted on the south side of Chestnut Hill Terrace for several years: "No Parking 8am-11am and 8pm-10pm". However, these signs were not included in the TPR. Staff administratively edited the TPR to match conditions in the field.	8/1/2022
7	Old Orchard Road	The following signs have been posted on Old Orchard Road since at least 2009: Parking Prohibited, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.: a) North side, from Woodman Road northerly 580 feet. b) South side, from Woodman Road northerly 610 feet. However, the following regulations were in the TPR for Old Orchard Road: Parking Prohibited, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.: a) North side, from Woodman Road northerly 580 feet. b) South side, from Woodman Road northerly 610 feet. Staff administratively edited the TPR to match existing conditions in the field.	8/1/2022
7	Comm. Ave at Irving St	Parking has been allowed on the south side of the Carriageway, near Inna's Kitchen and Blacker's Bakeshop, and the TPR was updated to match current parking conditions. Parking has been allowed on the south side of the Carriageway along this stretch since at least 2007.	8/19/2022

Ward	Street or Location	Administrative Change Made	Date
1, 2 and 3	Watertown Street (all)	The following speed limit is incorrect in Sec. TPR-84. Speed zones designated: Watertown Street, westbound. Staff administratively edited the TPR to match the speed limits as requested by Newton and as approved by MassDOT.	8/1/2022
Unknown	Walnut Street	The following was removed from Sec. TPR-98. Right lane must turn right: Walnut Street, northbound onto Walnut Street. There is no location in Newton where motorists traveling northbound on Walnut Street must stay in the right lane in order to continue onto Walnut Street.	10/3/2022



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MEMORANDUM

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RE: **Codifying the City's outdoor dining policy for 2023**

SUMMARY

In response to the Committee's discussion and request on December 7, 2022, City staff have drafted language to update Ordinance 12-70 regarding outdoor dining areas in the public way to codify Newton's existing outdoor dining program and extend it on a permanent basis.

A red-line version of the draft ordinance language is attached.

In 2022, outdoor dining in specified, protected on-street parking spaces was enabled through a temporary Traffic Council program and regulated by multiple City departments. That pilot program expired on January 2. The State emergency order enabling outdoor dining will expire on April 1.

The City needs to codify its regulations and provide ample time for businesses to secure permits and make other preparations—and for Public Works to arrange protective barriers—prior to the outdoor dining season opening on April 1. At the December 7 PS&T meeting, Council members spoke in support of amending the ordinance, urged haste, and expressed a preference for ordinance language to be ready for review in January.

Over the past eight weeks, City staff have been working to assess municipal regulation of outdoor dining programs and draft language to update City Ordinance Sec. 12-70. Staff will continue to study policy implementations and best practices and provide future recommendations to Council.

As part of the current effort to codify outdoor dining regulations, the Law Department identified the need to separately amend a portion of the Zoning Ordinance cross-referenced by Sec. 12-70, as detailed below. Because an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance requires additional weeks of time, City staff will be working with the Zoning & Planning Committee to propose a zoning amendment expeditiously. Below is the proposed schedule for advancing this issue, which underscores the need to move forward:

- Jan. 2 – Traffic Council pilot program enabling outdoor dining expired.
 - Jan. 15 – City approval of ABCC extension-of-premises licenses.
 - Jan. 17 – City Council docket item on related zoning clarification.
 - Jan. 18 – PS&T discussion of amending Sect. 12-70 and potential vote.
 - Jan. 23 – Zoning & Planning Committee discussion and schedule public hearing.
 - Feb. 13 – Public hearing at Zoning & Planning meeting and potential vote.
 - Feb. 21 – Discussion and potential vote at City Council meeting.
 - Mar. 15 – End of 21-day appeal period.
 - Apr. 1 – Newton’s outdoor dining season 2023 begins.
- The State emergency order enabling outdoor dining expires.

Additional Zoning Clarifications

In addition to the proposed amendments discussed above, an amendment will also be necessary to the Zoning Ordinance to clarify that outdoor seating within the street will be treated the same as sidewalk seating in sections 5.1.4, 6.4.29, and 7.8.2.

Draft language for Sec. 12-70 follows.

