



Metropolitan Traffic and Parking Commission

Howard Office Building—Sonny West Conference Room

Meeting Minutes

September 14, 2026

Note: The monthly meetings of the Traffic and Parking Commission are documented via video and are available on the [Metro Nashville Network YouTube Channel](#).

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

ATTENDEES

COMMISSIONERS

Brandon Mason (Chair), Robert Gibbs (Vice Chair), Council Member Sean Parker, Neil Kornutick, Jama Mohamed, Lisa Haller, Lauren Gaines, Tom Sturdivant, and Captain James Williams (MNPd).

STAFF

Ryan Lynch, Brad Freeze, Ann Mikkelson, Erica Haber, Ricky Rooker, Marty Sewell, Meshach Adams, Scott Kibby, Casey Hopkins, Emanuel Matyas, Korby Bowden, Darlene Thompson, and Brandon Boatswain.

OTHERS

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Brandon Mason called the meeting of September 14, 2026, to order at 2:30 p.m. Chairman Brandon Mason 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

Commissioner Haller moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Gaines seconded the motion. The agenda was approved with no objections.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1 August 10, 2026, Meeting Minutes.

- Captain Williams moved to approve. Commissioner Haller seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.

4A. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NDOT Director Ryan Lynch – Came to say hello. He gave a brief introduction to the commission and overview of his experience. He also expressed his excitement to work with the team in advancing and growing the city.

Jeremy Barlow – 12 South We have been behind the scenes with NDOT he came to represent the 12S Merchant Association. He fully trusts the process going forward and has only one ask. He would like to see the Residential Permit Parking repealed on an interim basis while an overall solution is met. He would like to level the playing field for all of 12 South for the next 6 to 12 months. Business is down 40% and several businesses have already or are on the brink of closing.

Tom Campion – 12 South President of Belmont Hillsboro Neighbors came to speak about the Residential Parking situation. He is working with NDOT to find a solution however the neighborhood is over parked and overrun by mostly tourists and they are not very mindful of where they park. Staff and neighbors have walked the streets and created some parking solutions that would use on street markings to increase visibility/safety and reduce the number of vehicles on the street. Hopefully this could be implemented to help return the streets to the residents to some degree.

Zack Lift – NROR – Came to speak against the No Right On Red. He owns two properties at 10th Ave South and Demonbreun and feels that his folks are pinned in. He mentioned that NDOT had not engaged them and that he has a long-term complaint with NDOT that they have attempted to communicate with NDOT about and has had no success. He would like the bill deferred and would like engagement. Not sure what a board bill is better, he would like to see intersections evaluated. He has spoken to his CM Kupin. He would like the needs of the business to be considered.

5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

5.1 CD 21: Approval of mandatory referral 2026M-008AB-001, abandoning a portion of 30th Ave N from Delaware Ave to Alley #945, requested by Defatta Custom Homes.

5.2 CD 33: Approval of mandatory referral 2026M-010AB-001, abandoning approximately 425 ft of isolated right-of-way between parcel 18200023600 and parcel 18200023300, requested by Councilmember Lee.

5.3 CD 14: Approval of mandatory referral 2026M-009AB-001, abandoning a portion of Dodson Chapel Ct from Dodson Chapel Rd to a dead end, requested by Vulcan Materials Company.

5.4 CD 28: Authorization for new multiway stop control for Hickory Hollow Pkwy & Mt View Rd, requested by NDOT.

5.5 CD 33: Authorization for new multiway stop control for Cane Ridge Rd and Old Hickory Blvd, requested by Councilmember Styles.

5.6 CD 6 and 7: Authorization to lower posted speed limit on Preston Dr from 35 mph to 30 mph between Porter Rd and Rosebank Ave and from 35 mph to 25 mph between Rosebank Ave and Eastland Ave, requested by NDOT.

- Commissioner Gaines would like items 5.4 and 5.5 moved to the regular agenda. Commissioner Gibbs moved to approve the modified consent agenda. Commissioner Haller seconded the motion. The modified consent agenda was approved with no objections.

6. REGULAR AGENDA

5.4 CD 28: Authorization for new multiway stop control for Hickory Hollow Pkwy & Mt View Rd, requested by NDOT.

- Commissioner Gaines asked if these projects conflicted with the TDOT I24 Choice Lane Projects. Brad Freeze with NDOT confirmed that these multiway stop locations were not in conflict with the current scope of the project. It was confirmed that NDOT has authority to install multiway stops on state routes within the municipality. Council Member Parker moved to approve. Commissioner Gibbs seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.

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6.1 CD 17: Authorization to remove Chestnut Ave/Wharf Ave parking spaces, requested by NDOT.

