

**MEETING MINUTES
OF THE
TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMISSION
July 11, 2022**

Note: The monthly meetings of the Traffic and Parking Commission are documented via video and are available through Metro ITS Department (<http://www.nashville.gov/Information-Technology-Services.aspx>) and Metro Nashville's YouTube Channel (<https://www.youtube.com/MetroNashville>)

The regular monthly meeting of the Traffic and Parking Commission was held at 3:00 p.m., on Monday, July 11th, 2022, at MNPD East Precinct Community Room (936 E Trinity Lane). The following were present unless noted otherwise:

ATTENDEES

COMMISSIONERS

John Green (Chair), Saralee Woods, Council Member Angie Henderson, Feller Brown (absent), Brandon Mason, Karen Robbins, Santiago Tefel, Lt. Williams (MNPD),

STAFF

Jason Oldham, Director Diana Alarcon, AD Brad Freeze, Teresa Costonis, Andrew Smith

OTHERS

Tina Schmutterer (Vendor, Get Tasseled owner), Jeremy Holland (Legal Counsel, Greenhouse Tennessee), Marcus Wingfield (Vendor), Brady Cannon (Nashville Convention Visitors Crop), Jeanette Barker (VP of Strategic Development for Nashville Downtown Partnership), Brenda Sanderson (Venue owner), Leila Vartanan (Business Owner), Dr John Newman (Business Owner), Sam Reid (Ryman Hospitality), John Bectel (Vendor), Ryan Cowell (Icon Entertainment), Busnah Zek (Vendor), Gary Daniels (Broadway LLC), Barrett Hobbs, Brad Sanderson (Business Owner), Matthew Edwards (Vendor), Benjamin Eagles (Mayor's Office), Will Wright (The District), and Officer Gilleland (MNPD).

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman John Green called the meeting of July 11th, 2022, to order at 3:00 p.m. Chairman John Green announces appeals process, Metropolitan Code of Laws 2.68.030.

"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."

COMMISSION CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENT

Chairman John Green requests a moment of silence to remember Reverend Marvin Neal.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Saralee Woods moved for approval of the agenda, seconded by Lt. Williams. CM Angie Henderson asked for clarification on the LAZ Parking Contract from the last commission meeting. This topic was deferred but does not appear on the agenda. Chair Green explains that the contract is still in procurement and Teresa Costonis elaborates that the procurement office has received an appeal and advancement of the contract was halted pending resolution of the appeal. Agenda is approved with no objections.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 13, 2022

CM Angie Henderson moves to defer the approval of minutes due to numerous errors, seconded by Saralee Woods, and passed with no objections.

IV. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

a) CD 02: Mandatory referral 2022M-003AB-001, a request for the abandonment of a portion of Lock Road right-of-way and easement between Map 07109004800 and 07113000100, requested by constituent, SR 1556440.

- Jason Oldham requests to move Item a to New Business. Lt. Williams moves to remove Item a, from the consent agenda and moved under “New Business.” Seconded by Santiago Tefel and passed with no objections.

b) CD 16: Mandatory referral 2022M-004AB-001, a request for the abandonment of a portion of Whitsett Rd right-of-way, with easements retained on Map 119-10, Parcel(s) 038, 245, requested by constituent, SR 1564089.

c) CD 19: Mandatory referral 2022M-005AB-001, a request for the abandonment of Alley #456, with easements retained, from Alley #442 to the terminus of Alley #456, requested by constituent, SR 1568471.

Saralee Woods moves to approve the consent agenda, seconded by CM Angie Henderson, and passed with no objections.

V. OLD BUSINESS

d) CD 19: Authorize a request for 50-100 spaces complementary parking at Public Square Garage for Women Touched by Addiction Day, Saturday July 23, 2022, requested by constituent, SR 1548493.

- April Douglas (Chief Development Officer of Mending Hearts) speaks. CM Angie Henderson moves to approve, seconded by Saralee Woods, and passed with no objections.
- Saralee Woods motions to return in 90 days with a process for free parking requests not sponsored by Metro, seconded by Santiago Tefel, and passed with no objections.

e) Sidewalk vending—consideration of draft regulations.

- Jason Oldham begins a presentation and discussion of Item e. Chair Green then opens public discussion with each speaker given three minutes. Speakers included: Tina Schmutterer (Vendor, Get Tasseled owner), Jeremy Holland (Legal Counsel, Greenhouse Tennessee), Marcus Wingfield (Vendor), Brady Cannon (Nashville Convention Visitors Crop), Jeanette Barker (VP of Strategic Development for Nashville Downtown Partnership), Brenda Sanderson (Venue owner), Leila Vartanan (Business Owner), Dr John Newman (Business Owner), Sam Reid (Ryman Hospitality), John Bectel (Vendor), Ryan Cowell (Icon Entertainment), Busnah Zek (Vendor), Gary Daniels (Broadway LLC), Barrett Hobbs, Brad Sanderson (Business Owner), Matthew Edwards (Vendor), Benjamin Eagles (Mayor’s Office), Will Wright (The District), and Officer Gilleland (MNPd).
- Saralee Woods moves to approve the presented map, approve the placement of signage where vending can occur, notify permitted vendors within seven business days, and request regulation recommendations from staff at the next Traffic and Parking Commission meeting in August, seconded by Santiago Tefel. Motion passed by 4-2 margin. (*Commissioners discussed changing the motion to say “placement of signing where vending cannot occur within the restricted area” since the commission should have a vote over where vendors can vend vs NDOT deciding, but the motion was not corrected formally prior to full commission vote. NDOT is not moving forward with signing where vendors can vend.*)

VI. NEW BUSINESS

a) CD 02: Mandatory referral 2022M-003AB-001, a request for the abandonment of a portion of Lock Road right-of-way and easement between Map 07109004800 and 07113000100, requested by constituent, SR 1556440.

- Jason Oldham discusses Item a, Saralee Woods moves to defer so constituent can be consulted on revised recommendation by NDOT to deny, seconded by CM Angie Henderson, and passed with no objections.

VII. RESOLUTION TO AMEND CHAPTER 12 OF THE METRO CODE

Note: The Traffic and Parking Commission is authorized by Chapter 9 of the Charter of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County to amend Chapter 12 of the Metropolitan Code. Approved items on today's agenda amending Chapter 12 will be summarized and attached to the meeting minutes and will become effective five (5) days after providing a certified copy to the Metro Chief of Police, Metro Clerk and posting of a certified copy for public notice. Example of relevant items include Traffic Control Signals, Speed Limits, Turn Prohibitions, One Way Streets and Alleys, Through Streets, Stop and Yield Intersections, Parking Restrictions, Parking Meters, Limitation on Size of Vehicles, and Loading Zones.

(There were no relevant items approved to amend Chapter 12)

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Lt. Williams moved to *adjourn*, seconded by Santiago Tefel, and *approved by voice vote with no opposition*. The meeting adjourned at 5:26 p.m.

Approved on the 8th day of August 2022