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**METROPOLITAN TRAFFIC & PARKING COMMISSION**  
**Howard Office Building—Sonny West Conference Room**

**June 9, 2025**

Note: The monthly meetings of the Traffic and Parking Commission are documented via video and are available through Metro ITS Department (<http://www.nashville.gov/Information-Technology-Services.aspx>) and Metro Nashville's YouTube Channel (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1K5mz2w3dIA>)

The regular monthly meeting of Howard Office Building Sonny West Conference Room. The following were present unless noted otherwise:

**ATTENDEES**

**COMMISSIONERS**

Brandon Mason (Chair) (absent), Robert Gibbs (Vice Chair), Council Member Quin Evans-Segall, Santos Gonzales (absent), Neil Kornutick, Jama Mohamed, Dr. Lin Ming, Lisa Haller, Lt John Melia (MNPd)

**STAFF**

Hal Balthrop, Erica Haber, Phylinda Ramsey, Andrew Smith, Ricky Rooker, Emanuel Matyas, Casey Hopkins, Korby Bowden, Darlene Thompson, Brandon Boatwain Laz Parking General Manager.

**OTHERS**

Council Member Kupin, Jim Wallerstein, Robert Kelly, Todd Roman, and Misty Keenan.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chairman Robert Gibbs called the meeting of June 9, 2025, to order at 2:39 p.m. Vice Chairman Robert Gibbs announced the appeals process, Metropolitan Code of Laws 2.68.030.

*"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."*

*"Per the Tennessee Open Meetings Act, Public Chapter No. 300, members of the public are invited to provide comment on matters germane to the items on the agenda."*

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

- Council Member Evans-Segall moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Haller seconded the motion. The agenda was approved with no objections.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

3.1 May 12, 2025, Meeting Minutes.

- Commissioner Haller made a motion to approve; Council Member Evans-Segall seconded the motion. The minutes were approved with no objections.

**4A. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- Jim Wallerstein with the Icon in the Gulch spoke in favor of the proposed loading zone restrictions on Magazine Street.
- Robert Kelly spoke to the commission regarding the tragic death of Dot Dobbins. He is requesting additional enforcement and safety improvements to pedestrian infrastructure.
- Todd Roman would like to request that the removal of the Church Street Loading zoning be pulled from the consent agenda and deferred.
- Misty Keenan spoke about the need for a loading zone from 6AM to 9AM at Ashwood on 12<sup>th</sup> Ave.





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- Council Member Jacob Kupin CD 19: Spoke in favor of the loading zone restriction on Magazine Street, also supportive of the deferral of loading zone on Church St. Additionally, CM Kupin came to speak about the tragic loss of a dear friend and community member Dot Dobbins.

#### **5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

5.1 CD 21: Authorization for a new Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon at 2207 Clarksville Pike, requested by NDOT.

5.2 CD 19: Authorization for new multiway stop control for Hume St and 4<sup>th</sup> Ave N, requested by NDOT.

5.3 CD 19: Authorization to remove existing loading zone on the south side of Broadway on both sides from Lyle Ave to West End Ave, requested by NDOT.

5.4 CD 19: Authorization to remove existing Loading Zone on south side of Church St west of McMillan St and replacement with new No Parking or Standing Anytime from 15<sup>th</sup> Ave N to 16<sup>th</sup> Ave N, requested by NDOT.

5.5 CD 19: Authorization for revised times for existing loading zone/pay parking on both sides of Magazine Street north of Division St – Loading Zone 7AM TO 2PM/7 days and Pay Parking All Other Times, requested by NDOT.

- Items 5.3 and 5.4 were removed from the consent agenda. Council Member Evans-Segall moved to approve the modified consent agenda. Commissioner Kornutick seconded the modified consent agenda. The modified consent agenda was approved with no objections.

#### **6. REGULAR AGENDA**

5.3 CD 19: Authorization to remove existing loading zone on the south side of Broadway on both sides from Lyle Ave to West End Ave, requested by NDOT.

- CM Haller supports the recommendation and would like to see a beacon light here. She would also like improvements all the way to 21<sup>st</sup>. Council Member Evans-Segall reiterated the need for safety improvements to make this area safer. Commissioner Haller confirmed that the Trolley stop will be removed, she would also like enforcement of other Entertainment Vehicles as they often stop here. Andrew Smith with NDOT spoke to the commission and asked for the opportunity to use the lidar trailer to collect the data. Council Member Evans-Segall moved to approve and would like to see the LIDAR data back in 5 months. Commissioner Haller seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objection.

5.4 CD 19: Authorization to remove existing Loading Zone on south side of Church St west of McMillan St and replacement with new No Parking or Standing Anytime from 15<sup>th</sup> Ave N to 16<sup>th</sup> Ave N, requested by NDOT.

- Council Member Evans Segall move to defer one month. Lt Melia seconded the deferral. The deferral was approved with no objections.

6.1 NDOT report on special event parking fee waiver.

- Emanuel Matys provided background to the request. Commissioner Haller asked for clarification surrounding the amount of revenue that the city is missing out on. Commissioner Kornutick sought clarification surrounding other events that recently had bagged meters. Council Member Evans-Segall moved to approve the motion. Lt Melia seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.

6.2 CD 19: Authorization for revised times for existing loading zone/pay parking on both sides of Magazine St north of Division St - loading 7AM TO 2PM /7days and Pay Parking All Other Times, requested by NDOT.

- Duplicate request, this was addressed in the consent agenda.

6.3 CD: Consideration of new Loading Zone on the south side of Houston St at 508 Houston St, not exceeding 50ft in length. Effective 5AM – 4PM / 7 Days, requested by Guardians of Nashville LLC.

