



METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY

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MAYOR**

**NASHVILLE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
AND MULTIMODAL INFRASTRUCTURE**

MEMORANDUM

TO: Metropolitan Traffic and Parking Commission

FROM: Jason Oldham, Assistant Chief of Engineering,
Nashville Department of Transportation

DATE: June 5, 2023

SUBJECT: June 12, 2023, Traffic and Parking Commission Agenda Analysis

PURPOSE:

Provide an overview of all items on the upcoming Metropolitan Traffic and Parking Commission agenda to ensure that commission members have the information necessary for discussion and action prior to the commission meeting.

Commissioners are encouraged to contact Nashville Department of Transportation (NDOT) staff prior to the meeting with any questions.

STAFF ANALYSIS:

Consent Agenda

- 4.01 CD 22: Authorization to reduce posted speed limit on US Hwy 70S between Saddle Ridge Ct and US Hwy 70 (Charlotte Pike) from 50 mph to 40 mph, SR 1641058.

Analysis: The Major and Collector Street Plan designates Hwy 70S as T3-R-AB2-S, a scenic two-lane arterial boulevard. Configured with two 12-ft travel lanes, this street is constructed with a rural ditch section, no sidewalk, and no bicycle lanes. The segment of Hwy 70S between Hwy 70 and Saddle Ridge Ct has a posted speed limit of 50 mph. Beyond these limits to the south, the posted speed limit is 40 mph from Saddle Ridge Ct to I-40. To the north, US Hwy 70S ends at US Hwy 70 (Charlotte Pike) with a posted 50 mph speed. A new traffic signal is under construction for the driveway to James Lawson School, which intersects with this segment of US Hwy 70S.

With the addition of a new signal for the school driveway, new bus routes, and new school traffic, the posted speed limit should be reduced on this road segment to 40 mph.



Recommendation: Authorize 40 mph posted speed limit on US Hwy 70S from Saddle Ridge Ct to US Hwy 70.

Regular Agenda

5.01 Events needing Metro Employees Assistance.

Analysis: This item is to apprise the Commission of requests for fee waivers for use of Metro’s parking garages as well as bagged meter requests. The NDOT policy for waiving parking fees was approved by the Commission at the September 12, 2022, meeting and is reproduced below.

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SECTION: Parking	POLICY NO.: 2022-01
SUBJECT: WAIVING OF PARKING FEES	EFFECTIVE: September 13, 2022 PAGE: 1
APPLIES TO: NDOT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEW ISSUE <input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL REVISION <input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE REVISION
PURPOSE: To enact a policy for waiving of parking fees POLICY: 0 This policy adheres to Metropolitan Charter Section 11.907, Management and control of parking meters, garages and other traffic facilities regarding Traffic & Parking commission are to establish and regulate parking revenue thereof: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. The commission shall have power to control and manage parking facilities in any metropolitan street or road, including the installation of parking meters or other necessary equipment in connection therewith, B. The commission shall also have control and management of any public parking garage or other traffic facilities, C. Therefore, waiving of any fees must be presented to the Traffic and Parking Commission for approval. D. Fees can be waived only for Metro Nashville Department supported events. E. Staff will bring annually to the Commission a list of Metro supported events for approval of waived parking fees. F. Schedule of service charges in connection with the use of parking meters, a copy of which schedule shall be kept on file and subject to public inspection at NDOT office. 	
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2023 upcoming special events involving a fee waiver:

Music City July 4th Celebration – The Nashville Convention & Visitors Corp requests complementary parking in the Public Square Garage for Metro’s annual July 4 event. Note that this current request is the identical to the one made for prior years’ July 4 events. Complementary garage parking for the 2022 July 4 event was approved by the Commission at the June 13, 2022 meeting.

Approval for complementary parking for the 2023 July 4 event requires T&P authorization at the June 12, 2023, meeting.

Sunday, July 2, 2023

50 spaces

Monday, July 3, 2023

100 spaces

Tuesday, July 4, 2023

250 spaces

Wednesday, July 5, 2023

50 spaces

John Lewis Way Procession has become an annual event on Rep John Lewis Way between Jefferson St and Commerce St. The Mayor’s Office of Film and Special Events indicates that the 2023 event application fee has been waived at the request of Deputy Mayor Haywood. Fifteen parking meters are installed along this route. A bagged meter fee waiver is requested for the upcoming July 15, 2023, event.

