

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, HEALTH AND TRAFFIC

January 7, 2013

7:00 PM

Chairman Katsiantonis called the meeting to order.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: Aldermen Katsiantonis, Osborne, Long, Roy, Gamache

Messrs.: Alderman Shea, J. Hoben

Chairman Katsiantonis addressed item 3 of the agenda.

3. The Traffic Division has submitted an agenda which needs to be addressed:

**RESCIND 10 HOUR METERS 8AM-8PM – EMERGENCY
ORDINANCE:**

On Bedford Street, east side, from a point 54 feet north of Pleasant Street to a point 125 feet north (Ord. 9364)

On Bedford Street, east side, from a point 160 feet north of Pleasant Street to a point 557 feet north (Ord. 9366)

Alderman Long

**RESCIND NO PARKING ANYTIME – EMERGENCY
ORDINANCE:**

On Bedford Street, east side, from a point 771 feet north of Pleasant Street to a point 855 feet north (Ord. 9369)

On Bedford Street, east side, from a point 983 feet north of Pleasant Street to a point 1096 feet north (Ord. 9371)

Alderman Long

**10 HOUR METERS – 8AM - 8PM – MONDAY – FRIDAY –
EMERGENCY ORDINANCE:**

On Bedford Street, east side, from a point 54 feet north of Pleasant Street to a point 72 feet north

On Bedford Street, east side, from a point 164 feet north of Pleasant Street to a point 384 feet north

On Bedford Street, east side, from a point 548 feet north of Pleasant Street to a point 475 feet north
Alderman Long

NO PARKING ANYTIME – EMERGENCY ORDINANCE:

On Bedford Street, east side, from a point 126 feet north of Pleasant Street to a point 38 feet north

On Bedford Street, east side, from a point 1023 feet north of Pleasant Street to a point 70 feet north
Alderman Long

HANDICAP PARKING:

On Hayward Street, north side, from a point 20 feet west of Foster Ave to a point 26 feet west
Alderman Shea

NO PARKING ANYTIME:

On Trenton Street, south side, from Chestnut Street to a point 95 feet west

Alderman Craig

On Putnam Street, north side, from Cumberland Street to a point 80 feet east

Alderman Gamache

On Merrimack Street, north side, from a point 85 feet east of Maple Street to a point 60 feet east

Alderman Roy

RESCIND NO PARKING ANYTIME:

On Knowlton Street, east side, from Hayward Street to a point 150 feet south

Alderman Shea

RESCIND ONE HOUR PARKING – 11:00 AM – 10:00 PM:

On West Street, west side, from a point 20 feet south of Conant Street to a point 66 feet south (Ord. 10010)

Alderman Gamache

On Conant Street, south side, from a point 20 feet west of West Street to a point 40 feet west (Ord. 10009)

Alderman Gamache

NO PARKING LOADING ZONE:

On West Street, west side, from a point 20 feet south of Conant Street to a point 26 feet south

Alderman Gamache

On Conant Street, south side, from a point 20 feet west of West Street to a point 20 feet west
Alderman Gamache

PARK 30 MINUTES – 11:00 AM – 10 PM:

On West Street, west side, from a point 46 feet south of Conant Street to a point 40 feet south
Alderman Gamache

On Conant Street, south side, from a point 40 feet west of West Street to a point 20 feet west
Alderman Gamache

RESCIND TWO HOUR PARKING:

On West North Street, north side, from Elm Street to River Road (Ord. 6323)
Alderman Long

RESCIND NO PARKING LOADING ZONE 8 AM – 5 PM – MONDAY – FRIDAY:

On Elm Street, west side, from Depot Street to a point 70 feet north (Ord. 8159)
Alderman Long

TWO HOUR PARKING – 8 AM – 10 PM – MONDAY – SATURDAY:

On Elm Street, west side, from a point 20 feet north of Depot Street to a point 50 feet north.
Alderman Long

Alderman Roy asked the handicapped parking on Hayward Street, it is in a residential area? I know we have a moratorium on it. I will agree with everything else on the traffic agenda but I am going to vote against the handicapped parking.

Alderman Osborne asked can Alderman Shea explain this?

