



City of Chelsea
TRAFFIC & PARKING COMMISSION
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Minutes of the December 13, 2016 meeting.

The meeting of the Chelsea Traffic and Parking Commission was held in the Third Floor Conference Room, 500 Broadway, Chelsea, Ma. The meeting was opened at 6:00p.m. by Acting Chairperson Sergeant John Nofle. Members present were Acting Director of Public Works Bertram Taverna, Fire Chief Leonard Albanese, Alex Train of Planning and Development and resident member Jorge Pazos.

New Business:

Agenda Item #1 – Meeting of October 25, 2016 meeting.

Leonard Albanese made a motion to approve the request. Jorge Pazos seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #2 – Communication of October 26, 2016 from the Parking Clerk Jeannette Cintron White, requesting the Commission review the possibility of restricting parking on the even side of Wesley Street from the drive way curb-cut to the corner of Garfield Avenue due to a public safety concern.

Bert Taverna made a motion to approve a “No Parking Here to Corner” sign twenty five feet of the intersection on Wesley Street. Jorge Pazos seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #3 – Communication of November 2, 2016 from Robert Hammond, requesting the Commission look into restricting Parking on Maple Street, between Sixth and Addison Street, due to public safety concerns since the new construction.

Joe Foti made a motion to approve the request. Jorge Pazos seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #4 – Communication of November 2, 2016 from Samir Moric, requesting the Commission review the traffic pattern of Washington Avenue at Lash Street due to public safety concerns.

Mr. Samir Moric did not attend the meeting. John Nofle stated due to the size of the vehicle by state statute, it is in excess. Alex Train made a motion to deny the request as it is federally regulated. Jorge Pazos seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #5 – Handicapped sign removal request of November 2, 2016 from Carlos H. Galdamez.

Leonard Albanese made a motion to approve the request. Jorge Pazos seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #6 – Communication of November 9, 2016 from Amanda Poste, requesting the Commission review the traffic pattern on Washington Avenue at Lash Street due to public safety concerns.

Bert Taverna stated it needs to be twenty feet of an intersection at Cumberland Farms. Alex Train stated this area will have changes at some point for the Casino. Alex Train made a motion to table the item until the redesign of the intersection. Len Albanese seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #7 – Communication of November 9, 2016 from City Manager Tom Ambrosino, requesting the Commission reduce the speed limit in Chelsea under the Municipal Modernization Act.

Alex Train made a motion to approve the request. Jorge Pazos seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #8 - Communication of November 9, 2016 from Councilor At Large Leo Robinson, requesting the Commission look at parking on City Hall Avenue by the Fire Station for fire vehicles only. Len Albanese stated that if accepted, the trailer will be removed and the fire apparatus will no longer block City Hall Avenue. He will inform all employees it is to only be used by city official fire personnel vehicles. Jorge Pazos made a motion to approve the request. Alex Train seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item # 9 – Communication of November 9, 2016 from Daniel Mojica, requesting “No Parking Anytime” signs on one side of Jefferson Avenue due to traffic safety concerns. Mr. Daniel Mojica did not attend the meeting. Bert Taverna made a motion to table the item as to give the requestor another opportunity to attend. Alex Train seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #10 - Communication of November 10, 2016 from Councilor At Large Roy Avellaneda, requesting that no parking be allowed under the Tobin Bridge on Everett Avenue to eliminate bottle necking. Bert Taverna stated he believes the issue to be caused by an alignment of the bridge and the parking lane. Jorge Pazos recommended painting the area as a first step. Alex Train agreed as stripping is no longer visible. Len Albanese made a motion to refer the item to DPW for restriping and revisit the issue in the spring. Jorge Pazos seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #11 - Communication of November 30, 2016 from Police Chief Brian A. Kyes, requesting changes to the current regulations for the city’s Truck Route. Alex Train explained the two issues Planning and Development found – two discrepancies through the State and City process. It technically is not a truck route. It may require a traffic engineering study and then approved by the state. Len Albanese stated to get the wheels in motion by contacting Mass Dot. Alex Train agreed as they are looking to review Fourth Street separately due to the traffic confusion. Bert Taverna does not believe this truck route was ever carried through the state process. He added there is a visibility issue with the No Truck signs as well. Jorge Pazos made a motion to table the item pending further review by Planning and Development until the next meeting. Len Albanese seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #12 - Communication of December 2, 2016 from Planning & Development Director John DePriest, requesting the Commission address traffic safety concerns from Sixth Street at 52 Washington Avenue. Len Albanese made a motion to refer the item to the police for enforcement. Alex Train seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:37 PM.



Jeannette Cintron White
Parking Clerk