

TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Minutes of Meeting of March 16, 2022

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Members Present: Thomas Soyk, Deputy Commissioner of Parking, Acting Chairman
John Larson, Commissioner of Parking
Elizabeth Mirisola, Sr. Asst. Corporation Counsel Law Dept. (for J. Callahan)
Udomlug Siriphonlai, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works (for R. Hope)
David Chong, Commissioner of Public Safety
Eileen McClain, Senior Planner, Planning Department (for C. Gomez)
Melissa Briggs
Honorable Richard Payne

Staff Members Present: Anthony Marena, Transportation Engineer
Edward Ignaszewski, Supervisor of Enforcement

Members Absent: Ken Burford

Staff Members Absent: Daniel McMahon, Captain, Operations Commander

Others Present: Lisa Lopilato, Secretary to Commissioner of Parking

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion made, seconded and carried, the minutes of the February 16, 2022 meeting was approved.

II. OLD BUSINESS

1. Nosband Avenue – Request from Ms. Juliana Luecking, to modify the existing handicapped parking space on Nosband Avenue to make it wheelchair accessible.

The staff field reviewed the location to determine if an accessible ramp could be installed for the existing parking space. It does not appear that this space can be easily modified. The staff recommended removing this space and creating a new space approximately one hundred feet away adjacent to an existing sidewalk ramp.

Acting Chairman Thomas Soyk stated that we are recommending that the ramp be relocated closer to the intersection at Bryant Avenue and Nosband to make use of the existing sidewalk ramp at the intersection. The new accessible space will increase in width to permit a wheelchair to enter and exit the vehicle and sidewalk.

On a motion made, seconded and carried, the Commission recommended the approval of the staff recommendation.

III. NEW BUSINESS

IV. COMMON COUNCIL REFERRALS

The following referral item was received after the staff meeting. Therefore, the staff could not review or make any recommendations.

1. 65 Lake Street – Request from Delbello, Donnellan, Weingarten, Wise & Wiederkehr, LLP, on behalf of Mount Hope A.M.E. Zion Church, for extension of the Site Plan Approval for their proposed multi-family residential project.

On a motion made seconded and carried the Commission recommended to approve the extension.

V. ADDENDUM

New Business

1. Prospect Street at Davis Avenue – Request from Mr. Anthony Zuzolo and three other Prospect Street residents to remove the blinking light at this intersection. The residents do not feel the blinking lights are needed since the stop signs are clearly visible from all directions.

Acting Chairman Thomas Soyk stated that years ago a flashing signal with red in the direction of the stop signs and yellow in the direction without stop signs existed at this intersection. At that time there were three to four accidents per year. This intersection was then improved to an all way stop and the signals were changed to flashing red in all directions to support that change. In the last ten years there has only been two accidents at this location. The four way stop effectively makes the signal not necessary.

On a motion made, seconded and carried the Commission recommended the removal of the flashing signal at Prospect Street and Davis Avenue.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made, seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned at 8:34AM.