



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

**October 9, 2023**

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/watch?v=1K5mz2w3dIA>)

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, (absent) Feller Brown (Vice Chair) (absent), Brandon Mason, Santos Gonzales, Santi Tefel (absent), Meshach Adams (absent), Captain Jones (MNPd)

**STAFF**

Director Diana Alarcon, Brad Freeze, Erica Haber, Andrew Smith, Marcus Jackson, Emanuel Matyas, Korby Bowden, Darlene Thompson

**OTHERS**

Laz Parking General Manager Brandon Boatwain, Dennis Ferrier W2TV, Michael Briggs Director of Mobility for Vanderbilt, Hannah Davis Housing Division of Metro Planning

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman John Green called the meeting of October 9, 2023, to order at 3:00 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."*

*"Per the Tennessee Open Meetings Act, Public Chapter No. 300, members of the public are invited to provide comment on matters germane to the items on the agenda."*

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Woods moved for approval of the agenda; it was seconded by Commissioner Mason. The agenda was approved with no objection.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- 3.1. Approval of minutes from September 11, 2023, meeting.
- Commissioner Mason moved for approval of the September 11<sup>th</sup> minutes. Commissioner Woods seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.

**4A. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

-Dennis Ferrer – Representing myself and other Nashvillians. This idea that we continue to add meters as a revenue enhancement to the city. At what point do we consider the people, enhancing their life? Representing the people of Ascension church people are having to pay to park to go to church.

-Jeremiah Wooten – Thank you for prioritizing all Nashvillians and not just those that drive. Right of way is not just for Nashvillians that own/drive cars.



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## **5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

5.1 CD 22: Modify current yield stop control to two-way stop control on Indian Springs Dr at Harpeth Valley Rd, requested by NDOT.

- Commissioner Woods moved to approve. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gonzales. The motion was approved with no objections.

## **6. REGULAR AGENDA**

6.1 CD19: Authorization of 15-minute limited parking 6AM-6PM Mon-Fri on both sides of Rosa Parks Ave north of Union St, State Shuttle Parking Only 6AM -6PM Mon-Fri on the east side of Rosa Parks Ave South of Martin L. King Jr. Blvd, requested by the State of Tennessee.

- Jason Oldham spoke to the need for a fire lane and a carve out for the state employee shuttle. As well as to add smart/metered parking to the area after hours. Director Alarcon provided clarification to the ecommerce parking we would like approval to add. Commissioner Mason moved to approve. Commissioner Woods seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.

6.2 CD19: Authorization for new passenger loading zone at the curb cutout on 20<sup>th</sup> Ave S near Terrace Pl, requested by Vanderbilt.

- Michael Briggs Director of Mobility for Vanderbilt spoke to the need for signage at the above referenced location. Brandon Boatswain of LAZ Parking added some clarification to the request. Commissioner Woods moved to approve. Commissioner Gonzales seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.

6.3 CD19: Authorization for truck restrictions, No Trucks over 16,000 lbs. on Battle Road from Burkett Rd to the Williamson County Line, requested by NDOT, SR 1733513.

- Jason Oldham gave background surrounding the very curvy road that is being destroyed due to large truck traffic. Commissioner Mason asked for clarification to homeowners having construction vehicles on the road. The Chair sought guidance from legal. Commissioner Woods moved to defer one month pending legal. Commissioner Gonzales seconded the motion. The motion was deferred with no objections.

6.4 CD 1: Authorization for a new signal at Dickerson and Whites Creek Pike, requested by NDOT.

- Jason Oldham gave background on safety issues at the location and future development. Hannah Davis from the Housing Division of Metro Planning. Spoke to the need to build above and beyond safety infrastructure. We did not have the warrant analysis in hand, so we are asking for a deferral. Commissioner Woods moved to defer one month. Commissioner Gonzales seconded the motion. The motion was deferred with no objections.

## **7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

## **8. NEW BUSINESS**

8.1 Smart Parking Update

- Emanuel Matyas was introduced and welcomed to the team. He is the new Curb Operations Manager.
- Brandon Boatswain LAZ Parking, Marcus Jackson and Director Alarcon provided an update to evolution of smart parking. Discussion was had surrounding areas where we can improve our efforts, feedback was given.

## **9. OTHER ITEMS**

## **10. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Captain Jones moved to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 4:11 pm.

Approved on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of November 2023.

**Traffic and Parking Commission Resolution No. 23-10**

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6.2 CD19: Authorization for new passenger loading zone at the curb cutout on 20<sup>th</sup> Ave S near Terrace Place.

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 November 13, 2023.

**TENNESSEE NOTARY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

State of Tennessee

County of Davidson

On this 13<sup>th</sup> day of November 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 13<sup>th</sup> day of November 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.