



METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY

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AND MULTIMODAL INFRASTRUCTURE**

MEMORANDUM

TO: Metropolitan Traffic and Parking Commission

FROM: J. Andrew Smith, Engineer 2
Nashville Department of Transportation

DATE: January 6, 2026

SUBJECT: January 12, 2026, Traffic and Parking Commission Meeting Staff Analysis

PURPOSE:

This analysis provides an overview of all items on the upcoming Metropolitan Traffic and Parking Commission agenda to ensure that commission members have the information necessary for discussion and action prior to the commission meeting.

Commissioners are encouraged to contact Nashville Department of Transportation (NDOT) staff prior to the meeting with any questions. The Commission's Metro Legal advisors are: Phylinda Ramsey (phylinda.ramsey@nashville.gov), Erica Haber (erica.haber@nashville.gov), and Ann Mikkelsen (ann.mikkelsen@nashville.gov).

Consent Agenda

5.1 CD 23: Authorization for a new traffic signal approval for Harding Pk & Brook Hollow Rd, requested by developer.
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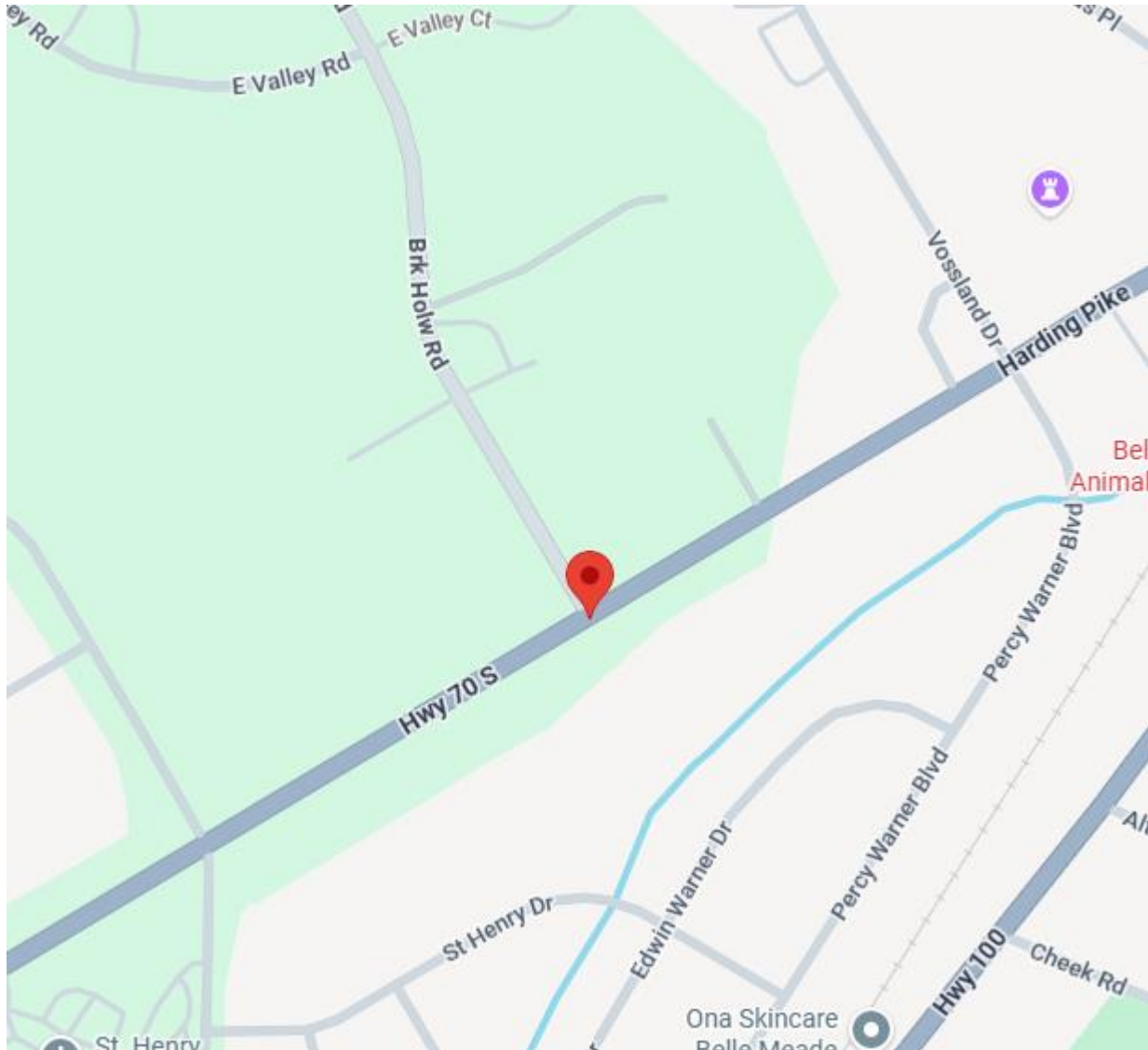
Commission Authority: Metropolitan Charter § 11.904(d):

