

MINUTES
OF THE MEETING OF THE
TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMISSION
May 14, 2012

The regular monthly meeting of the Traffic and Parking Commission was held at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, May 14, 2012, at the Sonny West Conference Center. The following were present unless noted otherwise:

Commission Members

Gene Ward, Chairperson
Richard Morin, Vice Chair
Feller Brown - Absent
Sgt. Denton, MPD
John Green

Council Member Frank Harrison
Breonus Mitchell Sr
Brenda Sanderson
Steven Turner

Staff Members

Korby Bowden, Engineering Tech II
Julie Herring, CNT
Jenny Howard, Legal Advisor

Chip Knauf, Traffic Engineer
Benny Word, Collier Engineering
Diane Marshall, Parking Administrator

Guests

Council Member Davette Blalock, district 27

Chairperson Gene Ward called the meeting of May 14, 2012 to order at 3:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Gene Ward mentioned Ordinance No. BL2006-1050 regarding the appeals process of the Traffic and Parking Commission.

"If you are not satisfied with a decision made by the Traffic & Parking Commission, you may appeal the decision by filing for a writ of certiorari with the Davidson County Chancery or Circuit Court. Your appeal must be filed within 60 days of the date of the entry of the Commission's decision. We advise that you seek your own independent legal advice to ensure that your appeal is filed in a timely manner and that all procedural requirements have been met."

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Rev. Mitchell moved for **approval** of the Agenda, seconded by Mr. Green and **approved with no opposition**.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Rev. Mitchell moved for **approval** of the April 9, 2012 Minutes and seconded by Ms. Sanderson and **approved by voice vote with no opposition**.

APPEALS

1. Request to appeal the denial the installation of an all way stop at Brewer Dr. at Westcrest Drive. Requested by Council Member Davette Blalock, District 27.

Mr. Knauf stated that the denial was based on the traffic volumes and they did not meet the minimum requirement to install the all way stop.

Council Member Davette Blalock stated that this is a major cut through and when the high school dismisses the students fly through this area. She said that this is a long street and people drive way to fast. She noted that there have been several request for this stop sign and she could get a petition if needed.

Council Member Frank Harrison made a motion to **approve**, seconded by Mr. Turner and **approved with no opposition**.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Proposal No. 2012M-004AB-001** – A request to abandon portions of (including all easements and utilities) Rosemont Avenue from the southern property line of 3708 Rosemont Avenue to its terminus and Pittman Place from Granny White Pk westward to its terminus, requested by Barge, Waggoner, Sumner & Cannon Inc., applicant, David Lipscomb University, abutting owner.

Request was **approved by a 5 – 0 hand vote**.

2. **Proposal No. 2012M-005AB-001** – A request to abandon a portion of Jefferson Street (easement and utilities to be retained) adjacent to property located at 305 Jefferson Street, at the southwest corner of 3rd Ave N and Jefferson Street, requested by Crescent Enterprises Inc., abutting owner.

Request was **approved by a 4 – 0 – 1 hand vote**.

3. Nashville Downtown Partnership contract

4. **Resolution 12:05- Consent Agenda**

- Modify speed limit on Greeley Dr from Hickory Valley Rd to Fleetwood Dr from 35mph to 30 mph (*change in records only*)
- Modify speed limit on Post Rd from White Bridge Pk to Harding Pk from 35mph to 30mph (*change in records only*)
- Modify speed limit on Vine Ridge Dr from White Bridge Pk to Hillwood Blvd from 35mph to 30 mph
- Authorize all way stop on 10th Ave N and Herman St
- Authorize stop on Brook Manor Dr at Rock Creek Trail
- Authorize stop on Rock Creek Ct at Rock Creek Trail
- Install truck restriction prohibiting trucks in excess of 8 tons on N 12th St from Seymour Ave to Eastland Ave
- Install truck restriction prohibiting trucks in excess of 8 tons on Seymour Ave from Gallatin Pk to N 14th St
- Remove valet stand on the N side of Commerce St from 2nd Av N to 3rd Av N
- Modify loading zone on the south side of Church St near 4th Ave N form 5am -7pm M-F to 5am -11am M-F
- Install valet parking on the south side of Church St from 11am-midnight

REPORTS

1. Parking
2. Engineering

Commissioner Ward motioned to remove the requests from the consent agenda.

- Modify loading zone on the south side of Church St near 4th Ave N from 5am -7pm M-F to 5am -11am M-F
- Install valet parking on the south side of Church St from 11am-midnight

Rev. Mitchell made a motion to **approve**, seconded by Ms. Sanderson and **approved with no opposition**.

Traffic and Parking Commission Resolution No. 12-05 authorized by Chapter 9 of the Charter of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee as amended

BE IT RESOLVED by the Traffic and Parking Commission of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee as follows:

SECTION I: That Chapter 12 of said Metropolitan Code, said Chapter being entitled 'Vehicles and Traffic' is amended as follows:

SECTION II. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be published in a daily newspaper in Metropolitan Nashville/Davidson County, Tennessee and that a certified copy be filed with the Chief of Police of the Metropolitan Police Department, and that a certified copy be filed with the Metropolitan clerk, and that said Resolution take effect five (5) days thereafter.

APPROVED: May 14, 2012

EFFECTIVE: May 19, 2012

The above mentioned Resolution items were previously approved under the Consent Agenda.

OTHER BUSINESS

Nashville Downtown Partnership Contract

Ms. Marshall is asking the commission to make a recommendation to council to continue the contract with NDP.

Ms. Sanderson stated that she is on the board of the NDP and would like to recuse herself from voting.

Mr. Steven Turner made a motion to ratify the previous approval of the contract with NDP, seconded by Rev. Mitchell and **approved with no opposition**.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Sgt. Denton moved to **adjourn**, seconded by Mr. Morin and **approved by voice vote with no opposition**. The meeting adjourned at 3:26 p.m.

Approved on this the 9 day of July, 2012.

Assistant Director
Department of Public Works



Chairperson
Traffic and Parking Commission