

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, HEALTH & TRAFFIC

May 2, 2023 at 6:00 PM

Chairman Barry called the meeting to order.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: Aldermen Barry, Long, Stewart, George-Kelly, Burkush

Messrs.: C. Dobbins

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

ONE-WAY

On Central Street, westbound, from Chestnut Street to Elm Street

Alderman Long

PARKING REGULATIONS, METERS - 2 HOURS, 8AM-8PM, MONDAY-FRIDAY

On Pine Street, west side, from Amherst Street to Concord Street

Alderman Long

RESCIND CROSSWALK

On Pine Street, mid-block across from the Library (ORD 2211)

Alderman Long

RESCIND NO PARKING ANYTIME

On Pine Street, west side, from Amherst Street to a point 180 feet northerly (ORD9463)

Alderman Long

RESCIND PARKING REGULATIONS, METERS - 2 HOURS, 8AM-8PM, MONDAY-FRIDAY

On Pine Street, west side, from a point 180 feet north of Amherst Street to a point 85 feet northerly (ORD 9462)

Alderman Long

*On motion of **Alderman Long**, duly seconded by **Alderman Stewart**, it was voted to approve.*

2. Communication from Kevin Pombriant, Avatar Design & Construction, requesting permission to install fencing, jersey barriers, and temporarily limit Central Street to one-way traffic posted at 5 MPH due to construction at 21-31 Central Street.

***Alderman Long** moved to discuss. **Alderman Stewart** duly seconded the motion.*

Alderman Long stated after talking to Kristen, normally what happens is the Planning Board gives them approval and then they have to go to departments for liability because they're going to be putting stuff up. We normally don't approve them putting up fences. So there are departments they have to go to in order to get all the required permits and what have you.

Caleb Dobbins, Highway Chief Engineer, stated Alderman that is correct. We would need to give out permits and work with them as to the condition that they will eventually be leaving the road when they are completed with the work that they are doing.

Alderman Long asked have you reviewed what they are asking us.

Mr. Dobbins stated we have sent comments back to them relative to the original submittal because it wasn't acceptable. We are willing to work with them if you want to give them a conditional approval for that one-way as a condition of the encumbrance. Any other issues that we have to deal with we can work out the details with the developer.

*On motion of **Alderman Long**, duly seconded by **Alderman George-Kelly**, it was voted to approve the request conditionally upon the approval of the Department of Public Works.*

3. Communication from Ryan Cashin, Fire Chief, requesting an updated Certificate of Authority reflecting him as the authorized signer of the current Hazardous Materials Incident Response agreement with the State of New Hampshire.

*On motion of **Alderman Burkush**, duly seconded by **Alderman George-Kelly**, it was voted to approve.*

4. Special events update from the Police Department, if available.

There was none.

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5. Communication from Christopher Goodnow, Parking Manager, regarding an inquiry from Brad Pernaw in reference to parking in front of the Common Man Roadside restaurant at 451 Commercial Street.

(Note: Items #1 and #3 of the request were received and filed at the 9/6/2022 committee meeting. Item #2 regarding the installation of a park & pay kiosk is the only item on the table.)

This item remained on the table.

6. RESCIND CROSSWALK

On Pine Street, mid-block across from the Library (ORD 2211)

Alderman Fajardo

(Note: This was pulled off the Traffic Agenda on 3/7/23.)

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

Alderman Long stated after talking to Alderman Fajardo, they are going to figure out the crosswalk and bring it back to us so we don't need this sitting on the table.

*On motion of **Alderman Long**, duly seconded by **Alderman George-Kelly** it was voted to receive and file.*

7. Presentation of a proposed Lead Exposure Prevention Commission.
(Note: Item was tabled on 4/4/23; Revised ordinance attached.)

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

Chairman Barry stated Matt, if you could, there is a revised ordinance attached.

Matthew Normand, City Clerk, stated I understand that there is a request to amend section 32.153 B, that first sentence which authorizes the Board of Mayor and Aldermen to appoint commissions of the Lead Exposure Prevention Commission. That is inconsistent with the charter, which gives that authority to the Mayor. So the request from Alderman Fajardo as I understand it is to strike that first sentence in 32.153 B, and replace it with the following language: "All commissioners shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to the approval of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen."

Chairman Barry asked is this also going to go to Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Normand replied it will. The Board will accept this report and then it goes on to the regular process for an ordinance.

*On motion of **Alderman Long**, duly seconded by **Alderman George-Kelly** it was voted to approve as amended.*

Alderman Stewart stated I am curious if there is any staff here that can provide an update. I know we talked at the meeting last month with regard to a request from a resident looking at snow emergency ticketing after that 6AM time had expired for cars that were obviously buried. I didn't see anything on the agenda. I wanted to know if staff was here prepared to speak to that tonight.

Alderman Long stated my understanding is that DPW, Police, and Solicitor are working on some language now that they will bring to us at the June meeting.

*There being no further business, on motion of **Alderman Burkush**, duly seconded by **Alderman George-Kelly**, it was voted to adjourn.*

A True Record. Attest.



Clerk of Committee