“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:

(d) The establishment of traffic signal controls.”

Recommendation: Approve new traffic signal at Harding Pike and Brook Hollow Rd.

Analysis: A new Covenant School is proposed for the northeast corner of Harding Pk and Brook Hollow Rd. The new school will have approximately 400 students and is expected to be completed by 2027. KCI, on behalf of the developer, conducted a comprehensive multimodal traffic analysis to determine the traffic impacts associated with this proposed school development.



The signal warrant analysis shows that under existing traffic volumes, the Harding/Brook Hollow intersection meets MUTCD Warrant 1B (Interruption of Continuous Traffic) for 11 hours, Warrant 1C (Combination Warrant) for 11 hours, Warrant 2 (Four Hour Traffic Volume) for 11 hours, and Warrant 3 (Peak Hour) for 8 hours.

Traffic Signal Warrant Analysis—Existing Traffic Volumes

Hour	Traffic Volumes		Full Warrants Met?				
	Main Street Both Directions	Minor Street Highest Approach	1A	1B	1C	2	3
6:00-7:00	764	43	--	--	--	--	--
7:00-8:00	1544	168	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	--
8:00-9:00	1405	150	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
9:00-10:00	1110	116	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	--
10:00-11:00	1076	125	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	--
11:00-12:00 PM	1072	135	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
12:00-1:00	1167	133	--	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
1:00-2:00	1193	145	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
2:00-3:00	1329	184	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
3:00-4:00	1689	169	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
4:00-5:00	1700	210	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
5:00-6:00	1925	184	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Total Hours Met			7	11	11	11	8
Full Warrant Met?			No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Note: Warrants 1A, 1B, and 1C must be satisfied for at least 8 hours of a typical day. Warrant 2 must be met for at least 4 hours and Warrant 3 must be met for at least one hour of a typical day.							

NDOT concurs with the recommendation for a new traffic signal at Harding Pk and Brook Hollow Rd.

Commission Authority: Metropolitan Charter § 11.904(c):

