

MINUTES  
OF THE MEETING OF THE  
TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMISSION  
July 11, 2011

The regular monthly meeting of the Traffic and Parking Commission was held at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, July 11, 2011, at the M H Howard Conference Center. The following were present unless noted otherwise:

Commission Members

Gene Ward, Chairperson  
Feller Brown  
Breonus Mitchell Sr. - Absent  
Richard Morin  
Steven Turner

Council Member Carl Burch  
Capt. Brian Johnson  
John Green - Absent  
Brenda Sanderson

Staff Members

Chip Knauf, Traffic Engineer  
Corey Harkey, Legal Advisor  
Korby Bowden, Engineering Tech II

Benny Word, Collier Engineering  
Diane Marshall, Parking Administrator  
Julie Herring, CNT

Council Members

Anna Page District 16

Sam Coleman District 32

Guests

Ruby Smith  
Jonathan Saad  
Steve Walsh  
Stanton Tuttle

Tamara Price  
Frank Trew  
Barb Clinton  
Damon Rayml

Chairperson Gene Ward called the meeting of July 11, 2011 to order at 3:00 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Gene Ward mentioned Ordinance No. BL2006-1050 regarding the appeals process of the Traffic and Parking Commission.

*"If you are not satisfied with a decision made by the Traffic & Parking Commission, you may appeal the decision by filing for a writ of certiorari with the Davidson County Chancery or Circuit Court. Your appeal must be filed within 60 days of the date of the entry of the Commission's decision. We advise that you seek your own independent legal advice to ensure that your appeal is filed in a timely manner and that all procedural requirements have been met."*

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mr. Morin moved for **approval** of the Agenda, seconded by Council Member Carl Burch and **approved with no opposition**.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Morin moved for approval of the June 13, 2011 Minutes and seconded by Council Member Carl Burch and **approved by voice vote with no opposition**.

## CONSENT AGENDA

Chairperson Ward read a list of items proposed for **approval** on consent agenda. Mr. Morin made a motion to approve seconded by Council Member Burch and approved with no opposition.

### OLD BUSINESS

1. Request to appeal denial of all way stop at Eulala Dr. and Ashgrove Dr. Requested by Ruby Smith. **Deferred from the June 2011 Commission Meeting.**

Commissioner Ward deferred this item until Council Member Coleman arrived.

Mr. Knauf stated that we visited this about a year ago so we could try traffic calming and it did not do how we expected it to do. Ms. Smith brought it back to commission in June and we deferred it one month so Ms. Smith could get a petition from the neighborhood.

Ms. Smith stated that she does have the neighborhood petition and she wants to express that this is for the safety of the citizens and children of this community. She states that there are children who play near the intersection and it could be very dangerous.

Council Member Coleman stated that he walked with Ms. Smith to get the petition signed and said that most of the neighborhood is in favor of this.

Ms. Brenda Sanderson addressed the commission and stated that she went out to this location and there was some sight distance issues, she stated overall there was speeding issues. She said when she was out there, there were children playing near this intersection which really concerned her.

Council Member Burch made a motion to **approve**, seconded by Mr. Morin and **approved with no opposition.**

### APPEALS

1. Request to appeal denial of all way stop at Foster Ave and Peachtree St. Requested by Anna Page.

Anna Page stated that Metro Public Works, Metro Police and State Highway Patrol have been working on traffic calming on Foster Ave. for the last year and a half. She stated that vehicles still travel at high speeds and it is not safe.

Mr. Knauf reviewed the study on this intersection and said it does not meet warrants, however, there has been a fatality. He stated that he would let the commission make the recommendation.

Council Member Burch made a recommendation for approval, seconded by Mr. Feller Brown and approved with no opposition.

### NEW BUSINESS

1. **Proposal No. 2011M- 004AB-001-** Request to abandon a portion of John Hagar Rd and to retain the utilities and easements within the northern property line of 5181 John Hagar Rd., opposite of Larkwood Dr., requested by Council Member Jim Gotto. **Consent Agenda**

**Approved by a 7-0 hand vote**

2. **Proposal No. 2011M-007AB-001**- A request to abandon an unbuilt portion of Trousdale Drive and to retain the utilities and easements within the right-of-way abutting properties located at 300 Seven Springs Way and 5400 Hearthstone Lane, requested by Council Member Parker Toler. **Consent Agenda.**

**Approved by a 7-0 hand vote**

3. **Proposal No. 2011M- 005 AB-001**- A request to abandon a portion of Alley #934 (easements to be retained), from 39<sup>th</sup> Ave N to 40<sup>th</sup> Ave N, between properties located at 3905, 3907, 3909, 3911, 3913, 3914 Charlotte Ave., requested by Mohammad Rahimi, owner. **Consent Agenda**

**Approved by a 7-0 hand vote**

4. **Proposal No. 2011M-006AB-001**- Request to abandon Alley #908 (easements to be abandoned and relocated) from Murphy Ave to Alley # 903, between properties located at 2206, 2208, 2210, 2212, 2214 and 2216 Murphy Ave and at 2207 Leslie Ave. Requested by Littlejohn Engineering Associates Inc., applicant, HCA Realty and HCA Health Services of Tennessee, owners. **Consent Agenda**

**Approved by a 7-0 hand vote**

5. Traffic and Parking recommendations for The Gulch.

Mr. Word stated that he has come up with a plan to add parking meters to the area. He stated that they plan to add about 38 parking meters. He also wants to reduce the speed limit from 35mph to 30 mph. He stated that the merchants in the Gulch are for these changes.

