

ACTIONS

PARKING and TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

8:00 A.M. – June 4, 2020

Remote Meeting via Zoom Conference Call

PRESENT: City Councilor/Chairman, Peter Whelan
Public Works Director, Peter Rice
Planning Director, Juliet Walker
Fire Chief, Todd Germain
Police Captain, Mark Newport

Members: Mary Lou McElwain, Steve Pesci, Jonathan Sandberg,
Harold Whitehouse, Erica Wygonik (Alternate)

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Parking and Transportation Engineer, Eric Eby
Parking Director, Ben Fletcher

Action Items requiring an immediate ordinance during the next Council meeting:

None

Temporary Action Item requiring an ordinance during the annual omnibus:

None

1. Chairman Peter Whelan recited that this is a Remote Meeting via Zoom Conference Call. Per NH RSA 91-A:2 III (b) the Chair has declared COVID-19 Outbreak an emergency and has waived the requirement that a quorum be physically present at the meeting pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order 2020-04, Section 8, as extended by Executive Order 2020-9, and Emergency Order #12, Section 3. Members will be participating remotely and will identify their location and any person present with them at that location. All votes will be by roll call.
2. Public Comment Session: There were 12 speakers: Gerald Duffy (Middle St. bike lanes); Adrienne Harrison (All-Way STOP at Broad St. & Highland Ave. and Middle St. bike lanes); Matt Glenn (Middle St. bike lanes and Islington St. project); Ann Poubeau (Middle St. bike lanes and Islington St. project); Kristie Jorgensen (Middle St. bike lanes); Ned Raynolds (Middle St. bike lanes); CJ Fleck (Middle St. bike lanes); David Allen (Middle St. bike lanes and Islington St. project); Thomas Gruen (Middle St. bike lanes); Jason Combs (Middle St. bike lanes and vehicles speeding); Josh Pierce (Middle St. bike lanes); Charles Griffin (Middle St. bike lanes).
3. Email Correspondences: Kristie Jorgensen (Middle St. bike lanes) and Thomas Gruen (Middle St. bike lanes alternative proposals)
4. Financial Report – **On a unanimous roll call 9-0, voted** to approve and accept the financial report dated April 30, 2020.

5. Recommended changes to Middle Street bike lanes, by City staff
On a roll call 1-8, motion *failed* to table action item until the August PTS meeting.
 Harold Whitehouse voted in favor. Chairman Whelan, Public Works Director Rice, Planning Director Walker, Fire Chief Germain, Police Captain Newport, Mary Lou McElwain, Steve Pesci and Jonathan Sandberg voted opposed.

On a roll call 8-1, motion passed to endorse recommended changes to bike lanes and send to City Council for approval.
 Public Works Director Rice, Planning Director Walker, Fire Chief Germain, Police Captain Newport, Mary Lou McElwain, Steve Pesci, Jonathan Sandberg and Harold Whitehouse voted in favor. Chairman Whelan voted opposed.
6. Proposed Stay and Pay graduated parking meter rates, by DPW - **On a unanimous roll call 9-0, voted** to approve proposed graduated parking meter rates.
7. Request for All-Way STOP at intersection of Broad Street and Highland Street, by residents of area - **On a unanimous roll call 9-0, voted** to approve request for all-way STOP control at intersection.
8. Request for flashing beacon at intersection of Woodbury Avenue and Dennett Street, by Harold Whitehouse - **On a unanimous roll call 9-0, voted** to request report back from staff at future meeting.
9. Request to improve safety at intersection of Boss Avenue and Sunset Road, due to limited sight lines, by Sarah Lynch - **On a unanimous roll call 9-0, voted** to request report back from staff at future meeting.
10. Islington Street construction update - **On a unanimous roll call 9-0, voted** to recommend the Islington Street construction project continue as planned and contracted.
11. Maplewood Avenue traffic signal changes project status update - No action taken.
12. Traffic volumes during pandemic - No action taken.
13. Omnibus - No action taken.
14. PTS Open Action Items - No action taken.
15. Adjournment - **At 10:16 a.m., on a unanimous roll call 9-0, voted to adjourn.**

Respectfully submitted by:

Amy Chastain
 Secretary to the Committee