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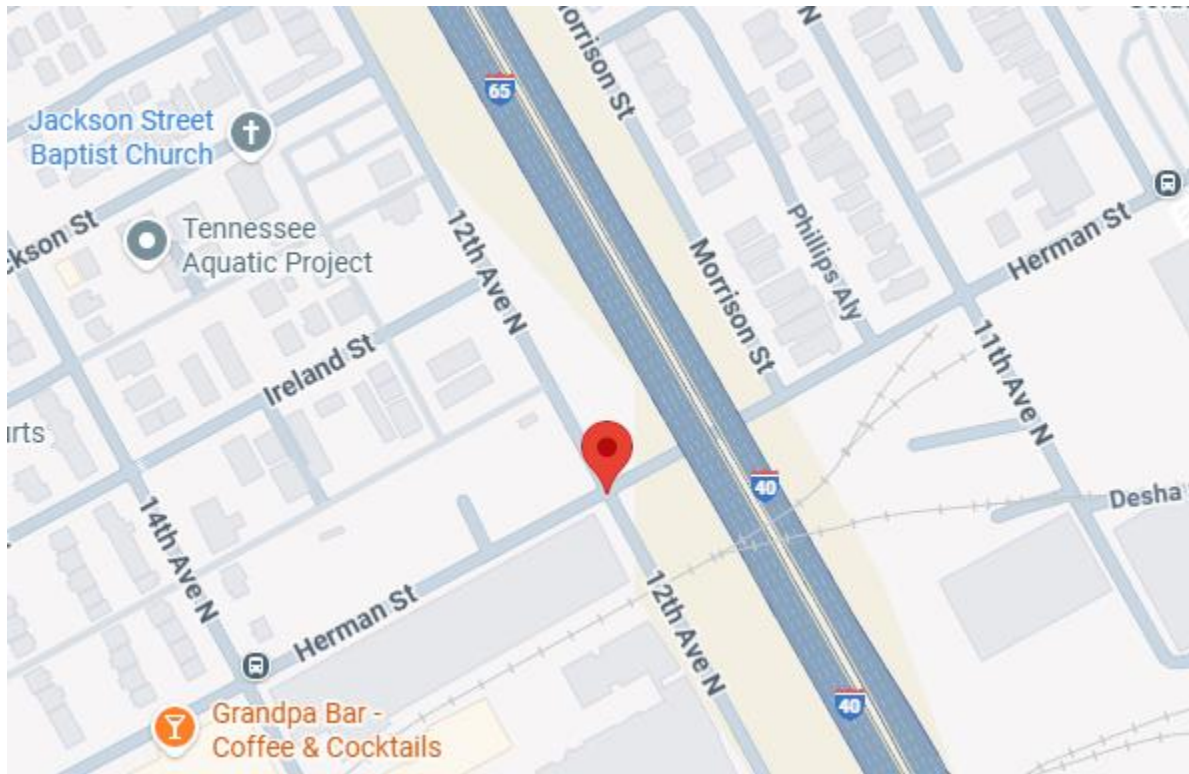
(c) The establishment of stop sign controls for through streets or isolated intersections.”

Recommendation: Approval of new multiway stop control for Herman St and 12th Ave N

Analysis: Following up on a Hub Nashville request for an intersection study of Herman St and 12th Ave N, NDOT performed an MUTCD warrant analysis of this 4-way intersection and determined that Warrant A is satisfied based on crash history for multiway stop control. Warrant A is satisfied when there are five or more reported crashes within a 12-month period or six or more reported crashes in a 36-month period that are of a type susceptible to correction by installation of all-way stop control. The intersection also satisfies Warrant E (Other Conditions) for the need to control left turn conflicts by a road user.

NDOT recommends approval of new multiway stop control for Herman St and 12th Ave N.





CRASH SUMMARY REPORT

Herman St and 12th Ave N

Created on December 10, 2025
Created by Andrew Smith
Requested by Andrew Smith
Data extents: December 4, 2022 to December 4, 2025



Applied Filters

Shape: Circle 125 ft Manner of First Collision = Angle



Total Crashes	11	Fatal Crashes	0
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Summary		Crash	
Total Crashes	11	100.00%	
+ 5 more	0	0%	

