

Traffic Commission Meeting
October 18, 2007

Attendance:

Members: Dennis Sullivan, Sgt. Rooney, Deputy Chief St. Clair, Stan Koty

Staff: Laura Accaputo, Lawrence Murphy, Terry Smith, James Kotzuba

Public: Nancy Iappini

Meeting called to order @ 6:10pm

Item #1 – Minutes from September 20, 2007 Traffic Commission Meeting accepted unanimously

Motion to suspend the rules to take an item (#8) out of order made by Dennis Sullivan

Item #8 – New Business

Summer Street Development traffic concerns

Resident Nancy Iappini spoke on behalf of the residents of this neighborhood concerning the potential loss of approximately 40 parking spaces on Summer St due to a fire lane that the developer of this property will be implementing. Stan Koty explained that as this is private property (sold to the developer by the MBTA) the Traffic Commission has no jurisdiction and any issues or concerns should be addressed to the Zoning Board of Appeals or the Planning Board

Item #2 – Request for Residential Permit Parking

Wilton St – petition meets criteria

*Motion to **Approve** made by Dennis Sullivan, 2nd Sgt. Rooney, unanimous*

Item #3 – Request for Handicapped Parking

110 Albion St

490 Medford St

33 Minnesota Av

*Motion to **Approve** (all) made by Dennis Sullivan, 2nd Sgt. Rooney, unanimous*

Item #4 – Request for No Turn On Red

North St turning right onto Broadway

*Motion to **Approve** made by Dennis Sullivan, 2nd Sgt. Rooney, unanimous*

Item #5 – Request for Fire Lanes (submitted by Chief Kelleher)

Nevada Av, south side, 20 ft from Hanson St, for a distance of 20 ft

Wilton St, north and south side, at Lowell St, for a distance of ~ 30 ft

Wilton St, south side, west of Henderson St, for a distance of 20 ft

Richardson St, north side, at Lowell St, for a distance of ~ 25 ft

Perkins St, south side, west of Pinckney St, for a distance of 20 ft

Houghton St, south side, west and east of Oak St, for a distance of 20 ft each

Houghton St, north side, east of Oak St, for a distance of 20 ft

Houghton St, north side, east of Bolton St, for a distance of 20 ft
Oak St, east side, north of Houghton St, for a distance of 20 ft
Bolton St, west side, at Houghton St, for a distance of 20 ft
Dimick St, south side, west of Waldo Av, for a distance of 20 ft
Hanson St, south side, at Properzi Way, for a distance of 20 ft
Laurel St, east side, at Greene St, for a distance of 20 ft
Greene St, south side, at Laurel St, for a distance of 20 ft
School St, west side, at both sides of Preston Rd, for a distance of 20 ft each
Holyoke Rd (easterly leg), east side, at Elm St, for a distance of 20 ft
Giles Park, south side, at Walnut St, for a distance of 20 ft
*Motion to **Approve** (all) made by Deputy Chief St. Clair, 2nd Sgt. Rooney, unanimous*

Item #6 – Request to change existing No Parking Here to Corner restrictions to Fire Lane restrictions at the following locations (submitted by Chief Kelleher):

Columbus Av, south side, west and east of Warren Av, for a distance of 20 ft each
Warren Av, east side, at Columbus Av, for a distance of 20 ft
Beacon St, north side, east of Beacon Pl, for a distance of 30 ft
Lowell St, west side, north and south of Crown St, for a distance of 20 ft each
Crown St, north side, west and east of Lowell St, for a distance of 20 ft each
Foster St, north side, at Sycamore St, for a distance of 20 ft
Walnut St, west side, south of Giles Park, for a distance of 20 ft
*Motion to **Approve** (all) made by Deputy Chief St. Clair, 2nd Sgt. Rooney, unanimous*

Item #7 – Items for Discussion

In response to a request made by Alderman Sullivan at last months Traffic Commission Meeting, James Kotzuba will address the Commission regarding the possibility of issuing guest cards to residents of elderly housing that live on non-permit streets if the surrounding streets require permits

James Kotzuba gave Alderman Sullivan information to present to the Board of Alderman with regards to this request

Motion to suspend the rules and add an item (#9) to the agenda made by Dennis Sullivan

Item #9 – Request for Residential Permit Parking Only (12am to 7am) in the rear parking lot at the Skating Rink on Somerville Ave

*After some discussion on whether this property is owned by the City of Somerville or the DCR, a motion was made by Dennis Sullivan to **Approve** this request (pending confirmation from the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development that the City of Somerville owns this property), 2nd Sgt. Rooney, unanimous*

Meeting adjourned @ 6:25pm