- Applicant would like a two-month deferral. Commissioner Kornutick moved for a two-meeting deferral and Lt Melia seconded the deferral. The item was deferred for two months with no objections.

6.4 CD 17: Consideration of a new Loading Zone on the east side of 12<sup>th</sup> Ave S at 2212 12<sup>th</sup> Ave S, not to exceed 80ft in length, effective 6PM to 9AM/ 7 days, requested by 2214 12 South Property LLC.

- Emi spoke to the request for this loading zone. CM Evans-Segall asked questions surrounding the request. It was clarified that it is NDOT's expectation that businesses would unload in the back in the alley. Commissioner Kornutick was under the impression that the SP called for deliveries to be accepted in the back ally. Discussions were had surrounding an overhaul of the area. Community meetings are currently happening. Council Member Evans-Segall mentioned that Emi should include the 12<sup>TH</sup> South Neighborhood Association and the Belmont/Hillsboro Neighborhood Association, they are very interested in this very topic. Commissioner Haller would like to know how loading was laid out in the SP. Misty Keenan Property Manager provided her thoughts on the issue. Council Member Evans-Segall would support a one-month deferral. She would like images and measurements of the ally. Commissioner Gibbs asked about crosswalks in the area. Council Member Evans-Segall moved to defer one month so we can check out the ally and SP. Lt Melia seconded the motion. The deferral was approved with no objections.





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6.5 CD 17: Consideration of a new valet lane if 9<sup>th</sup> Ave (near Division) Valet for 3 spaces, Thursday, Friday, Saturday 6PM to 11PM, requested by Metropolis.

- Emanuel Maytas with NDOT gave an overview of the valet request and confirmed that NDOT wasn't in support of this request. Commissioner Kornutick would like to know where we are with digitizing the curb. He would like a GIS layer of these. Commissioner Haller made a motion to support NDOT's recommendation. Lt Melia moved to approve. The motion was approved with no objection.

### **7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

### **8. NEW BUSINESS**

Council Member Evans-Segall spoke to the commission about how it does not feel like the department takes these requests seriously. Hal Balthrop with NDOT spoke to Council Member Evans-Segall's statement. Commissioner Gibbs asked about a dashboard, looking for public facing request status updates. Hal offered that the department could come before the commission in a special session to provide some training on how requests are prioritized. Hal reiterated that staff takes these requests very seriously. He mentioned HUB responses that inform the public. Council Member Evans-Segall questioned "why isn't safety our first priority". Commissioner Mohamed feels that the department and reality are experiencing a disconnect. Commissioner Gibbs would like an overview of how we make decisions and how long it will take to get it (10 worst sites and what we are doing or have done to resolve the issue). How we evaluate and define projects. It was determined that we would have a special-called joint session meeting with Vision Zero and BPAC in about three months. Commissioner Kornutick would like an estimated timeline for raised crosswalk design to install. It was suggested that Council Chambers could be an option for this meeting. Commissioner Haller asked about how notifications were received to the professionals when signals are malfunctioning. What is the process when the ped and traffic signals are out and how long you should have to wait. Commissioner Haller also asked about how we can ensure that proper pedestrian detours are in place to alert pedestrians when a crossing or portion of the sidewalk is closed. Council Member Evans-Segall would like us to come back next month with dates to be voted on.

### **9. OTHER ITEMS**

9.1 Commission meeting location change for July & August:

MNPD East Precinct Community Room

936 E Trinity Lane

### **10. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Lt Melia (MNPD) moved to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 4:01 PM.



Approved on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of July 2025.

**Traffic and Parking Commission Resolution No. 25-06**

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I \_\_\_\_\_ with the Nashville Department of Transportation and Multimodal Infrastructure do certify the above items on today's agenda amending Chapter 12 of the Metropolitan Code were approved by the Traffic and Parking Commission on July 14, 2025.

**TENNESSEE NOTARY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

State of Tennessee

County of Davidson

On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July 2025, before me personally appeared Andrew J. Smith, to me known to be the person (or persons) described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that such person (or persons) executed the same as such person (or person's) free act and deed.

Witness my hand, at the office, this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July 2025.

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Notary's Signature

Seal

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

**Traffic and Parking Commission Authority:**

Chapter 9 of the Metropolitan Charter, Sec. 11.904. - Function of commission as to traffic regulation.

For the purpose of making the roads, streets and other public ways safe for pedestrians, motorists and others, and for the purpose of facilitating the flow of traffic thereon, the commission is hereby authorized to adopt and publish traffic regulations, including the erection of proper signs necessarily and properly connected with or incident to the following:

(a)The location and time when parking shall be limited.(b)Places where parking shall be prohibited entirely or only during certain hours.(c)The establishment of stop sign controls for through streets or isolated intersections.(d)The establishment of traffic signal controls.(e)The direction in which traffic may use any street or portion of a street.(f)Restrictions on the size of vehicles using certain streets.(g)The establishment of speed zones upon metropolitan streets and roads based upon the findings of the commission. When such zones are properly signposted, the speed indicated on the signs shall be the legal speed limit.

Such traffic regulations adopted by the commission shall take effect five (5) days after they have been published in a daily newspaper of general circulation within the area of the metropolitan government and after a certified copy thereof has been filed with the metropolitan clerk and the chief of police. Such regulations, when so adopted, shall have the force and effect of an ordinance, and shall be enforced by the metropolitan police. The metropolitan council shall provide by ordinance for the punishment of violators of such traffic regulations and shall fix proper and adequate fines and penalties.