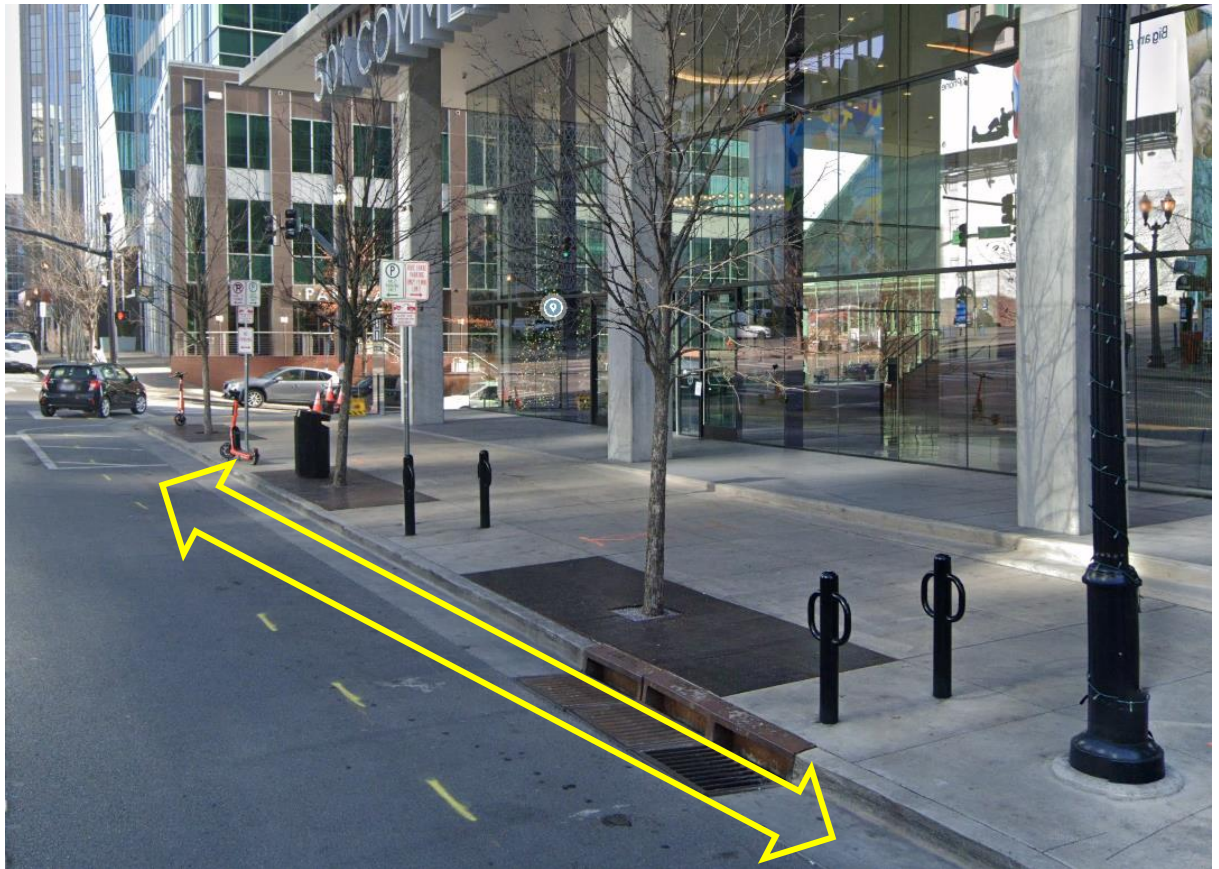
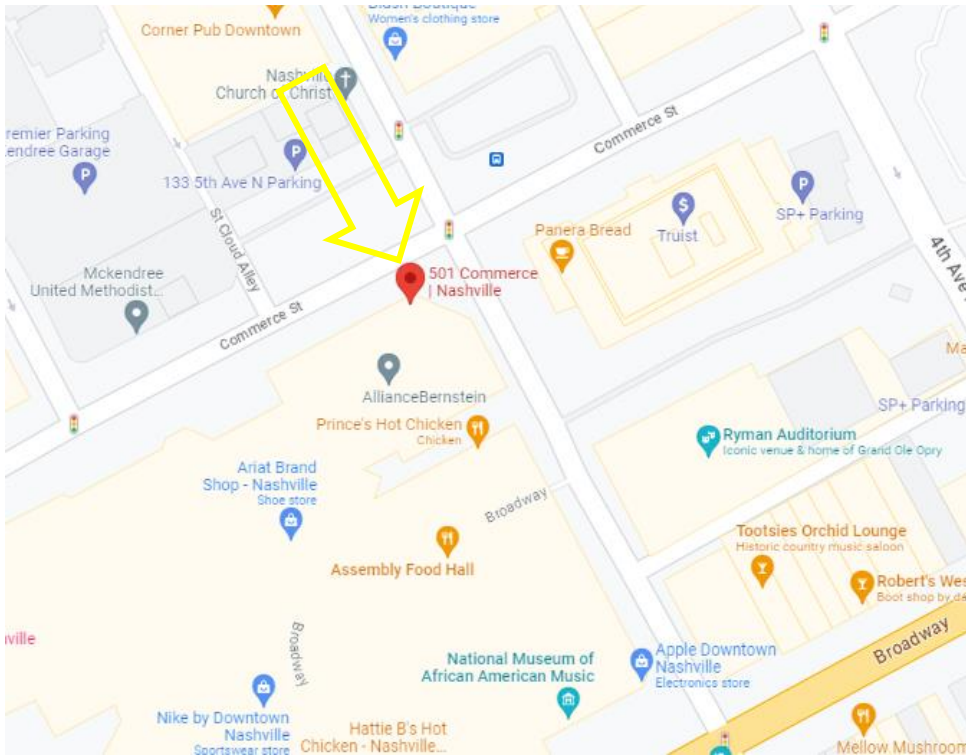
Approval for this fee waiver will require T&P authorization at the June 12, 2023, meeting.

