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#### **METROPOLITAN TRAFFIC & PARKING COMMISSION**

Howard Office Building—Sonny West Conference Room

# August 12, 2024

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The regular monthly meeting of Howard Office Building Sonny West Conference Room. The following were present unless noted otherwise:

#### <u>ATTENDEES</u>

## **COMMISSIONERS**

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

## **STAFF**

Brad Freeze, Teresa Costonis, Erica Haber, Phylinda Ramsey, Derek Hagerty, Andrew Smith, Ricky Rooker, Emanuel Matyas, Korby Bowden, Darlene Thompson, Brandon Boatswain Laz Parking General Manager.

## **OTHERS**

Mayor Freddy O'Connel, Michael Briggs, CM Kupin, and Mina Faried.

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Brandon Mason called the meeting of August 12, 2024, to order at 3:01 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. Council Member Evans-Segall seconded the motion.
 The agenda was approved with no objections.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 3.1 July 8, 2024, Meeting Minutes.
  - Commissioner Gonzales made a motion to approve; Council Member Evans-Segall seconded the motion. The minutes were approved with no objections.

## **4A. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- 4.1 Special presentation: Choose How You Move Overview
  - Mayor Freddy O'Connell and Michael Briggs Director of Transportation Planning from the Mayor's Office gave a special
    presentation regarding the Choose How You Move Program and the upcoming referendum.
- 4.2 Public Comments:
  - None

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## 5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- 5.1 CD 10: Mandatory referral 2024M-006AB-001, a request for Right-of-Way abandonment of a portion of Edenwold Rd Connector, Third St, Cumberland Blvd, and an unnumbered alley, requested by Metro Water Services.
- 5.2 CD 19: Mandatory referral 2023M-002AB-001, a request for Right-of-Way abandonment of a portion of Alley #196, requested by Kimley Horn & Associates.
- 5.3 CD 35: Authorization for a new Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon on Hwy 100, approximately 400 ft north of Chaffin Dr, requested by NDOT.
- 5.4 CD 13: Authorization to replace existing Yield control at Quail Road & Quail Run with new stop control, requested by NDOT.
- 5.5 CD 06: Authorization for All Way Stop control at South 5th St & Crutcher St, requested by NDOT.
- 5.6 CD 01: Authorization for vehicle size restrictions (No Trucks over 8T) on Knight Drive from Brick Church Ln to Whites Creek Pk, requested by NDOT.
  - Commissioner Kornutick moved to approve. Commissioner Woods seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.

## 6. REGULAR AGENDA

- 6.1 CD 19: A request for All Way Stop Cheatham Place & Delta Ave, Cheatham Place & 9<sup>th</sup> Ave N, and Cheatham Place & 10<sup>th</sup> Ave N, requested by CM Kupin.
  - Council Member Kupin spoke to the need for an All-Way Stop. Andrew Smith and Brad Freeze with NDOT spoke to the All-Way stop not being warranted at these locations. Discussion was had surrounding the intersections and NDOT's approach to adding safety measures to the area. Council Member Evans-Segall would like for a more comprehensive approach be taken. Commissioner Woods moved to defer one month; Council Member Evans-Segall seconded the motion. The motion was deferred one month with no objections.
- 6.2 Approval of draft sidewalk vending ordinance revisions, amending Section 13.08.040 of the Metro Code to add additional language for the Commission to consider when evaluating disciplinary cases of sidewalk vending permits.
  - Council Member Evans-Segall provided background to this request. Brad Freeze with NDOT spoke in support of the revisions.
     Commissioner Kornutick moved to approve. Commissioner Woods seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.
- 6.3 Approval of draft loading ordinance revisions, amending Sections 12.48.030 and 12.48.050 of the Metro Code to allow NDOT to set time limits for passenger and freight loading zones.
  - Brad Freeze with NDOT provided background to the draft ordinance. Council Member Evans-Segall moved to approve. Commissioner Woods seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.

#### 7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 7.1 Approval of Smart Loading Pilot Program, requested by NDOT.
  - Commissioner woods moved for a two-month deferral. Council Member Evans-Segall seconded the motion. The motion was deferred with no objections.
- 7.2 CD 11, 14, 15, 19: Updated discussion on reducing posted speed limits on Hermitage Ave/Lebanon Pk from Korean Veterans Blvd to the Wilson County line, requested by NDOT.
  - Robin Lovett-Owen, Charles Weingartner, and Ben Hubert with the Vizion Zero Advisory Committee spoke in favor of the speed limit reduction and request that action be taken sooner rather than later. Brad Freeze and Derek Hagerty with NDOT gave background and provided a presentation regarding what types of considerations are taken regarding lowering speed limits. Extensive discussions were had surrounding the issue. Commissioner Mohamed moved to defer on month. Commissioner Woods seconded the deferral. The motion was deferred with Commissioner Kornutick objecting.
- 7.3 Update of sidewalk encroachment permit suspension for Munchies LLC.
  - Ricky Rooker with NDOT provided an update and advised that Mr. Fared was currently in compliance. It was noted that Mr. Fared is working for another company and has filed a slow pay, it has been confirmed that he is current on slow pay. If Mr. Fared is allowed to vend, he has stated that he will use his smaller cart and appropriately display his licenses. Chair Mason would like to see an update next month regarding the process. Commissioner Mohamed moved to lift the suspension. Commissioner Woods seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.



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# 8. NEW BUSINESS

None

# 9. OTHER ITEMS

- 9.1 Vision Zero crash statistics summary
  - Andrew Smith provided background to the request. Derek Hagerty and Brad Freeze with NDOT provided clarification surrounding the table. The Commission would like to see the Vision Zero report card.
- 9.2 Valet operator license summary
  - This is the update that the commission requested and will be given each month going forward. No action is needed.

## **10. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Captain Jones (MNPD) moved to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 5:01 PM.

Approved on the 9th day of September 2024.

## Traffic and Parking Commission Resolution No. 24-08

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I with the Nashville Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure do certify the today's agenda amending Chapter 12 of the Metropolitan Code were approved by the Traffic and Parking Commission on Septem	
TENNESSEE NOTARY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT	
State of Tennessee	
County of Davidson	
On this 9 <sup>th</sup> day of September 2024, before me personally appeared Andrew J. Smith, to me known to be the person (or persons) cexecuted the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that such person (or persons) executed the same as such person (or persons)	
Witness my hand, at office, this 9 <sup>th</sup> day of September 2024.	
	Notary's Signature
Seal	
My commission expires:	

<u>Traffic and Parking Commission Authority:</u> 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.