ARTICLE VIII.
PERMITS FOR CAFÉ FURNITURE ~~ON-SIDEWALKS~~ IN THE PUBLIC WAY

Sec. 12-70. Permits for cafe furniture ~~on sidewalks~~ in the public way.

(a) The commissioner of health and human services (the “commissioner”), or ~~their~~ designee, may grant revocable permits for the placement of certain cafe furniture upon designated areas of the public sidewalk. The commissioner shall consult with the fire, police, public works, inspectional services, and planning departments prior to granting or denying a permit under this section. Permits shall be issued in accordance with the following standards:

(1) Permits may only be granted to the proprietor of the business premises which immediately abuts the sidewalk area affected by the permit. All cafe furniture and trash receptacles must be removed at any time upon the request of the commissioner or ~~their~~ designee when ~~they~~ determines that the public convenience and welfare require such removal.

(2) Permits may allow for the placement of tables, chairs, benches, shade umbrellas, barriers and other appurtenances as may be approved or otherwise required by the commissioner or other department, in consultation with the commissioner. All such tables, chairs, benches, shade umbrellas and other appurtenances shall be temporarily placed upon the sidewalk surface and shall not be affixed thereto. Any shade umbrellas shall be fastened, weighted and otherwise secured while in use.

(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 fire, police, public works, inspectional services and planning departments, and in conformity with any applicable ordinances or general laws.

(4) Permits may only be granted in those circumstances where the commissioner, or ~~their~~ designee, has determined that the placement of such cafe furniture would not interfere with adequate pedestrian passage upon the public sidewalk at the site, taking into account the flow and level of pedestrian traffic and the location of other fixtures upon the sidewalk including, but not limited to, utility poles, newspaper vending boxes and the like. In any event, a permit shall only be granted in circumstances where the placement of such cafe furniture would result in an unobstructed pedestrian passageway upon the public sidewalk of a minimum of four feet (4') in width.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Chapter 19 of the City of Newton Ordinances, the commissioner, or their designee, may grant revocable permits for the placement of certain café furniture upon designated municipal parking spaces in the public way, excluding municipal off-street parking areas. The commissioner shall consult with the fire, police, public works, inspectional services, and planning departments prior to granting or denying a permit under this section. Permits shall be issued in accordance with the following standards:

(1) Permits may only be granted to the proprietor of the business premises which immediately abuts the parking spaces in the public way affected by the permit. All café furniture, trash receptacles, barriers, and any other items in the area affected by the permit must be removed

at any time upon the request of the commissioner or their designee upon their determination that the public convenience and welfare require such removal.

(2) The commissioner, or their designee, may consider parking and other needs of abutting businesses prior to granting or denying a permit.

(3) Permits may allow for the placement of tables, chairs, benches, shade umbrellas, and other appurtenances as may be approved or otherwise required by the commissioner or other department, in consultation with the commissioner. All such tables, chairs, benches, shade umbrellas and other appurtenances shall be temporarily placed upon the surface and shall not be affixed thereto. Any shade umbrellas shall be fastened, weighted and otherwise secured while in use. Permits shall require the placement of protective barriers.

(4) 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 fire, police, public works, inspectional services and planning departments, and in conformity with any applicable ordinances or general laws.

(5) Permits may only be granted in those circumstances where the commissioner, or their designee, has determined that the placement of such cafe furniture would not interfere with pedestrian and/or traffic safety.

(6) Permits shall only allow placement of items from April 1st to January 1st.

(cb) As a pre-condition of the issuance of any ~~such~~ permit under this section the commissioner shall require the permitted party to indemnify, hold harmless and defend the city of Newton from any claims arising out of the permitted activity; and the commissioner shall require the permitted party to provide proof of adequate liability insurance and/or bond, in such form, amount, and with an insurance carrier or surety satisfactory to the commissioner for the performance by the permitted party of the requirements of the permit and this section.

(de) The term of each permit shall be one year and shall expire on December 31st unless renewed. The fee for each such annual permit for sidewalk café seating shall be one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for the initial issuance of the permit, and fifty dollars (\$50.00) for renewals thereafter. The fee for each such annual permit for parking space café seating shall be \$250.00 per parking space. Permits under this section are transferrable to a successor in interest upon the submission and approval of an application for transfer to the commissioner.

