

MINUTES
OF THE MEETING OF THE
TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMISSION
June 10, 2013

The regular monthly meeting of the Traffic and Parking Commission was held at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, June 10, 2013, at the Sonny West Conference Center. The following were present unless noted otherwise:

Commission Members

Feller Brown
Richard Morin, Vice Chair
Mary Vavra
Cpt. Dhana Jones, MPD
John Green

Council Member Frank Harrison
Breonus Mitchell Sr
Brenda Sanderson
Steven Turner

Staff Members

Korby Bowden, Engineering Tech II
Julie Herring, CNT
Theresa Costonis Legal Advisor
Mark Macy, Assistant Director

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

Guests

As noted in minutes

Vice Chair Richard Morin called the meeting of June 10, 2013 to order at 3:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Richard Morin 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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

NEW BUSINESS

1. Request to authorize daytime horse drawn carriage operation from 9am -3pm. Requested by Cumberland Carriages.

Ms. Marshall stated that the current carriage operation is from 6pm-6am. This request is for daytime carriage operations.

Ms. Sara Williams, owner of Cumberland Carriages asked the Commission to grant her permission to operate her horse drawn carriage on from 9am-3pm on weekdays. She states that this will help generate more income for her business which is struggling to compete with the other carriage operators

who have more than one carriage permit. She agreed to use the routes and regulations and stated that she would like to start sometime in the fall.

Council Member Harrison asked Mr. Fields opinion and recommendation.

Mr. Billy Fields with the Transportation and Licensing Commission states as long as the carriages operate per existing regulations, the proposed daytime hours of operation are acceptable.

Council Member Harrison stated he does not see any problem with granting this request. He said we can revise the schedule and times.

Mr. Knauf requested a deferral. He stated that it would give PW time to designate daytime loading and unloading locations.

Rev. Mitchell noted that this Commission only makes decisions on concerns of safety and traffic and should not base decisions on financial hardships.

Ms. Sanderson stated that her concern was that a loading zone would be taken up and that loading zones downtown are very important.

Mr. Turner made a motion to defer indefinitely, seconded by Rev. Mitchell and **Approved by a 7-1 (Harrison) hand vote.**

2. Request to provide complimentary parking in the Public Square Garage for July 4th thru July 6 for the 2013 Music City July 4th celebration. Requested by the Nashville Convention and Victors Bureau.

Ms. Marshall stated that the commission has to approve the complimentary parking for the volunteers for the 4th of July celebration. She noted that the commission has approved this in the past and is asking the commission to approve this request.

Mr. Green made a motion to **approve**, seconded by Mr. Turner and **approved with no opposition by a 8-0 voice vote.**

3. Resolution 06-13: (Consent Agenda)

- Install no parking or standing anytime on the north side of Broadway at 6th Ave N
- Install no parking or standing anytime on the west side of 3rd Ave N at Jo Johnston
- Install no left turn on Gallatin Rd at 11th St from 7am-9am
- Install 2 hour parking on Ewing Dr from 7am-6pm Monday – Saturday
- Install taxi stand on the south side of Commerce St at 7th Ave N
- Modify "School Bus Parking" at 1310 Ordway Pl from no parking anytime to 7:30am-8:30am and 1pm- 2:30pm
- Remove 15 minute parking on the east side 9th Ave N at Broadway and install 2 parking meters
- Modify loading zone at 219 Broadway from 6am-9pm to 6am to 6pm
- Remove loading zone in front of 312 9th Ave S

The Resolution was approved

OTHER BUSINESS

Commission Elections

Council Member Harrison made motion to elect Mr. Feller Brown as Chair and Mr. Morin as Vice Chair, seconded by Rev. Mitchell and **approved by a 8-0 hand vote.**

4. REPORTS

1. Parking – *on consent agenda*
2. Engineering – *on consent agenda*

Approved

Traffic and Parking Commission Resolution No. 13-06 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: June 10, 2013

EFFECTIVE: June 15, 2013

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

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Cpt. Jones moved to **adjourn**, seconded by Mr. Morin and **approved by voice vote with no opposition**. The meeting adjourned at 3:42 p.m.

Approved on this the 8th day of July, 2013.


Assistant Director
Department of Public Works


Chairperson
Traffic and Parking Commission