Recommendations:

Approve fee parking fee waiver for Metro Public Square Garage for the 2023 July 4 event, running from July 2 through July 5.

Approve a bagged parking meter fee waiver for the John Lewis Way procession for Rep John Lewis Way between Jefferson St and Commerce St for the July 15, 2023 special event.

- 5.02 CD 19: Authorization to revoke existing valet lane and replacement with new ride share parking regulation at 501 Commerce St, requested by NDOT, SR 1711956.



Analysis: The existing rideshare parking at 501 Commerce was approved on the south side of Commerce St at the July 2021 T&P meeting. Located about 50 feet west of Rep John Lewis Way, the rideshare parking space is about 25 ft in length and is bookended by a one-space valet lane to the east and a garage driveway ramp to the west. The current signage reads RIDESHARE PARKING ONLY 15 MIN LIMIT.

The existing valet lane was approved at the August 2021 T&P meeting at the request of Premier Parking. This valet lane is no longer in use and the valet fee has not been paid.

Approval of this request will remove the valet lane and replace with a single rideshare curbspace, approximately 45 ft in length +/-.

Recommendation: Authorize revocation of existing valet lane and replacement with rideshare pick-up & drop-off only at 501 Commerce St.

Unfinished Business

6.01 Residential Parking Policy.

Presented by Director Alarcon

Recommendation: Approval of policy as presented by Director Alarcon.

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SECTION: <b style="text-align: center;">Parking	POLICY NO.: 2022-03
SUBJECT: <b style="text-align: center;">Residential Parking Permit Policy	EFFECTIVE: PAGE: 1
APPLIES TO: NDOT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEW ISSUE <input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL REVISION <input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE REVISION
PURPOSE: To enact a policy to define the guidelines for approval consideration of Residential Parking Permit Parking POLICY: 0 This policy adheres to Metropolitan Charter Section 12.42.030, Residential Permit Parking Areas—Eligibility Requirements regarding Traffic & Parking commission are to establish and regulate parking permits thereof: <div style="margin-left: 40px;"> <p>A. Desired street must be an NDOT accepted street and parameters distinctly defined.</p> <p>B. Application must be sponsored by location District Council Representative.</p> <p>C. 70% of location Homeowners (Owner defined as property taxpayer) must sign and provide homeowner documentation</p> <p>D. Once application is completed and received a member of NDOT traffic engineering will make a site visit and report findings to the T&P commission.</p> <p>E. Defined time range restricting location to residential parking only to be established by T&P Commission based on staff report</p> <p>F. T&P Commission will then review and rule on application.</p> <p>G. Residents within said approved location will need to complete RPP application- Attached</p> <p>H. Registered applicants will be enrolled in citation management system white list for enforcement</p> <p>I. Maximum of two (2) permits per residence</p> <p>J. Residential parking permits are not valid in metered spaces</p> <p>K. Space availability will be based on a first come, first serve basis and does not guarantee available parking</p> <p>L. Annual fee of \$30 to be paid per issued residential parking permit</p> </div>	
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Metro Nashville Residential Parking Permit Application

