

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, HEALTH & TRAFFIC

September 7, 2021 at 4:30 PM

Chairman Barry called the meeting to order.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: Aldermen Barry, Gamache, Stewart, Long, Terrio

Messrs.: D. Boutilier

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

NO PARKING ANYTIME

On Faltin Drive, south side, from Faltin Drive to a point 40 feet west

Alderman Shaw

On Valley Street, north side, from Taylor Street to a point 105 feet west

On Taylor Street, west side from Valley Street to a point 75 feet north

Alderman Sapienza/ Alderman Terrio

RESIDENT PARKING ONLY DURING SCHOOL HOURS

On Maple Street, east side, from a point 30 feet south of Bridge Street to a point 90 feet south

Alderman Roy

RESCIND 2 HOUR PARKING

On Maple Street, east side, from a point 76 feet south of Bridge Street to a point 44 feet south (ORD 10035)

Alderman Roy

RESCIND RESIDENT PARKING ONLY DURING SCHOOL HOURS

On Maple Street, east side, from a point 30 feet south of Bridge Street to a point 46 feet south (ORD 10034)

Alderman Roy

On motion by Alderman Long, duly seconded by Alderman Terrio, it was voted to approve.

2. HOPE Presentation made by Schonna Green, Director of Homelessness Initiatives, at the August Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting.
(Note: Referred to the committee by the BMA on 8/3/21.)

Alderman Long stated we have HOPE I, II, and III. I'll move to approve HOPE I.

Alderman Terrio asked which one had a homeless bill of rights. The reason why I mention it is because I believe it might be a little bit more controversial and may need more discussion.

Alderman Long replied I don't believe that is in HOPE I. I can amend the motion to approve without the recommendation of the Bill of Rights and we will have it on an agenda to discuss at the next meeting.

On motion of Alderman Long, duly seconded by Alderman Terrio, it was voted to approve HOPE I without the Homeless Bill of Rights.

3. Request from Robert Drinkwater of Meet New England to use the Arms Lot on Sunday, October 24, 2021 for a Car Show.

Alderman Long asked that application has been pulled correct.

Chairman Barry asked Denise are you all set with this.

Denise Boutilier, Parking Manager, replied we are all set with it as long as the car company knows not to do the two exceptions the City Clerk and the Parking Division did not approve; a burnout contest and an exhaust/muffler sound show. After talking with Matt Normand we told them that we would not approve those contests along with their regular car show. They submitted a new application taking those two exceptions out. We would like to reiterate that you never know what will be done when they get the show down there. We just want to make sure that when, or if we approve this, they know that they cannot have those contests.

Alderman Terrio replied just to clarify, Alderman Long thought this application was pulled but you are okay with it as long as they don't do the burnout and exhaust contests.

Ms. Boutilier replied yes. They pulled those two parts out of the application for the visual car show. We just want to make sure they can't sneak in the muffler contest.

Chairman Barry stated it would be a motion to approve with the understanding that the burnout and exhaust contests are not authorized.

Alderman Long asked what is a burnout and muffler contest.

Ms. Boutilier replied a muffler contest is muffler sound. They rev the exhaust to see who has the loudest exhaust. It is a contest correct Matt?

Matthew Normand, City Clerk, stated the Police Department also notified them that they would not approve those two activities either. They understand they are not permitted to do that. If they want to go forward, they will do it as they have done for the balance of the summer; just a car show.

Alderman Long asked are the local businesses fine with this.

Ms. Boutilier replied they are fine with it and agreed they did not want to hear the exhaust and burnout contests.

Alderman Long stated just for a little bit of history, they have been going down there and squealing their wheels and doing burnouts. The Chief went down there and explained to them that they need a permit to use the park. They are going through the process now. Now we are telling them there will be no burnouts. You have to control your crowd.

Alderman Terrio asked so they have been having these impromptu car shows.

Alderman Long replied correct.

City Clerk Normand stated they have had licensed events in public places across the city. The city had some issues early on and told them they need to find a new place. They were holding them and wanted to have their final meet of the season at Arm's Park. That is the request. They have been doing this in other places and there have been no issues that I am aware of after the early spring exhaust and burnout issues. They know if they wanted to do that they were not going to get approval for it. They still want to use Arm's Lot for their final car show.

*On motion of **Alderman Long**, duly seconded by **Alderman Terrio**, it was voted to approve with the two exceptions.*

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

A True Record. Attest.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matthew Normand". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

City Clerk