

MINUTES
OF THE MEETING OF THE
TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMISSION
August 12, 2013

The regular monthly meeting of the Traffic and Parking Commission was held at 3:00 p.m., on Monday, July 8, 2013, at the Sonny West Conference Center. The following were present unless noted otherwise:

Commission Members

Feller Brown, Chair
Richard Morin, Vice Chair
John Green
Council Member Frank Harrison
Cpt. Dhana Jones, MPD

Breonus Mitchell Sr
Brenda Sanderson
Steven Turner
Mary Vavra

Staff Members

Korby Bowden, Engineering Tech II
Theresa Costonis Legal Advisor
Julie Herring, CNT
Chip Knauf, Traffic Engineer

Mark Macy, Assistant Director
Diane Marshall, Parking Administrator
Benny Word, Collier Engineering

Guests

As noted in minutes

Chairman Feller Brown called the meeting of August 12, 2013, to order at 3:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

NEW BUSINESS

Consent Agenda

- A. **Proposal No. 2013M-012AB-001** – A request to abandon a portion of Alley # 277 (easements to be retained) from McFerrin Ave westward approximately 200 feet to the southern property line, requested by Dean Design Group.

B. Request to provide complimentary parking in the Public Square Garage for the volunteers of Live on the Green.

C. **Resolution 08-13:**

- Authorize "no parking" on the north side of Taylor St from 6th to 7th Avenue.
- Remove "no trucks" sign on Georgia Ave between 45th Ave and 46th Avenue.
- Change yield sign to stop at Spring Valley Drive and Overhill Dr.
- Convert 4 metered parking spaces to loading zone on Gay St between 5th Ave N and James Robertson Pkwy for Musicians Hall of Fame
- Modify "loading zone" for loading at TPAC from 7:00-8:30 AM and 4:00-5:30 PM to 24 hours a day on 5th Ave N from Union to Deaderick St.

REPORTS

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

Mr. Knauf made a motion to withdraw the request to Remove "no trucks" sign on Georgia Ave between 45th Ave and 46th Avenue. He stated that there have been several calls and concerns about lifting this restriction and the staff would like to review. Mr. Knauf requested a one month deferral.

Mr. Green made a **motion to withdraw the request from the consent agenda and deferred one month**, seconded by Mr. Turner and **approved with no opposition**.

Rev. Mitchell made a motion to **approve** the consent agenda, seconded by Mr. Green and **approved by an 8-0 hand vote**.

APPEALS

1. Appeal the denial of a traffic signal at Huntington Parkway and Edmondson Pike. Requested by Council Member Davette Blalock, District 27.

Council Member Davette Blalock stated that she represents District 27 in Davidson Co. and has had several complaints regarding the intersection of Huntington Parkway and Edmondson Pike. She stated that Huntington Parkway is used as a cut through and that cars travel at a high rate of speed. She noted that children often travel this road to get to and from school. Council Member Blalock stated that they have requested this before and it had been turned down because it did not meet the Federal Guidelines. She noted that this would be very beneficial to the new Metro Park that will be located across the street.

Mr. Knauf stated that this signal almost met warrants but because it did not meet the federal guidelines, we have to bring it to the Commission for approval. He noted that he believes that this signal would be beneficial to the area.

Mr. Morin asked where the proposed entrance to the new metro park would be.

Council Member Harrison stated that the park entrance would be directly across from Huntington Pkwy. She stated that the intention was to align the park entrance with Huntington Ridge and that the stop light would go for both sides.

Mr. Morin stated that the minutes should reflect that the proposed park driveway will line up with Huntington Ridge.

Mr. Turner made a motion to **approve** the denial of the traffic signal at Huntington Parkway and Edmondson Pike, seconded by Mr. Morin and **approved by a 8-0 vote**.

Traffic and Parking Commission Resolution No. 13-08 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: August 12, 2013

EFFECTIVE: August 17, 2013

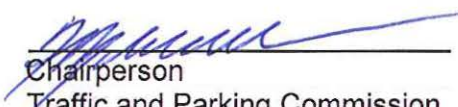
The above mentioned Resolution items were previously approved under the Consent Agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Cpt. Jones moved to **adjourn**, seconded by Mr. Morin **approved by voice vote with no opposition**. The meeting adjourned at 3:18 p.m.

Approved on this the 9th day of September, 2013.

Assistant Director
Department of Public Works



Chairperson
Traffic and Parking Commission