

TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Minutes of Meeting of July 19, 2023

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Members Present: Thomas Soyk, Deputy Commissioner of Parking, Acting Chairman
Kevin Livingston, Commissioner of Parking
Elizabeth Mirisola, Sr. Asst. Corporation Counsel Law Dept. (for J. Callahan)
Udomlug Siriphonlai, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works (for S. Mignone)
John Roland, Deputy Commissioner of Public Safety (for D. Chong)
Eileen McClain, Senior Planner (for C. Gomez)
Ken Burford
Honorable Richard Payne

Staff Members Present: Edward Ignaszewski, Supervisor of Enforcement
Daniel McMahon, Captain Operations Commander

Members Absent: Melissa Briggs

Staff Members Absent: Anthony Marena, Transportation Engineer

Others Present: Lisa Lopilato, Secretary to Commissioner of Parking
John Canning
Bruce Berg

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion made, seconded and carried, the minutes of the June 21, 2023 meeting was approved.

II. OLD BUSINESS

1. Lynton Place – Request from Lisandra De La Rosa, a Lynton Place resident, to review the parking restrictions. She feels that the current one-hour restriction is too short and should either be increased or eliminated.

The staff mailed letters to the residents in the area. Eight responses were received of which four indicated no change and four other recommended removing restrictions or extending the duration to two hours. Based on the location of these responses, the staff recommends creating a two-hour zone for approximately two properties west of and east of Sterling Avenue on Lynton Avenue.

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

2. Prescott Avenue/Longview Avenue – Request from Ms. Katie Nyarady Clymer, 190 Longview Avenue to review the area for the safety of the pedestrians and motorists. She feels that the motorists are speeding and that the area should be reviewed to increase safety.

The staff recommended this item be held to allow the staff to measure sight lines.

This item was held.

III. NEW BUSINESS

1. 67 Park Circle – Request from Rudy Rosiello on behalf of Ben Dedushay to create an accessible parking space in front of his home. Ben is wheelchair bound and must constantly move his car during the day because of a two-hour restriction on this street. He is unable to use the driveway during the day due to the steepness of the grade.

The staff recommended holding this item to conduct a field review.

This item was held.

2. Soundview Avenue and Milford Drive – Request from Tom Meagan for a crosswalk across Soundview Avenue at or near Milford Drive.

The staff recommended holding this item to conduct a field review.

This item was held.

IV. COMMON COUNCIL REFERRALS

1. 200 Hamilton Avenue (Hamilton Green) – Request from DelBello, Donnellan, Weingarten, Wise and Wiederkehr, LLP on behalf of WP Mall Realty, LLC and S-WD/WP LLC for a third amendment to the Site Plan Approvals for the mixed-use complex known as “Hamilton Green”.

The staff has noted that there is insufficient backing room at the following locations:

- 1. On level 168 the spaces near the border with the future Phase II connection*
- 2. The center aisles that dead end (three locations).*
- 3. On level 188 near the pool equipment room and the accessible van spaces (two locations).*

John Canning, from Kimley Horn addressed the Commission. He stated that the site plan is for new skin on the windows in addition to eliminating one of the below grade levels because of rock and water. With him was Bruce Berg and they will be submitting revised plans. He requested a positive recommendation to the Common Council subject to review and approval of the revised plans. He believed that the revised plans will answer any concerns.

Acting Chairman Soyk questioned how they were able to make these plan revisions without a change in the number of spaces.

Bruce Berg, also with Kimley Horn and one of two applicants, stated that the ramps have been realigned, the loading docks have been reconfigured and also a level was partially removed. He stated the requirement is 936 spaces and with the revisions they will have 962 spaces. He asked that the Commission be aware that they are not presently resubmitting plans but requesting that the Commission recommend approval subject to changes that will be submitted.

On a motion made, seconded and carried, the Commission recommended the approval of the amendment to the Site Plan Approvals subject to submitted changes to the plans.

2. 1236 Mamaroneck Avenue (Living Word Church) – Request from Cuddy and Feder, LLP on behalf of Living Word Christian Church for an extension of the amended Site Plan Approval associated with a proposed building addition.

The staff has no objections.

On a motion made, seconded and carried, the Commission recommended the approval of the extension of the amended Site Plan Approval.

3. 37 Dekalb Avenue – Request from Cuddy and Feder, LLP on behalf of 37 Dekalb owner for an extension of Site Plan Approval and Special Permit Approval for the conversion of a former nursing home into a three (3) story multi-family apartment building.

The staff has no objections.

On a motion made, seconded and carried, the Commission recommended the approval of the extension Site Plan Approval and Special Permit Approval.

V. ADDENDUM

14 Martine Avenue – La Botte Ristorante – Request from La Botte Ristorante to offer valet parking at this location. An application for Valet Operating Permit has been received and will be

reviewed by the Department of Parking. They will be utilizing two spaces on the street and valeting the cars to the neighboring parking garage. A route for pick up and drop off of cars as well as requested times of operation will be submitted in their application. The valet area will also be reviewed for the addition of meters if necessary.

On a motion made, seconded and carried, the Commission recommended the approval of the request after review by the Department of Parking.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made, seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned at 8:47AM.