- Scott Kibby with NDOT confirmed that NDOT is requesting to remove restricted parking on the north side of Chestnut Street, Wharf Ave between the alley west of 1st Ave South and Perkins Street. The department is proposing this so they can implement a buffered bikeway project from Lafayette all the way to 8th Ave. Discussions were had surrounding the request and it was confirmed that on-street parking was available on the surrounding residential roads. Council Member Parker moved to approve. Commissioner Haller seconded the motion. The motion was approved with no objections.

6.2 Review and recommendation for No Right Turn on Red ordinance:

- Brad Freeze with NDOT spoke to the ordinances before the commission. He mentioned that NDOT was in support of the substitute No Right Turn on Red ordinance. Extensive discussions were had surrounding the major differences, how the locations were selected, impact of the TDZ Legislation, pedestrian safety impacts, the origin of the ordinance, the impacts on traffic during special events, crash history, the Connect Downtown Study and the timeline for evaluation and deployment. Staff provided clarification of the questions asked. Some procedural questions were asked surrounding support of the substitute and an ordinance that was late filed and what impact it would have on the commission. Legal provided the required threshold of votes and clarification surrounding the needed motions.

6.2.1 Original Ordinance NO. BL2026-1497

- Commissioner Gibbs moved to approve. Council Member Parker seconded the motion to approve staff's recommendation to disapprove the original bill number BL2026-1497. The motion was approved with Commissioner Kornutick objecting.

6.2.2 Substitute Ordinance NO. BL2026-1497

- Council Member Parker moved that we adopt staff's recommendation to approve the substitute ordinance number BL2026-. Commissioner Kornutick seconded the motion. The motion was approved with Commissioner Gibbs, Commissioner Gaines, and Commissioner Haller objecting.

6.3 NDOT Parking presentation for FY2026.

- Emanuel Maytas and Brandon Boatwain with NDOT provided a very detailed overview of all things parking. They provided an overview of staff, meter space counts, transactions, and additional parking benefits that were rolled out across the city. They also presented key achievements, increased space counts and the increased number of tickets/warnings issued for violations and year-over-year growth. Commissioner Kornutick inquired about the process for under utilized zones and how we can work to get a bit more curb utilization in places we are not currently seeing it. Council Member Parker would like to see the details on the ticket so that folks can see the court fee vs the violation fee for transparency. Discussions were had surrounding identifying areas that have frequent offenders, HUB reporting, the use of parking apps, and the processing for having a vehicle towed, mixed-use parking, the use of pay stations vs QR codes. Commissioner Haller asked about how many valet

spaces/utilization and how many Residential Paid Parking spaces/permits the department has issued? Discussions were had surrounding enforcement and additional tools to help with safety across the city. The LAZ contract was requested and shared with the commission.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7.1 12 South Parking status update

- Meshack Adams and Marty Sewell with NDOT provided a presentation and update on 12 South Parking. They briefly went over the scope of the study and the goal of the implementation framework of the study. The schedule and commission touchpoints were shared. It is estimated that NDOT will have a final road map by the spring of 2027. The presentation was requested and shared with the commission. Discussions were had surrounding TDM options. Brad Freeze with NDOT shared that we could implement pieces of this prior to Spring of 2027. Chair Mason would like to see action prior to the end of the study; he would like to work to help expedite solutions. Staff confirmed that once the consultant identified actions, they would be willing to bring items to the commission for implementation, especially if it is identified as a safety concern. Commissioner Gibbs would like to ensure that continued communication is happening with the community. It was confirmed a meeting had already been scheduled. It was asked and identified that the study would gather data surrounding the existing curb utilization rate of the existing permit parking spaces.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Discussion on October Commission meeting date.

- Brad Freeze with NDOT clarified that this issue has been resolved and we can keep the original date for the meeting.

9. OTHER ITEMS

Commissioner Gibbs would like to know if Waymo traffic incidents are being monitored/tracked and could the information be shared with the commission monthly.

- Brad Freeze with NDOT shared that we are tracking incidents as they are reported and have scheduled meetings with Waymo. He confirmed that the report could be shared.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Captain Williams (MNPd) moved to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 4:36 p.m.

Approved on the 12th day of October 2026.

Traffic and Parking Commission Resolution No. 26-09

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- 6.2 Review and recommendation for No Right Turn on Red ordinance:
- 6.2.2 Recommend Substitute Ordinance.

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 October 12, 2026.

TENNESSEE NOTARY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

State of Tennessee

County of Davidson

On this 12th day of October 2026, before me Andrew J. Smith personally appeared, 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 on the 12th day of October 2026.

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 our 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.