# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMISSION September 9, 2013

The regular monthly meeting of the Traffic and Parking Commission was held at 3:00 p.m., on Monday, September 9, 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 Rachelle Gallimore-Scruggs, Legal Advisor

## <u>Guests</u>

## As noted in minutes

Chairman Feller Brown called the meeting of September 9, 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

Council Member Harrison moved for approval of the Agenda, seconded by Rev. Mitchell and approved with no opposition.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Rev. Mitchell moved for approval of the Agenda, seconded by Mrs. Sanderson and approved with no opposition.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

 Appeal the denial of the traffic signal at Sonya Dr. and Old Hickory Blvd, requested by Council Member Sheri Weiner, District No. 22

Council Member Sheri Weiner of District 22 introduced Emma Bradshaw. She noted that Emma was hit by a car on Old Hickory Blvd. near Sonya Dr. CM Weiner stated that this intersection is very dangerous

and is very busy. She stated that speeding here is problematic. She asked the Commission to please approve this signal.

Ms. Bradshaw stated that she is the mother of Emma and the last few months with her has been life changing. She asked the Commission to approve this signal so no one else has to go through something like this.

Mr. Randy Bradshaw, stated that he is the grandfather of Emma Bradshaw. Mr. Bradshaw asked the Commission that this signal be approved to prevent any other injuries at this intersection.

Mr. Knauf stated that this came before the Commission because it did not meet the warrants. He stated that the numbers were very close and depending on the time of year they could be met. He stated that just because warrants were not met does not mean that the signal is not needed. He noted to the Commission that this signal could be beneficial to this intersection.

Mr. Morin made a motion to approve the appeal of the denial of the traffic signal at Sonya Dr. and Old Hickory Blvd, seconded by Rev. Mitchell and approved with no opposition.

#### 2. Consent Agenda

A. Proposal No. 2013M-013AB-001 - A request to abandon a portion of Alley #114 (easements and utilities to to be relocated) from Demonbreun Street northward approximately 178' to the southern property line of Tax Map/Parcel #09310011700, requested by Barge, Waggoner, Sumner & Cannon.

Mr. Turner made a motion to approve, seconded by Rev. Mitchell and approved by a 8-0 hand vote.

#### B. Resolution 09-13:

- Authorize traffic signal at Highway 70 and Bellevue Rd.
- Authorize all way stop on Crossings Blvd at Old Franklin Rd.
- Authorize stop sign on Sprint Dr. at Landau Dr.
- Modify the existing yield sign to stop sign on Lera Jones Dr. at Wilford Pack Dr.
- Authorize no left turn on Korean Vet's Blvd at 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave from 4-6pm
- Authorize no left turn on Korean Vet's Blvd at 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave from 4-6pm Install "no parking anytime" on both sides of 5<sup>th</sup> Ave S from Lafayette St to Ash St.
- Install "taxi only loading zone" on the east side of 5th Ave S from Ash st to 200' south of Ash St.
- Install "no parking anytime" on both sides of Ewing Ave to 200' south of Lafayette St.
- Install "no parking anytime" on the east side of 6th Ave S to 190' south of Lafayette St.

#### C. REPORT

- 1. Parking
- 2. Engineering

Mr. Green made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Mr. Turner and approved by a 8-0 vote.

#### **Old Business**

- 1. Remove "no trucks" sign on Georgia Ave between 45th Ave and 46th Ave.
- Mr. Knauf stated that the trucking company would like to appeal the removal of the signs on Georgia Ave.
- Mr. Turner made a motion to defer for one month, seconded by Mr. Green and approved with no opposition.

#### Other Business

1. Request to discuss the Nashville Downtown Partnership Public Square Garage Parking Garage Agreement

Ms. Marshall stated that this request is coming from the Nashville Downtown Partnership and that Mr. Tom Turner is here to speak about this.

Mr. Turner stated that the Public Square Garage has some open space and would like to extend the agreement through June of 2015. He noted that this would be for 125 spaces at \$100.00. He noted that the rate is normally \$115 but due to the vacant spaces, they would like to offer the spaces at \$100.

Ms. Sanderson noted that she sat on the board for the Nashville Downtown Partnership and would like to recuse herself from this vote.

Mr. Green made a recommendation to council to approve the amended agreement to the Nashville Downtown Partnership to extend the agreement through June 2015, seconded by Rev. Mitchell and approved 7-0.

Traffic and Parking Commission Resolution No. 13-09 authorized by Chapter 9 of the Charter of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee as amended

DE IT DECOLVED by the Treffic and Devices Commission of the Materiality

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: September 9, 2013

EFFECTIVE: September 14, 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 3:21 p.m.

Approved on this the 14th day of October, 2013.

Assistant Director

Department of Public Works

chairperson

Traffic and Parking Commission