Alderman Shea stated the lady who is disabled call me and said that she would like to have that in front of where she resides. I went by there and it is a very cramped area. She said that she does have a problem with her disability. I know that there is some sort of a restriction on approving this but I told her I would

submit it. When I spoke to her I said I have never submitted this for any of my constituents but I told her if the committee approves it, fine. She said take a chance and see whether or not they will approve it. That is why I submitted it.

Alderman Osborne stated I missed that one. I know there is a moratorium on them; you are right. It is a tough situation. There are a lot of handicapped people out there and a lot of handicapped plates and it is hard to approve for one and not another.

Alderman Roy responded right and how do we start judging who deserves it and who doesn't?

Alderman Long stated the last two referring Depot Street I would like to pull off. We are not ready. I spoke to the person who owns the building in front of this and this isn't a scenario we can have. We are looking to be consistent going Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. and this is 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday. I would like to remove the last two items and I would also be opposed to the handicapped parking.

Alderman Roy moved to approve Item 3, except for the handicapped parking on Hayward Street and the last two items dealing with Depot Street. Alderman Long duly seconded the motion. Alderman Katsiantonis called for a vote. There being none opposed, the motion carried.

Chairman Katsiantonis addressed item 4 of the agenda.

4. Communication from Denise Boutilier, Parking Manager, requesting a change in enforcement times of parking meters on various streets.

On motion of Alderman Osborne, duly seconded by Alderman Long, it was voted to approve this request.

Alderman Long stated this is just staying consistent with eventually having all of the meters the same price at the same time so there is no confusion throughout the City.

Chairman Katsiantonis addressed item 5 of the agenda.

5. Communication from Denise Boutilier, Parking Manager, requesting that City Ordinance section 70.55 (D) (2) (c) Residential Parking Permit Zone #2 be amended by not allowing residents to park on Elm Street.

On motion of Alderman Osborne, duly seconded by Alderman Long, it was voted to approve this request.

TABLED ITEMS

6. Communication from Stephanie Lewry, Executive Director of Intown Manchester, regarding bicycles and skateboards on sidewalks.
(Note: Retabled 10/1/2012; a proposed ordinance for skateboards and similar devices in the CBSD is attached; originally tabled 8/6/2012.)

This item remained on the table.

7. Discussion regarding restrictions, policies and penalties for aggressive animals and animal attacks.
*(Note: Retabled 10/1/2012; **Ordinances of surrounding areas and recommendations are attached.** Originally tabled 8/6/2012.)*

This item remained on the table.

8. Communication from Alderman Arnold requesting reconsideration of the upgrade of the intersection at Dunbarton Road and Front Street to a full traffic signal.
(Note: Tabled 10/1/2012)

This item remained on the table.

9. Communication from Representative Will Infantine requesting a three-way stop at the intersection of Megan Drive and Aaron Drive.
(Note: Tabled 11/8/2012)

*On motion of **Alderman Osborne**, duly seconded by **Alderman Long**, it was voted to remove this item from the table.*

Alderman Osborne called Mr. Hoben forward. Do you have any knowledge of this? Did you get a report on this particular situation?

Mr. Jim Hoben, Deputy Traffic Director, stated yes, I did a study and I sent it to Alderman Corriveau back in late October or early November.

Alderman Osborne asked what is your outlook on it?

Mr. Hoben answered it didn't meet the warrants. I have a copy here.

Alderman Osborne stated I just wanted to hear it from you. It would be nice if we had somebody here, or the alderman or whatever, but anyway I guess we can put it back on the table.

Alderman Roy stated we can receive and file and they can bring it back any time.

***Alderman Long** moved to receive and file. **Alderman Roy** duly seconded the motion. Chairman Katsiantonis called for a vote. There being none, the motion carried.*

10. Discussion regarding the discontinuances and closures of city streets.
(Note: Tabled 12/03/2012; Public Works Director to provide a plan for traffic and street closure on Hayward Street. Referred by the board on 11/20/2012; Communication and a neighborhood petition has been submitted by Phil LeBlanc.)

This item remained on the table.

*There being no further business, on motion of **Alderman Roy**, duly seconded by **Alderman Long**, it was voted to adjourn.*

A True Record. Attest.



Clerk of Committee