1. Permits will expire on December 31st and must be renewed by permit holder annually by January 10th. Renewal fee is \$30.00, payable to the Nashville Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure.
2. Permits are not transferable and are valid only in the area specified and only for the vehicle described on the permit.
3. Permits are enforced by License Plate Recognition also known as LPR.
4. Proof of residency for the residential permit area that an applicant is applying for must be submitted with the application for a permit to be issued.

First & Last Name

Driver's License Number

Home Address

Phone Number

Vehicle Make/ Model/ Color

License Plate Number & Expiration Date

Print Name:

Signature:

Date: _____

Mail or Deliver Petition(s) to:
 Nashville Department of Transportation & Multimodal Infrastructure;
 Attention: Traffic Division 720 South 5th Street, Nashville, TN 37206
 Customer Service: 615-862-8750
 Email: NDOTTraffic@nashville.gov

**NASHVILLE DEPARTMENT of TRANSPORTATION
 & MULTIMODAL INFRASTRUCTURE**

**PETITION FOR RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING
 ORDINANCE 93-562**

Block Representative: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____
 Phone Number: _____ Address: _____ Email Address: _____

Geographic limits of requested residential permit parking:

From House #	To House #	Side of Road (i.e. North Side)	Roadway

Requested time of day residential permits would be required: _____
 If desired, maximum time limit that non-permit holders (visitors, family members, etc.) could legally park (i.e. 1-2 hours): _____
 Confirmed by Council Member: _____ Date: _____
(Printed Name and Signature of District's Council Member)

The undersigned residents petition the Traffic and Parking Commission and Nashville Department of Transportation & Multimodal Infrastructure staff to designate this area as Residential Permit Parking only. At a minimum, this petition contains the signatures of 75% of the residents that would be residential permit holders within the aforementioned geographic limits.

#	Name (printed)*	Signature	Home Address	TN Driver's License #**	Vehicle License #

* Legally handicapped and those over sixty years of age who do not drive should include proof of residency.
 ** Address listed on TN driver's license must be located within geographic limits of requested residential permit parking.
 Note: May require multiple petition forms.

6.02 Overview of smart metered parking and clarification of 24/7 parking changes.
Presented by NDOT Parking/LAZ

The parking meter active times policy below was approved by the T&P Commission at the December 2022 meeting and is included in this report as background information for the Commissioners. Video discussion of this meeting's active meter policy is available on Metro's YouTube channel starts at 1:01:22 at this URL: <https://youtu.be/DzYu1sjfA9s?t=3682>

