



**- MINUTES -**  
**METROPOLITAN TRAFFIC & PARKING COMMISSION**  
**Howard Office Building—Sonny West Conference Room**

**May 8, 2023**

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The regular monthly meeting of Howard Office Building Sonny West Conference Room. 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, Santi Tefel (absent), Meshach Adams, Captain Raymond Jones (MNPD)

**STAFF**

Director Diana Alarcon, Chief Engineer Brad Freeze, Jason Oldham, Cody Osborne, Teresa Costonis, Erica Haber, Andrew Smith, Korby Bowden, Darlene Thompson

**OTHERS**

Council Member Withers

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman John Green called the meeting of May 8, 2023, to order at 3:01 p.m. Chairman John Green announced the 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."*

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Adams moved for approval of the agenda. Commissioner Robbins seconded the motion. The agenda was approved with no objections.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

3.01. Approval of minutes from the April 10, 2023 meeting.

- Commissioner Adams moved for approval of the April 10, 2023, minutes. Commissioner Robbins seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.

**4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

4.01. CD9: Mandatory referral 2023M-001AB-001, authorization to abandon 36.3 ft of right-of-way from the terminus of Pawnee Trail, requested by CM Hancock.

- Commissioner Woods moved to Approve. Commissioner Robbins seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.

## 5. REGULAR AGENDA

- 5.01. CD21: Approval of waiver of fees for permanent metered parking removal for up to 70 ft of curb space encompassing 3 existing metered parking spaces on the north side of West End Ave between 24<sup>th</sup> Ave and 25<sup>th</sup> Ave North, requested by KCI on behalf of Sinclair Development.
- Jason Oldham gave some background on the request. Brad Freeze also spoke to the fact that adding this bus stop was part of an SB approval process. As part of the conditions on the developer they were required to add the We Go stop. Based on the information provided NDOT is recommending the waiver. Commissioner Adams moved to approve. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Woods. The motion was approved with no objections.
- 5.02. CD 26: Authorization of reduced posted speed limit from 35 to 30 mph on Trousdale Dr. from Blackman Rd to Broadwell Dr, requested by CM Johnston, SR 1667481
- Jason Oldham gave an overview of the information used when evaluating speed limit reductions in areas. NDOT is recommendation that the limit be lowered. Commissioner Woods moved to approve. The motion was seconded by Council Member Henderson. The motion was approved with no objections.
- 5.03. CD 26: Authorization to reduce posted speed limit from 35 to 30 mph on Blackman Rd from Trousdale Dr to Edmondson Pk, requested by CM Johnston, SR 167481
- Jason Oldham gave an overview of the information used when evaluating speed limit reductions in areas. NDOT is recommendation that the limit be lowered. Commissioner Woods moved to approve. The motion was seconded by Council Member Henderson. The motion was approved with no objections.

## 6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 6.01. Draft policy discussion for Residential Parking Permits.
- Director Alarcon provided an overview to the policy that was recently distributed. She went over the new process, and how engineering will review the requests making sure on street parking would allow for safe passage of emergency vehicles. Discussions were had surrounding guests, or others providing services at the home and enforcement. This policy will be back again for approval next month.
- 6.02. Extension of Connect Downtown Curb Moratorium.
- Director Alarcon spoke to the commission regarding where we are currently with stakeholder engagement. NDOT is asking that we continue the moratorium until September 2023. Discussions were had surrounding the changes and policy recommendations brought with current Council Members. Council Member Henderson moved to extend the connect downtown associated curb moratorium to July 1, 2023, with the condition that you report to the commission at the June meeting on connect downtown on the feasibility or the need continue. Commissioner Mason seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.

## 7. NEW BUSINESS

- 7.01. Food Truck Pilot Program.
- Jason Oldham provided an update to the Food Truck pilot program and how we would like to move forward and make this a permanent program. More details will be provided later this summer.
- 7.02. Commissioner Woods asked for an update on the Condition of the Parking Garage for the Library.
- Brad Freeze gave an update on the repair to the parking garage that was recently closed. Discussions were had surrounding the reason for the failure, the repairs, and who is ultimately responsible for the damages. The inspection rotation is currently being reevaluating. Forensic analysis is being conducted to determine root cause, so that we can fix the structure permanently.

## 8. OTHER ITEMS

- 8.0 Chair Brown brought up a question regarding who regulates Alleys.
- Brad Freeze stated that they are viewed as part of the street network and would fall under the Traffic and Parking Commission.

## 9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Captain Jones moved to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 4:38 pm

Approved on the 8<sup>th</sup> day May 2023.

Traffic and Parking Commission Resolution No. 23-05

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I \_\_\_\_\_ with the Nashville Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure do certify the above items on today’s agenda amending Chapter 12 of the Metropolitan Code were approved by the Traffic and Parking Commission on June 12, 2023.

TENNESSEE NOTARY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

State of Tennessee

County of Davidson

On this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June 2023, before me personally appeared Jason Oldham, to me known to be the person (or persons) described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that such person (or persons) executed the same as such person (or person’s) free act and deed.

Witness my hand, at office, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June 2023.

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Notary’s Signature

Seal

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

Traffic and Parking Commission Authority:  
Chapter 9 of the Metropolitan Charter, Sec. 11.904. - Function of commission as to traffic regulation.

For the purpose of making the roads, streets, and other public ways safe for pedestrians, motorists and others, and for the purpose of facilitating the flow of traffic thereon, the commission is hereby authorized to adopt and publish traffic regulations, including the erection of proper signs necessarily and properly connected with or incident to the following:

- (a)The location and time when parking shall be limited.
- (b)Places where parking shall be prohibited entirely or only during certain hours.
- (c)The establishment of stop sign controls for through streets or isolated intersections.
- (d)The establishment of traffic signal controls.
- (e)The direction in which traffic may use any street or portion of a street.
- (f)Restrictions on the size of vehicles using certain streets.
- (g)The establishment of speed zones upon metropolitan streets and roads based upon the findings of the commission. When such zones are properly signposted, the speed indicated on the signs shall be the legal speed limit.

Such traffic regulations adopted by the commission shall take effect five (5) days after they have been published in a daily newspaper of general circulation within the area of the metropolitan government and after a certified copy thereof has been filed with the metropolitan clerk and the chief of police. Such regulations, when so adopted, shall have the force and effect of an ordinance, and shall be enforced by the metropolitan police. The metropolitan council shall provide by ordinance for the punishment of violators of such traffic regulations and shall fix proper and adequate fines and penalties.