# MEETING MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMISSION March 14,2022

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The regular monthly meeting of the Traffic and Parking Commission was held at 3:00 p.m., on Monday, March 14,2022 at the Metro Office Complex in the Sonny West Conference Room. The following were present unless noted otherwise:

Chairman John Green called the meeting of March 14,2022 to order at 3:15 p.m.

#### **ATTENDEES**

#### **COMMISSIONERS**

John Green , Feller Brown (absent), Saralee Woods, Karen Robbins (absent), Pastor Marvin Neal (absent) Council Member Angie Henderson, (absent) Officer James Williams, Brandon Mason (absent), Santiago Tefel (absent)

## <u>STAFF</u>

Diana Alarcon, Brad Freeze, Diane Marshall, Korby Bowden, Andrew Smith, Teresa Costonis, Rory Rowan, Sharon Wahlstrom, Marty Sewell

# <u>OTHERS</u>

Maegan Brejnik – Walk Bike Nashville, Cathy Crillion – Walk Bike Nashville, Albert Balls – resident, Russell Payne -Nashville Downtown Partnership, Layla Vartanian- business owner, Mike Jamison – Metro Council, Lt. Raymond Jones – MNPD, Lt. Clint Gilliland- MNPD, C.Howard – Vendor, Matthew Edwards - Vendor

Due to a lack of a quorum, there was no action taken by the Commission. The Commission held a discussion of items without a vote.

- Sidewalk Vendor Regulations Initial discussion of 2022 revision and update to improve and clarify the Metro sidewalk vendor regulations.
  - Lt. Raymond Jones spoke regarding the issue that they have as it relates to sidewalk vendors. The concerns he stated is that their officers that are not familiar with the regulations.
  - Lt Clint Gilliland stated that there is a need for safety, citizens, business owners and vendors to be able to enforce the current regulations.
  - Russell Payne stated that they are in support of the regulations and that they hear the same complaints from the business owners.
  - C. Howard- stated that vending is out of control and would like guidelines as if relates to vending as a part of the community
  - Layla Vartanian is a business owner and stated that she would like vending not allowed on Broadway.
  - Matthew Edwards stated that the ordinance is outdated. He
    is requesting that we do not do a knee jerk response and
    that vending should be left because vending make a real
    city.
- 2. Appeal staff denial not to install all way stop on Charles E Davis Blvd at the intersection of Fain St and Cannon St.:
  - Kathy Crillon spoke regarding the staff at NDOT working on a solution for the problem which would be a flashing lights or beacons. Brad Freeze advised that the staff continue to work with the residents.
- 3. Smart Parking Management Update
  - Diana Alarcon, Director of NDOT advised that the negations have continued and that should be presentation to the Commission in April or May. Upon approval of the Commission

the agreement will be submitted to Metro Council for approval. The proposal will require approximately 3 months for the equipment. During November and December there will be soft opening and no citations will be issued instead warnings will be issued.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Officer Williams moved to *adjourn*. Commissioner Woods seconded. All in favor with no opposition. The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.