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**CITY OF GLOUCESTER  
TRAFFIC COMMISSION**

**A meeting was held on Thursday September 24th, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.  
in the third floor Conference Room  
at Gloucester City Hall**

*The meeting was opened by Chairman Robert B. Ryan at 6:00 p.m. In attendance were Commission members Anthony Bertolino, Robert Francis and Michael Mulcahey. Also present was Councilor Melissa Cox, Conservation agent Ken Whittaker, attorney Meredith Fine and Joel Favazza and Tony Frontiero and Aleesha Nunley.*

***AGENDA***

*The minutes of the 8/27/15 meeting were unanimously approved.*

Handicap Parking request (GCO 22-287):

O. Vincent Cafasso for one space at #6 Plum Street

*After discussion of Mr. Cafasso's request and learning the reasons for same, the Commission by a vote of 4-0 approved the order.*

**ORDER #CC2015-031** (Councilor LeBlanc) **ORDERED** that the City Council request the Traffic Commission to conduct a speed study on Kent Circle and investigate whether Kent Circle should be a one way street; and that the Traffic Commission make a written recommendation to the Ordinance & Administration on the findings of their review including whether any Traffic Ordinance amendments are recommended.

**FURTHER ORDERED** that the GCO Sec. 22-270.1 "Resident Sticker parking only" be amended by **ADDING** Kent Circle.

*As a result of the traffic speed and volume study not yet complete, the Commission voted to continue the order.*

**ORDER #CC2015-033** (Councilor Cox) **ORDERED** that the GCO Sec. 22-269 “Stop Intersections” be amended by **ADDING** a stop sign on Shepherd Street for eastbound drivers on Shepherd Street at its intersection with Pleasant Street and in accordance with Sec. 22-128 with the official stop sign thereon facing traffic proceeding in the direction indicated above.

*After discussion with both Councilor Cox and a resident of Shepherd Street, the Commission voted to continue the order in order to schedule a group site visit and determine the best approach to improve the safety of the subject intersection, and learn the best location and placement of a stop sign if approved.*

**ORDER #CC2015-034** (Councilor McGeary) **ORDERED** that the Gloucester Code of Ordinances Sec. 22-145 “General Prohibitions” be **AMENDED** by **DELETING** from paragraph (a) in its entirety and **REPLACING** it with:

Sec. 22-145. - General prohibitions.

(a) “No person shall allow, permit or suffer any vehicle registered in his name to stand or park in any street, way, highway, road or parkway under the control of the city, including land under the supervision and/or control of the Conservation Commission, in violation of this chapter or other traffic ordinances or orders adopted by the city council, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the direction of a police official or traffic sign or signal; and in particular, in any of the following places:”

**FURTHER ORDERED** that Gloucester Code of Ordinances Sec. 22-291 “Tow-away zones” be **AMENDED** by **ADDING**:

Wise Place, the entirety of the land under the supervision of the Conservation Commission extending from the edge of the Wise Place Right of Way between and easterly of 3 and 5 Wise Place. The foregoing notwithstanding, within the confines of the **two-space** parking area designated by the City with permanent or semi-permanent markers, the provisions of this subsection shall be applicable only between the hours of **6 P.M. and 7 A.M.** or at any time when more than two cars are parked in the designated area.

*After listening to all the parties affected by the proposed orders, the Commission unanimously voted to recommend the above orders with the following changes:*

- Insert three-space parking for two-space
- The hours of 12 P.M. and 7 A.M. for 6 P.M. and 7 A.M.

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

**ROBERT B. RYAN, Chairman**

**LARRY INGERSOLL, Secretary**