Council Member Burch asked what was going on at the two locations that you need to add the meters.

Mr. Word responded that the area is growing and new merchants are going in the Gulch and we would like to help provide turnover parking.

Council Member Burch made a motion for **approval**, seconded by Mr. Brown and **approved with no opposition**.

6. **Resolution 11-07: Consent Agenda**

- Authorize Through Streets on:
  - Knobview Dr from Lumar Lane to Lincoya Dr
  - Park Circle from Old Hickory Blvd to Pitts Ave
  
- Authorize all way stops on:
  - 18th Ave N at Cass St
  - Knobview Dr. at Lumar Lane
  - Simmons St. at Tanksley Ave.
  
- Authorize stops on:
  - Knobview Dr. at Lumar Lane
  - Bermuda Dr. at Dellrose Dr.
  - Park Circle at Becker
  - Park Circle at Hamblen
  - Park Circle at Pitts Ave
  - Nashua Dr at Nashua Ln

- Authorize Valet Stand on:
  - North side of McGavock Pike at 12<sup>th</sup> Ave S from 4pm to 4a
- Authorize Truck Restriction on
  - 18<sup>th</sup> Av N from Clarksville Pk to 18<sup>th</sup> Av Ct
  - 24<sup>th</sup> Av N Clarksville Pk Rosa L Parks Blvd

REPORTS

1. Parking – *on consent agenda*
2. Engineering – *on consent agenda*

Commissioner Ward recommended **approval**, seconded by Mr. Morin and **approved with no opposition**.

Traffic and Parking Commission Resolution No. 11-07 authorized by Chapter 9 of the Charter of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee as amended

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Traffic and Parking Commission of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee as follows:

SECTION I: That Chapter 12 of said Metropolitan Code, said Chapter being entitled 'Vehicles and Traffic' is amended as follows:

2. Schedule II, 'Speed Limits'

DELETE:

11th Av Ind Bv from Charlotte Av to Division St, 35mph

ADD:

11th Ave S from Charlotte to Division, 30mph

5. Schedule V, 'Through Streets'

DELETE:

Knobview Dr from Hunters Hill to Lincoya Dr

ADD:

Knobview Dr from Lumar Lane to Lincoya Dr  
Park Circle from Old Hickory Blvd to Pitts Ave

6. Schedule VI, 'Stop and Yield Intersections'

DELETE:

Yield on Bermuda Dr at Dellrose Dr  
All Way Stop on Knobview Dr at Lincoya Dr

ADD:

all way stop on 18th Ave N at Cass St  
Stop on Barclay Square Ct at Barclay Square Dr.  
stop on Bermuda Dr. at Dellrose Dr.

All Way Stop on Knobview Dr. at Lumar Lane  
Stop on Nashua Dr. at Nashua Ln  
stop on Park Circle at Becker  
stop on Park Circle at Hamblen  
stop on Park Circle at Pitts Ave  
All way stop on Simmons St at Tanksley Ave

7. Schedule VII, 'Parking Restrictions'

Section C: Curb Parking

ADD:

McGavock Pk, north side from 1126 McGavock Pk to 12 Ave S, valet stand 4pm-4am

8. Schedule VIII, 'Parking Meters'

Section S: .25/15 mins, 1.00/Hour, Limit 2 Hours

ADD:

11th Ave S, both sides from Laurel to 12th  
12 Ave S, both sides from Laurel to Pine  
12th Ave S, east side from Pine St to 11th Ave  
Pine St, south side from 12th Ave S to Dead End  
Pine St., both sides from 11th Ave to Dead End

9. Schedule IX, 'Limitations on Size of Vehicles'

Section D: Prohibit Vehicles in excess of 16000 pounds

ADD:

18th Av N from Clarksville Pk to 18th Av Ct  
• 24th Ave N from Clarksville Pk to Rosa L Parks Blvd

10. Schedule X, 'Loading Zones'

Section A: Commercial

DELETE:

McGavock, north side (12th Ave S),, install taxi stand

SECTION II. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be published in a daily newspaper in Metropolitan Nashville/Davidson County, Tennessee and that a certified copy be filed with the Chief of Police of the Metropolitan Police Department, and that a certified copy be filed with the Metropolitan clerk, and that said Resolution take effect five (5) days thereafter.

APPROVED: August 8, 2011

EFFECTIVE: August 13, 2011

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The above mentioned Resolution items were previously approved under the Consent Agenda.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Cpt. Brian Johnson moved to *adjourn*, seconded by Mr. Morin and ***approved by voice vote with no opposition***. The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Approved on this the 8th day of August, 2011.

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Director  
Department of Public Works

  
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Chairperson  
Traffic and Parking Commission