(ed) Upon receipt of each permit application the commissioner, or ~~their~~his designee, shall consult with the fire, police, public works, inspectional services, and planning departments for their determinations that the placement of cafe furniture and barriers, as described in the application, would not violate existing zoning, safety and public health requirements. Approval of the fire, police, public works, inspectional services, and planning departments are all required prior to the issuance of a ny permit by the commissioner, or his designee, under this section.

(fe) All applicants holding alcohol licenses pursuant to M.G.L. c. 138 who wish to serve alcohol to patrons at sidewalk café seating or parking space café seating under this section shall comply with c. 138 and the Rules and Regulations of the Board of License Commissioners.

(gf) Applicants shall be required to notify all owners of any property within three hundred feet of the proposed permitted area of the pending application, as well as the ward city councilors for the proposed permitted location. Pending the approval of a permit application, all applicants shall post a placard on the licensed premises notifying the public of the pending application. Such placard, provided by the department of health and human services, shall be readily visible to the public. Questions and comments regarding the pending application shall be directed to the commissioner of health and human services.

(hg) All permits granted pursuant hereto must include the following provisions:

(1) That the permitted party shall place exterior trash receptacles in the sidewalk-area affected by the permit and, at its expense, properly dispose of the trash deposited therein.

(2) That the permitted party shall be responsible for the clean-up of trash and debris from the sidewalk-area affected by the permit and the neighboring area within a radius of twenty-five feet (25') of the sidewalk-area affected by the permit.

(ih) Notice of violation: The commissioner, or his designee, shall review all complaints concerning purported violations of the terms and conditions of any permit issued under this section. Prior to the imposition of any penalty, the commissioner shall provide reasonable notice to the permit holder of the violations of the terms of the permit, and provide the permit holder an opportunity to be heard during a public hearing on the matter.

(j) Penalties: The commissioner shall have discretion to impose any penalty described herein, and as permitted by the General Laws or the ordinances of the city. The commissioner may impose a fine upon the permit holder, or revoke or suspend any permit granted pursuant to this section for any violation of the terms of such permit or the provisions of this section. Violations hereunder shall be subject to a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for each violation. Each day that a violation occurs shall constitute a separate offense. Where the non-criminal disposition of specified sections of this ordinance has been provided for in sections 17-22 and 17-23 of these ordinances, as amended, pursuant to the authority granted by M.G.L. c. 40 § 21D, said violation may be enforced in the manner provided in such statute. The civil penalty for each such violation is set forth in sections 17-23(b-d).

Cross reference – general fines, §17-21; civil fines, §17-23.”

(kj) All permit holders shall comply with the requirements of the noise ordinance at § 20-13 as amended. The commissioner may impose limitations on the hours of operation for permit holders and conditions on the use of outdoor seating under this section, except upon those permit holders also licensed to sell alcohol pursuant to c. 138 who are subject to the procedures of c. 138 and the Rules and Regulations of the Board of License Commissioners.

(lk) The placement of any tables, chairs, shade umbrellas, barriers or other appurtenances upon the sidewalk or within the public way without prior approval hereunder shall be a violation of this ordinance and subject to penalty.

(~~m~~) Regulatory Authority: The commissioner has the authority to promulgate rules and regulations necessary to implement and facilitate enforcement and administration of this section.

(~~n~~) Enforcement: The health and human services department, department of public works, inspectional services department, and police department shall have the authority to enforce the provisions of this section and permits granted hereunder.

(~~o~~) Severability: If any provision of this section is held to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction then such provision shall be considered separate and apart from the remaining provisions, which shall remain in full force and effect. (Ord. No. A-18, 04-01-13; Ord. No. C-1, 02-16-22)

Sec. 17-23. Enforcing persons and revised ordinances subject to civil fine.

(b) HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT: The commissioner of health and human services, and/or his or her designee, sanitary inspectors of the health and human services department, the chief of police and/or his or her designee, and the administrative director of the board of license commissioners and/or his or her designees shall be authorized to issue written notice of the following violations:

.....FINE

Section 20-70. Café furniture on streets

() any offense.....\$100.00