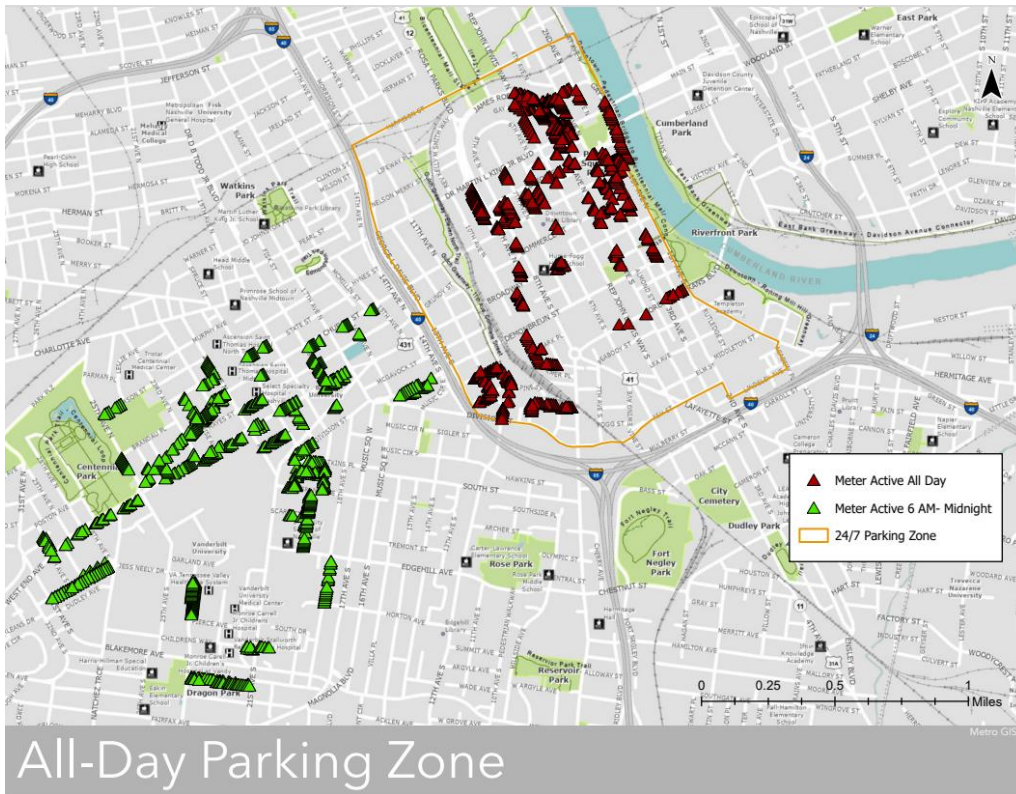


Figure 1-Map of parking zones presented at December 2022 Traffic & Parking Commission.

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SECTION: <p style="text-align: center;">Parking</p>	POLICY NO.: 2022-03
SUBJECT: <p style="text-align: center;">Parking Meter Active Hours</p>	EFFECTIVE: December 12, 2022 PAGE: 1
APPLIES TO: NDOT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEW ISSUE <input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL REVISION <input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE REVISION
PURPOSE: To enact a policy for defining days and times for parking meters to be active POLICY: 0 This policy adheres to Metropolitan Charter Section 11.907, Management and control of parking meters, garages and other traffic facilities regarding Traffic & Parking commission are to establish and regulate parking revenue thereof: <div style="margin-left: 40px;"> A. Parking meters in the Central Business District defined by the attached map will be operational to collect parking fees 24 hours a day for 7 days a week. B. Parking Meters in the area outside of the Central Business District defined in the attached map will be operational from 6am until Midnight 7 days a week C. Individuals with disabilities who have a parking hangtag or license plate with the International Symbol of Access may park on the street at no cost but must observe time limits. D. Notwithstanding the increased times of meter operations in paragraphs A and B, calculated lost meter revenues for valet lanes shall remain unchanged by this policy. Lost meter revenues shall be calculated based on the meter hours of operation (8 AM – 6 PM, Mon – Sat) that were in effect when the valet fee policy was approved by the Traffic & Parking Commission on 7/12/21. </div>	
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- 6.03 Connect Downtown Update.
Presented by Director Alarcon

New Business

- 7.01 Sidewalk vending & new TN law regulating hemp-derived cannabinoids.

This item is to apprise the Commission of a recent change to Tennessee law.

On May 11, 2023, Governor Lee signed SB 0378 to regulate the sale and distribution of products containing a hemp-derived cannabinoid.

With the passage of this law, it becomes a class A misdemeanor to knowingly distribute samples of products containing a hemp-derived cannabinoid in or on a public street, sidewalk, or park. The effective date of this section of the legislation is July 1, 2023.

- 7.02 Update on Metro Library Parking Garage.
- 7.03 Downtown Partnership Annual Parking Report.

Other Items

- 8.01 Change in meeting location for July, August, and September Commission meetings.

Due to early and scheduled voting at the Howard Office Building, the July, August, and September Traffic & Parking Commission will meet at the MNPD East Precinct Community Room, 936 E. Trinity Lane.