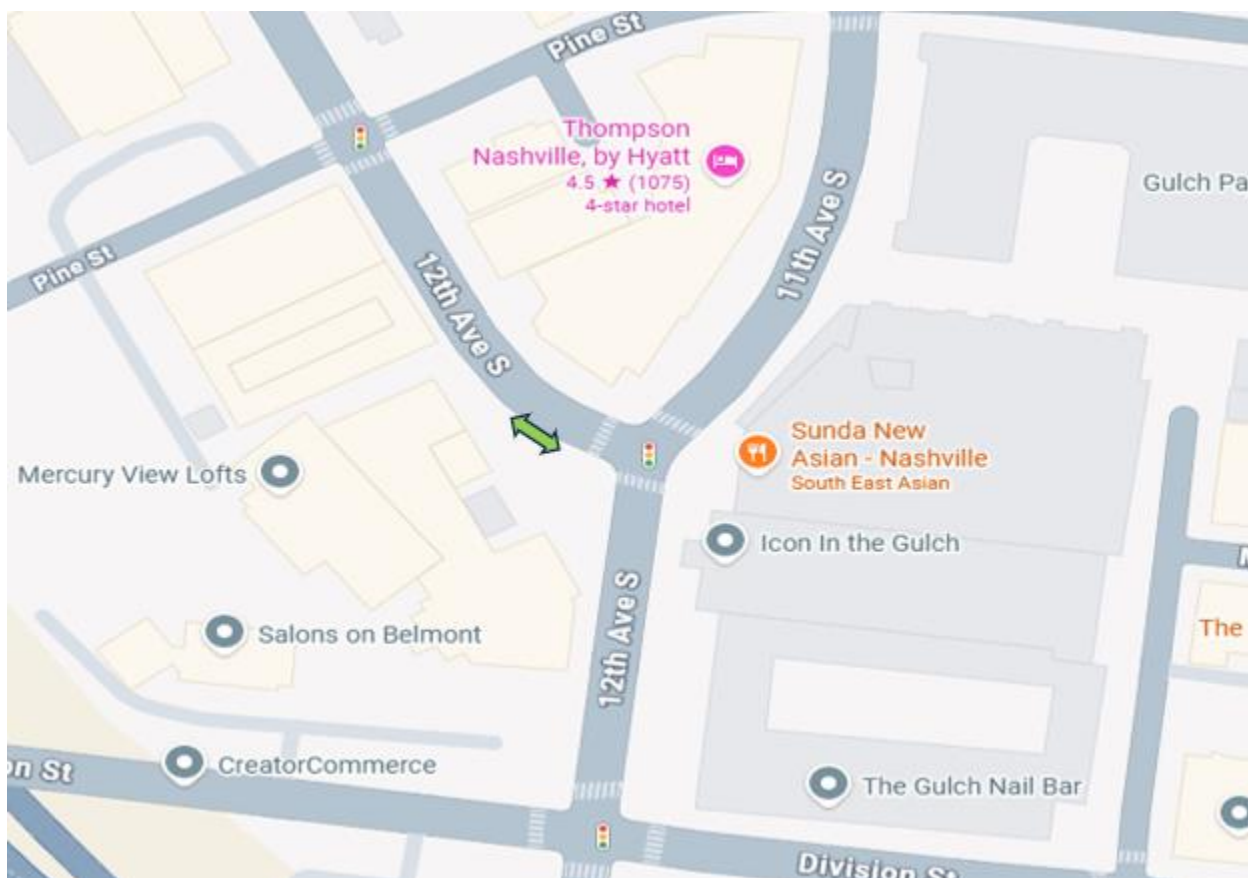
Commission Authority: Metropolitan Code of Laws § 12.41.040(C)(1):

“C. Cancellation. A valet parking permit may be canceled by the commission under the following circumstances:

1. The commission determines that parking spaces permitted for valet parking are no longer being used for the purpose of valet parking or are otherwise abandoned. Valet parking spaces are considered abandoned if they are not utilized for valet parking for a continuous period of thirty days;”

Recommendation: Cancel valet parking lane at 601 12th Ave S.

Analysis: The Sambuca restaurant at this location had an approved valet lane in the parking pull-off near the southwest corner of 12th Ave S and 11th Ave S in the Gulch. This restaurant is permanently closed. The valet permit has not been renewed and has been abandoned. NDOT requests cancelation of this valet lane at this time.



Regular Agenda

6.1 CD 19: A request to expand existing valet lane on the east side of 300 4th Ave N from 2 spaces to 4 spaces, requested by valet operator.

