



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

July 10, 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 (absent), Saralee Woods, Council Member Angie Henderson, Feller Brown, Brandon Mason, Santi Tefel (absent), Meshach Adams, Santos Gonzales, Captain Raymond Jones (MNPDP)

STAFF

Deputy Director Brad Freeze, Chief Engineer Hal Balthrop, Jason Oldham, Marcus Jackson, Brandon Boatswain, Teresa Costonis, Andrew Smith, Korby Bowden, Darlene Thompson

OTHERS

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairman Feller Brown called the meeting of July 10, 2023, to order at 3:00 p.m. Vice Chairman Feller Brown 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

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

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 3.01. Approval of minutes from the June 12, 2023, meeting.
- Commissioner Woods moved for approval of the June 12, 2023, minutes. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- 4.01.
- 4.01.00 Hillside Ave Abandonment
 - 4.02.00 Alley #25 #246 Abandonment
 - 4.03.00 N 18th Street Abandonment
 - 4.04.00 Alley# 1838 Abandonment
 - 4.05.00 CD19: Traffic Schedule correction along Scarritt Place. Requested by NDOT.
 - Commissioner Woods moved for approval of the consent agenda. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.

5. REGULAR AGENDA

- 5.01. Draft Policy on Standard Operating Procedure for Additional Metered Parking.
- Marcus Jackson Parking Manager and Brandon Boatswain of Laz spoke to the policy. Brad Freeze also provided additional information surrounding the background of the policy. Commissioner Woods moved to approve. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.
- 5.02. CD Various: Authorization for proposed new metered parking spaces. Requested by NDOT.
- 5.02.1. East side of 1st Ave S between Peabody & Hermitage Ave
 - 5.02.2. North side of Peabody from Hermitage Ave to 2nd Ave S
 - 5.02.3. East & West sides of Rutledge Ave from Lea Ave to Middleton Street
 - 5.02.4. East & West of 4th Ave S from KVB to Peabody Street.
 - 5.02.5. North side of Division Street from Lyle Ave to 19th Ave S
 - 5.02.6. East side of Lyle Ave from Broadway to Division Street
 - 5.02.7. East and West Side of 18th Ave S from Division Street to Chet Atkins Place
 - 5.02.8. East side of 18th Ave S from Chet Atkins Place to Edgehill Ave
 - 5.02.9. North & South sides of Grand Ave from Music Sq E (16TH Ave S) to Dead End
 - 5.02.10. East side of Music Sq from Tremont to South St
 - 5.02.11. South side of McGavock St. from 16th Ave S to 14th Ave S (Mid-Block)
 - 5.02.12. South side of Patterson St. from 24th Ave N to 23rd Ave N (Mid-Block)
 - 5.02.13. East side of 22nd Ave N from Charlotte Ave to Murphy Ave
 - 5.02.14. West side of 21st Ave N from Patterson St to Murphy Ave
- Marcus Jackson and Brandon Boatswain provided background surrounding each location. Commissioner Woods moved to approve. Commissioner Mason seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 6.01. Residential Parking Permit Policy
- Marcus Jackson Parking Manager provided an overview of the policy. Brad Freeze updated the commission on the revisions that were made and provided clarification that the policy was in alignment with the existing code. Teresa Costonis clarified that home health would be considered a service or service vehicle making them exempt with this revised policy. Commissioner Woods moved to approve. Commissioner Mason seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- 7.01. Public Comments procedures review and discussion.
- Jason Oldham and Brad Freeze provided an update to standing rules based on a new state law that was passed. This policy addresses new procedures that need to be adopted surrounding the public comment period. A proposal was provided based on best practices from another commission. Discussion was had surrounding the intent of the new law and how it related to this commission. Commissioner Woods moved to approve. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. Additional discussion was prompted surrounding the language of the law and interpretation of the intent. Teresa Costonis gave insight and guidance. Council Member Henderson provided her understanding of the intent of the law and provided her recommendation to the commission. Commissioner Adams withdrew his previous motion. Commissioner Woods motioned to defer until the August Meeting. Council Member Henderson seconded the motion. The motion was deferred with no objections.

8. OTHER ITEMS

- 8.00 Commissioner Woods asked for advise on how the commission can work to save lives. Brad Freeze suggested that the commission ask the department for updates on activities and items that are being implemented.

8.01 Commissioner Henderson shared an update from the council side of the house. The bill she cosponsored along with Council Member Rutherford and several other sponsors was passed bringing neighborhood classified streets down to 25 mph to align both the GSD and the USD.

8.02 Commissioner Adams asked for recommendations for lowering the speed limit on state routes. He would like this to be this to be actioned. Council Member Henderson noted that the next logical step would be county wide lowering of the speed limit on 2 lane county wide collectors.

8.03 Please note the next meeting will be held in August here at the East Precinct.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Captain Jones moved to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 4:09 pm.

Approved on the 14th day August 2023.

Traffic and Parking Commission Resolution No. 23-07

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- 6.01.00 Residential Parking Permit Policy

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 August 14, 2023.

TENNESSEE NOTARY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

State of Tennessee

County of Davidson

On this 14th day of August 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 14th day of August 2023.

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.