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

June 10, 2024

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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

Brandon Mason (Chair), Saralee Woods (Vice Chair), Council Member Quin Evans-Segall, Santos Gonzales, Santi Tefel (absent), Neil Kornutick, Captain Jones (MNPd)

STAFF

Brad Freeze, Anna Dearman, Teresa Costonis, Erica Haber, Andrew Smith, Marcus Jackson, Emanuel Matyas, Korby Bowden, Brandon Boatswain Laz Parking General Manager.

OTHERS

Council Member Kupin, Jake Varshal with PMC, Lisa LeClair of Greater Nashville Hospitality and Eric Swartz with Metropolis, Daniel Harper with Giarratana Parking LLC, and Michelle Scopel with MDHA

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Brandon Mason called the meeting of June 10, 2024, to order at 3:00 p.m. Chairman Brandon Mason 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 Gonzales. The agenda was approved with no objections.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1 May 13, 2024, Meeting Minutes.

- Commissioner Gonzales made a motion to approve; Commissioner Woods seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.

4A. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Council Member Kupin came to address and provide clarification to the tourism improvement zone that was previously passed by the commission.

5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

5.1 CD 33: Authorization for new Truck Restriction, no trucks over 8 tons on Preston Rd from Pettus Rd to Old Franklin Rd, requested by NDOT.

5.2 CD 33: Authorization for a new Truck Restriction, no trucks over 8 tons on Pettus Rd from Old Hickory Blvd to Old Hickory Blvd, requested by NDOT.



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5.3 CD 33: Authorization for a new Truck Restriction, no trucks over 8 tons on Blue Hole Rd from Bell Rd to Pettus Rd, requested by NDOT.

5.4 CD 02: Approval for a new Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon on Dickerson Pike at Rock St, requested by NDOT.

5.5 CD 19: Approval for relocation of existing valet lane from Union St to 300 4th Ave N, and new No Parking restrictions on the north side of Union St, requested by NDOT.

- Council Member Evans-Segall clarified that sufficient notice was provided for items 5.1 and 5.2, legal confirmed. Commissioner Kornutick asked that 5.5 be placed on regular agenda for discussion. Commissioner Woods moved to approve modified consent agenda; Commissioner Gonzales seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.

6. REGULAR AGENDA

5.5 CD 19: Approval for relocation of existing valet lane from Union St to 300 4th Ave N, and new No Parking restrictions on the north side of Union St, requested by NDOT.

- Emanuel Matyas with NDOT provided background on this request. Commissioner Kornutick wanted clarification regarding any issues that may present with future Connect Downtown plans. Clarification was provided. Council Member Evans-Segall moved to approve. Commissioner Woods seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.

6.1 Ethics Refresher

- Teresa Costonis with legal provided an update to the commission.

6.2 CD19: Approval of Demonbreun Hill Bikeway improvements, requested by NDOT.

6.2.1 Authorization to reduce posted speed limit on Demonbreun St from 30 mph to 25 mph between 14th Ave S and Buddy Killen Circle.

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6.2.3 Authorization to permanently remove a total of 31 pay parking spaces (20 north side and 11 south side) of Demonbreun St between 14th Ave S and Buddy Killen Circle.

6.2.4 Authorization for three new loading zones, 300ft on the north side, 50ft on the north side, and 70 ft on the south side for Demonbreun St between 14th Ave S and Buddy Killen Circle effective 24/7.

6.2.5 Authorization for approximately 64 new parking spaces to replace the parking lost to the bikeway project and increase the inventory of nearby pay parking –

- 17th Ave S/Music Square W between Roy Acuff & Division (18 spaces +/-)
- 17th Ave S/Music Square W between Chet Atkins & Roy Acuff (12 spaces +/-)
- 17th Ave S/Music Square W between Grand & Chet Atkins (14 spaces +/-)
- 16th Ave S/Music Square W between Music Circle S & Division (6 spaces +/-)
- 16th Ave S/Music Square W between South St & Music Circle S (4 spaces +/-)
- 16th Ave S/Music Square W between Grand & South St (10 spaces +/-)

- Anna Dearman with NDOT provided background to this group of requests. Commissioner Kornutick and Council Member Evans-Segall spoke in favor of the project. Council Member Evans-Segall moved to approve. Commissioner Gonzalez seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objection.

6.3 CD19: Authorization for new Pay Parking, co-located with existing loading or permit zones, requested by NDOT.

6.3.1 Gay St Connector, on the west side south of 1st Ave N, effective 6PM-6AM Mon – Fri and all-day weekends, for 39 spaces currently designated for Permit Parking 6AM-6PM Mon-Fri.

6.3.2 4th Ave N, on the east side south of Bankers Alley, effective 6PM-6AM / 7 days for 2 spaces currently designated for Loading Zone 6AM-6PM.

