

Traffic Commission Minutes
December 12th, 2025

When: Thursday December 11th, 2025 at 5:30pm

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1. Listen to the other side
2. Focus on issues, not personalities
3. Avoid questioning motives
4. Be polite

Attendance: Chair Jill Lathan, Councilor Naima Sait, Lena Webb, Assistant Chief Sean Tierney, Lt. Michael Holland

Staff: Jackie Stagnari, Adrienne Pomeroy, Jacob Murray

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

The Chair requested a roll call to confirm a quorum.

Chair Lathan – present
Councilor Sait – present
Lena Webb – present
Asst. Chief Tierney – present
Lt. Michael Holland – present

Item #1 – Acceptance of the Minutes from the November 13th, 2025 Traffic Commission meeting.

Motion to approve made by Councilor Sait, seconded by Lena Webb. A roll call vote was taken; Chair Lathan-yes, Councilor Sait-yes, Lena Webb-yes, Asst. Chief Tierney-yes, Lt. Holland-yes. The motion carried 5-0-0.

Item #2 – Request for accessible parking spaces at the following locations:

- a) 17 Alpine Street
- b) 149 Sycamore Street
- c) 83 Pearson Ave
- d) 6 Fountain Ave (added to agenda 12/8/25)

Adrienne Pomeroy, ADA Coordinator, stated she recommended all four spaces for approval.

Motion to approve made by Asst. Chief Tierney, seconded by Councilor Sait. A roll call vote was taken; Chair Lathan-yes, Councilor Sait-yes, Lena Webb-yes, Asst. Chief Tierney-yes, Lt. Holland-yes. The motion carried 5-0-0.

The Chair asked the Commission for objections to taking up items #3-7 together, to which there were none.

Item #3 – Request to establish a fire lane at 16-18 Lincoln Parkway from the corner of Joseph Street in a westerly direction to the edge of the driveway.

Item #4 – Request to establish a fire lane on the odd side of Chandler Street from the corner of Park Ave in a northerly direction for 20 feet.

Item #5 – Request to establish a fire lane on the odd side of Park Ave from the corner of Chandler Street in an easterly direction for 20 feet.

Item #6 – Request to establish a fire lane on the even side of Walnut Street from the corner of Jackson Road in a northerly direction for 20 feet.

Item #7 – Request to establish a fire lane on the even side of Walnut Street from the corner of Radcliffe Road in a northerly direction for 20 feet.

Jackie Stagnari, Secretary, stated the official request letters from the Fire Chief had been shared with Commissioners and posted on the City's website ([item #3](#), [item #4](#), [item #5](#), [item #6](#), [item #7](#)). Asst. Chief Tierney stated the requests are for the trucks to be able to make the turns.

Chair Lathan asked about the approach to identifying the need for fire lanes. Asst. Chief Tierney shared they are identified by companies that notify when they have an issue at a location, through staff observation, and through the Parking Department. Chair Lathan inquired about the timeline for signs going up. Jackie Stagnari explained it's typically a month after approval.

Motion to approve made by Lena Webb, seconded by Lt. Holland. A roll call vote was taken; Chair Lathan-yes, Councilor Sait-yes, Lena Webb-yes, Asst. Chief Tierney-yes, Lt. Holland-yes. The motion carried 5-0-0.

Motion to adjourn made at 5:38pm.

Motion to adjourn made by Asst. Chief Tierney, seconded by Lena Webb. A roll call vote was taken; Chair Lathan-yes, Councilor Sait-yes, Lena Webb-yes, Asst. Chief Tierney-yes, Lt. Holland-yes. The motion carried 5-0-0.