

TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING
AUGUST 18, 2004

Meeting held at the Traffic & Parking Office, 133 Holland St

Meeting called to order @ 6:00pm

Attendance

Stan Koty, Deputy Chief Graney, Lieutenant Paul Upton, George Manzelli, Robert Trane
Captain Robert Bradley, Stephen Jones, Todd Blake, Laura Accaputo

Item # 1 – Acceptance of Minutes from July 21, 2004 Traffic Commission Meeting
Motion to Accept Minutes George Manzelli, 2nd Robert Trane, unanimous

Item # 2 – Request for “Do Not Enter” (Mon-Fri 7am-9am and 2pm-3pm)

Raymond Av @ Curtis St

Department of Traffic & Parking has no objection to this restriction as requested and would also like to offer the alternative option of a “No Turn” restriction onto Raymond Av during these hours. Also, please see the attached letter from a resident of Raymond Av who is unable to attend the meeting but would like to voice her opinion to the Commission

Motion to **Approve** No Turn onto Raymond Av @ Curtis St in both directions Mon-Fri 7am-9am and 2pm-3pm, Lt Upton, 2nd Robert Trane, unanimous (will also place a saw horse with a Do Not Enter sign during the first week of school at this location)

Item # 3 – Request for a change to Article XVII Section 17-2 in the language that defines “Motorized Scooters” (underlined text denotes change):

Motorized Scooter- any two wheeled device that has handlebars, designed to be stood or sat upon by the operator, powered by an electric or “gasoline powered” motor that is capable of propelling the device with or without human propulsion, and which is not a “motor vehicle” or “motorized bicycle” as defined in Chapter 90 of the Massachusetts General Laws, except that a “Segway” personal mobility assistance device shall not be considered a motorized scooter. However, any personal assistance device that is intended for use and operated by a person with a disability shall be exempt from the provisions of this regulation

Motion to **Approve** George Manzelli, 2nd Robert Trane, unanimous

Item # 4 – Request for Handicapped Parking

217 Willow Av (This was a request from Alderman O’Donovan. We have not received an application but he would like it placed on the agenda and he will forward the application once complete)

Motion to **Approve** (temporary 30 day approval pending review of application) George Manzelli, 2nd Robert Trane, unanimous

Item # 5 – Request for Approval of existing Fire Lane
Hillside Circle

Motion to **Approve** Robert Trane, 2nd George Manzelli, unanimous

Item # 6 – Tabled Items

a) Request for Fire Lane

Delaware St (at the bend #18)

Motion to **Approve** Robert Trane, 2nd George Manzelli, unanimous

b) Request to issue Business Permits

Medford St (Trull-Partridge) - 2

Trull St – 1

Motion to **Approve** Robert Trane, 2nd George Manzelli, unanimous

Item # 7 – Items for Discussion

a) Alderman Connolly would like to advise the Traffic Commission of the concerns of the residents of Summit St (off College Av) with regards to the speeding traffic on their street, especially at rush hour, by people trying to avoid the rotary at Powderhouse. He is requesting that Lt. Upton accompany him to a neighborhood meeting, which will be scheduled sometime after Labor Day, to explore some possible remedies. He will be on vacation next week but will contact Lt Upton when he returns.

b) Alderman Connolly would like to advise the Traffic Commission that he would like to revisit Valet Parking in Davis Square (tabled from April 2004 meeting) at next months meeting. He will be proposing a trial period, providing that the business owners line up parking in privately owned spots.

Meeting adjourned @ 6:15pm