6.3.3 6th Ave N, on the west side between Church St and Union St, effective 24/7, for 11 spaces currently designated No Parking 7AM-9-AM and 4PM-6PM Mon-Fri;

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6.3.6 Rosa L Parks Blvd, on the east side south of Union St, effective 6PM-8AM / 7 days, for 1 space currently designated as Loading Zone from 8AM-6PM;

6.3.7 3rd Ave N, on the east side between Gay St and railroad, effective 24/7 for up to 7 spaces, currently undesignated.

- Emanuel Matyas with NDOT provided background surrounding the request. Brad Freeze with NDOT provided additional clarification. Commissioner Gonzalez motioned to approve. Commissioner Woods seconded the motion. The motion was



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approved with no objection.

6.4 CD 18: Removal of valet lane at 2000 Belcourt Ave, requested by NDOT.

- Commissioner Woods recused herself. Emanuel Matyas gave background surrounding this request. Jake Varshall with PMC is seeking explanation as to what constates a safe vs unsafe in respect to the valet zones. Council Member Evans-Segall provided her insight. Council Member Evans-Segall moved to approve. Commissioner Gonzales seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.

6.5 CD 19: Removal of valet lane at 1904 Broadway, requested by NDOT.

- Emanuel Matyas provided background surrounding this valet zone. Andrew Smith provided additional background surrounding this request. The motion would be to remove the existing valet/loading zone and designate this location as no parking. Commissioner Kornutick is looking for GIS layers identifying loading zones and valets. Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve. Commissioner Kornutick seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.

6.6 Smart Loading Zone Pilot (Presentation only)

- Brad Freeze with NDOT and Kelly Ferguson with Automotus provided a Smart Loading Zone presentation.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7.1 Valet Fee Policy

- Lisa LeClair of Greater Nashville Hospitality and Eric Swartz with Metropolis spoke in favor of the overall valet fee policy. Emanuel Matyas of NDOT gave additional insight to the revision to the Valet Fee Policy. Additional discussions were had surrounding the revised proposed policy and the need for clarification surrounding the maps. Council Member Evans-Segall moved to approve the valet fee policy with the following edits: The first edit was on page 4, #2 to delete the last four words shown in attachment A and replace with defined here and below. Edit two on page 8 the letter N = number of approved metered spaces at 22' each. Remove the word metered from that sentence. Edit three is with the definition of CPD we are going to add a parenthetical at the end of the page that says see attachment A. Edit 4 is at the definition of NCPD we are going to remove the parenetical and deleted in its entirety and add a parenetical that says everywhere else in Davidson County that is not part of the CPD. Edit five is to remove the map located on page 11. Commissioner Gonzales seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objection.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Valet operator licensing process discussion

- Theresa Costonis outlined the responsibilities of the commission as it is outlined in the code. Discussions were had surrounding the current process and what would be needed to get valet licenses approved and the option to assign a staff member as a designee to handle these instances for the commission. Brad Freeze of NDOT provided some additional background on the way this happens with other commissions. Council Member Evans-Segall would like staff to do a presentation what other commissions do and for staff to provide a recommendation. Commissioner Kornutick seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.

8.1.1 Volunteer Valet LLC

- Council Member Evans-Segall made a motion to defer. Commissioner Gonzalez seconded the motion. The motion was deferred with no objections.

8.1.2 Giarratana Parking LLC

- Daniel Harper with Giarratana Parking LLC spoke to the commission regarding his valet application answering questions from the commissioners. Brandon Boatswain of LAZ parking provided clarification surrounding the licensing process. Proposed two valet locations 505 Church St. and 900 Church St. It was identified that as of March 1st this applicant was operating without a license. Commissioner Gibbs moved to approve the license subject to the company voluntarily paying the fine established. That the regulatory body send notification to the business and that they come to the back to this commission for the possibility of probation. Commissioner Gonzalez seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objection.

8.2 Fatal Crash Brief

- Andrew Smith of NDOT provided information on where you can get fatal crash information and where you can learn more about improvements that are being made.

8.3 School Zone Enhanced Markings

- Andrew Smith of NDOT provided an update to the installations that are taking place this summer.

9. OTHER ITEMS

- Michelle Scobell with MDHA and Brad Freeze provided additional information surrounding the 2nd Ave Tourism Improvement legislation. They also provided information surrounding a website offering a way to apply for special event permits on 2nd Ave. Michelle also highlighted all of the pedestrian focus going into the rebuild.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Captain Jones (MNPD) moved to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 PM.

Approved on the 8th day of July 2024.

Traffic and Parking Commission Resolution No. 24-06

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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 July 8, 2024.

TENNESSEE NOTARY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

State of Tennessee

County of Davidson

On this 8th day of July 2024, before me personally appeared Andrew J. Smith, 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 8th day of July 2024.

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.