

TRAFFIC BOARD MEETING 1038
Minutes
Planning Conference Room, 4th Floor, City Hall
Thursday, April 12, 2018

Approval of Minutes. Request to approve the minutes from Traffic Board Meeting 1037, held on **Thursday, March 8, 2018**

Call to Order. Called to order at 9:01 a.m. by Jared Kraham, Executive Assistant to the Mayor

Traffic Board Members Present: Giovanni Scaringi, Councilman; Jared Kraham, Executive Assistant to the Mayor; William Yeager, Assistant Chief-BPD; Ray Standish, Engineering

Traffic Board Members Absent: Bernice St. Clair, DPW

Also Present: Dan Correll, Retired BPD-Traffic; William Lescault, BPD Traffic; Dave Petryszyn, BPD Traffic; Katherine Hendrickson, BPD; Cindy Paddick, BMTS

Moved by: R. Standish, G. Scaringi

Motion carried. (Vote 4-0-1)

Ayes: G. Scaringi, J. Kraham, W. Yeager, R. Standish

Nays: None

Absent: B. St. Clair

Items Considered

Road Safety Assessment Report. Ms. Carol Hawley from the Southside Neighborhood Assembly will be reviewing the report with Cyndi Paddick. The report covers Vestal Avenue from Mary Street to Pennsylvania Avenue. Ms. Paddick reported that they did a south side road assessment in 2009. The assessment went from Mary Street to Pennsylvania Ave. Several recommendations were made, some of which have been implemented. Mr. Kraham said that Traffic Board will look at the assessment report and make a list of changes. Mr. Kraham reviewed the report and condensed it into actionable items. Jared is still waiting to meet with the school. DPW is looking into better signage. Members of Traffic Division met with Tonya Thompson at the school district. **Hold until Thursday, May 10, 2018 Traffic Board Meeting.**

No Parking Overnight Parking on Washington St. Councilman Taylor is requesting that the No Overnight Parking be removed from Washington Street. He stated that several business owners are complaining that their clients have having difficulty in parking early in the morning due to the overnight parking rules. He also stated that it would benefit the students. Mr. Correll and Mr. Kraham indicated that the reason it was set up this way was because of the students. They were constantly leaving their cars there overnight and into the day. Traffic will look into this further and report back in January 2018. Mr. Wandall suggested that this should not be allowed because students will leave their cars over the weekend and no parking spaces will be available for the customers going into the shops on the street. Both Traffic and Mr. Kraham thinks there perhaps the 2am to 6am No Parking rule may work. There are some concerns about new business coming into the area. **Hold until Thursday, May 10, 2018 Traffic Board Meeting**

61 Prospect Avenue . Mr. and Mrs. Martin are requesting that Prospect Avenue and Lewis Street is measured for on street parking on Prospect Street and Lewis Street. Mr. Kraham noted that the Firestone perpendicular parking is in violation. Zoning will report back on findings of non-compliance. Traffic reported that they are waiting on zoning before they can re-measure due to the sidewalk issue. **Hold until Thursday, May 10, 2018 Traffic Board Meeting.**

Eldredge Street. "No Parking Here to corner sign change on Eldredge Street towards Chenango Street. Traffic reported the following:

"The Traffic Division received a correspondence from Jared Kraham, Executive Assistant to the Mayor, to review the "No Parking Here to Corner" zone on the south side of Eldredge Street from Chenango Street, west. The owner of the building that fronts that location is requesting that the zone be reduced in length to allow for

additional parking from the existing no parking zone east. At present time that prohibited parking zone is posted as 94 feet in length.

The Traffic Division, upon responding to that location, observed that Eldredge Street is a standard width two way street. Vehicles traveling east bound have about a forty foot stacking lane from the stop bar west. To reduce the length of the No Parking Zone would reduce the stacking lane length by about one vehicle. This action may cause a conflict between traffic turning west onto Eldredge Street from Chenango Street with east bound traffic on Eldredge Street stacking behind the stop bar waiting for the traffic control device to turn green, as they would be encroaching on the west bound traffic lane.

The Traffic Division, upon measuring out that No Parking Zone, observed that that parking lane is about three feet short of the required distance for two parking spaces. The Traffic Division therefore recommends that the No Parking Zone not be amended to allow for the additional parking space but be amended as follows to allow for the required parking distance for two parked vehicles:

DELETE: Section 23 – No Parking Anytime Zone

Eldredge Street – South Side – from 50 feet east of Prospect Avenue to 250 feet east.

INSERT: Section 23 –No Parking Anytime Zone

Eldredge Street – South Side – from Chenango Street to 91 feet west of Chenango Street.

Eldredge Street – South Side – from 131 feet west of Chenango Street to Prospect Avenue.

This action would create the appropriate parking space required for two vehicles, correct the Traffic Code to reflect the required posting of the prohibited zones and maintain an unobstructed passageway for both east and west traffic on Eldredge Street between Chenango Street and Prospect Avenue. Any other changes to that zone may require a review of other off-street parking in that area.”

Motion to make suggested changes by Traffic Board.

Moved by: R. Standish, G. Scaringi

Motion carried. (Vote 4-0-1)

Ayes: G. Scaringi, J. Kraham, W. Yeager, R. Standish

Nays: None

Absent: B. St. Clair

Oak Street. Prohibited parking. The Traffic Division received a request from Franco Incitti, City Engineers Officer, to review the on street parking on Oak Street, between Clinton Street and Gaines Street during the Front Street Gateway Project. Traffic reported the following:

“The Traffic Division received a request from Franco Incitti, City Engineers Officer, to review the on street parking on Oak Street, between Clinton Street and Gaines Street during the Front Street Gateway Project. This street is temporarily being used as part of the detour route around that project. In addition to general traffic being detoured on that street, Broome Transit bus traffic is also using it in its attempt to maintain its pick up and drop off stops at critical locations. It has been advised that the bus traffic is experiencing turning obstructions with other motorists at congested intersections and impassible sections of the street where vehicles are parked on both sides. Temporary No Parking signs have been posted on the east side of the street from Clinton Street to Gaines Street. However those cardboard signs, which are attached to wood stands about three feet tall are indicated for a short and temporary time period. Because of their height and make up, they are not as visible and durable as the standard posting. They are more apt to be damaged, obstructed or vandalized. This project is projected to take about nine months.

The Traffic Division therefore recommends that the Traffic Code be amended as follows:

INSERT: Section 23 -No Parking Anytime Zone

Oak Street – East Side – From Clinton Street to Dickinson Street.

Oak Street – East Side – From Dickinson Street to Winding Way.

Oak Street – East Side – Winding Way to Gaines Street.

At the completion of the project, the on-street parking will be reviewed to ascertain whether or where, those prohibitions should be maintained or deleted.”

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Motion carried. (Vote 4-0-1)

Ayes: G. Scaringi, J. Kraham, W. Yeager, R. Standish

Nays: None

Absent: B. St. Clair

Motion to Adjourn at 9:20 a.m.

Moved by: R. Standish, G. Scaringi

Motion carried. (Vote 4-0-1)

Ayes: G. Scaringi, J. Kraham, W. Yeager, R. Standish

Nays: None

Absent: B. St. Clair