

Traffic Commission Minutes
July 7th, 2026 at 5:30pm

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

Staff: Jackie Stagnari, Adam Polinski, Anna Rebelo

Public: Andrea Ilse, Mark Simpson

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:32pm.

Roll Call

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

Item #1 – Approval of the Minutes from the June 2nd, 2026 Traffic Commission Meeting.

A roll call vote was taken; Councilor Sait-yes, Lena Webb-yes, Asst. Chief Tierney-yes, Lt. Holland-yes, Chair Weisman-yes. The motion was approved 5-0-0.

Jackie Stagnari, Staff Liaison, noted the staff member presenting items #2 and 3 had not yet joined the meeting. The Chair asked if there were any objections to taking items #4 and 5 out of order, to which there were none.

Item #4 – a) Regarding the curb on the east side of Stone Ave, from approximately 50 ft north of Union Square to approximately 90 ft north of Union Square, request to convert two metered parking spaces to a 40 ft loading zone.

b) Regarding the curb on the west side of Stone Ave, from approximately 65 ft north of Union Square to approximately 105 ft north of Union Square, request to convert two resident permit parking spaces to metered parking.

Jackie Stagnari, Staff Liaison/Project Manager-Parking, presented the Stone Ave Loading Zone and Metered Parking Request slides.

A roll call vote was taken; Councilor Sait-yes, Lena Webb-yes, Asst. Chief Tierney-yes, Lt. Holland-yes, Chair Weisman-yes. The motion was approved 5-0-0.

Item #5 – Request to change parking regulations on Revolution Drive, as detailed within.

Jackie Stagnari presented the Revolution Drive Parking Change Requests slides. Chair Weisman inquired about the difference between 15 minute parking and loading zone parking. Jackie explained that all loading zones are 20 minutes for commercial plates, and 5 minutes for passenger plates, and 15 minute parking is just 15 minutes for anyone. She noted staff generally do not recommend 15 minute parking, and this is something the Parking and Mobility Departments have been working on for several years now. 15 minute parking is hard to enforce and staff do not observe good compliance, so the city has moved more towards loading zones and promoting the 5 minute passenger plate option for quick trips.

A roll call vote was taken; Councilor Sait-yes, Lena Webb-yes, Asst. Chief Tierney-yes, Lt. Holland-yes, Chair Weisman-yes. The motion was approved 5-0-0.

Item #2 – Regarding the curb on the east side of Prospect St between Oak St and Webster Ave, request to convert 130 feet of residential permit parking only to no parking any time.

Adam Polinski, Senior Planner-Mobility, presented Union Square Transit Signal Priority Improvements slides. Councilor Sait asked if it was possible to make the project flyers that staff post around the area larger or brighter, so they are easier to read. Adam confirmed he would look into this. Chair Weisman asked how many residential spaces were impacted by this. Adam confirmed it was about seven spaces.

A roll call vote was taken; Councilor Sait-yes, Lena Webb-yes, Asst. Chief Tierney-yes, Lt. Holland-yes, Chair Weisman-yes. The motion was approved 5-0-0.

Item #3 – Regarding the curb on both sides of Somerville Ave between #689 and #691, in what is also known as the Wilson Square slip lane, request to convert 140 feet of 2 hour parking except by permit to metered parking.

Jackie Stagnari shared a Google Maps Streetview image of the area. Adam Polinski stated there was a request from a business at this location for metered parking. Staff were in support of this request to support businesses and encourage more turnover of the parking spaces.

A roll call vote was taken; Councilor Sait-yes, Lena Webb-yes, Asst. Chief Tierney-yes, Lt. Holland-yes, Chair Weisman-yes. The motion was approved 5-0-0.

A roll call vote to adjourn the meeting was made at 6:02pm.

Councilor Sait-yes, Lena Webb-yes, Asst. Chief Tierney-yes, Lt. Holland-yes, Chair Weisman-yes. The motion was approved 5-0-0.

Referenced Documents:

- Union Square Transit Signal Priority Improvements
- Stone Ave Loading Zone and Metered Parking Request
- Revolution Drive Parking Change Requests