Commission Authority: Metropolitan Code of Laws § 12.41.030 and 12.41.090:

12.41.030 - Valet location permit required.

“In addition to the licensing requirements of Section 12.41.020 of this chapter, the department shall issue parking permits to valet parking operators to conduct their operations on public streets as a commercial enterprise or in furtherance of a commercial enterprise. A separate permit is required for each location where valet parking services are provided. Permits will be issued only for locations where valet parking would not be detrimental to the public safety, health and welfare of the inhabitants of Nashville and Davidson County and only after approval of the commission.”

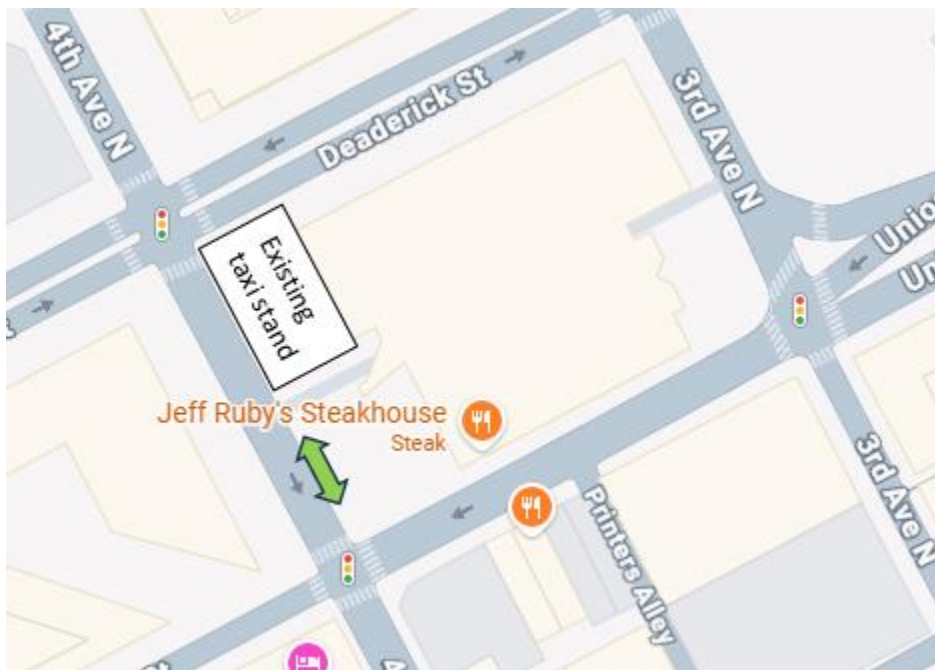
12.41.090 - Designation of space for service.

“A. Valet spaces shall be designated by the commission. The designation shall be by clearly marked signs indicating the time of valet parking and marked as a "Tow-Away zone."

B. Valet service shall be operated entirely within the confines of the spaces provided for valet use. There shall be no storage of vehicles in the area used for ingress and egress of passengers in the valet area. A vehicle will be considered stored if it remains in the valet area for more than ten minutes whether occupied or not. Valet service on public property shall not be provided in any location other than in the area designated.”

Recommendation: NDOT recommends disapproval of expansion of this valet lane due to insufficient curb space availability for legal parking.

Analysis: Jeff Ruby Steakhouse is located at 300 4th Ave N and has an existing valet parking lane on the east side of 4th Ave N, north of Union St. The effective hours for the valet lane are 4PM—12AM / 7 days, with pay parking during all other times. The existing valet lane can accommodate two vehicles. Expansion of the valet parking lane beyond two vehicles is limited by the presence of a fire hydrant to the south and a garage driveway to the north. The request to expand the valet operation to four spaces cannot be accommodated due to limited availability of curb space. A taxi stand is approved for the curb space north of the driveway adjacent to the valet lane.



Regular Agenda

8.1 Library Garage update.

This non-voting item is a presentation by NDOT's Jon Boghonian.

8.2 Music Row economy parking status update.
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This non-voting item is a presentation by NDOT's Emi Matyas.