



# CITY OF GLOUCESTER TRAFFIC COMMISSION

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Robert B. Ryan, Chairman

Mike Mulcahey, Secretary

The Gloucester Traffic Commission meeting was held on Thursday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021, at 6:00pm in the **First Floor Conference Room** of City Hall.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chairman Robert B. Ryan. Attending members of the Commission were Anthony Bertolino, Mike Mulcahey, Mike Williams and Drew White. In addition, Councilor Melissa Cox and Gail McDonald were in attendance.

## MINUTES

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the Commission's meeting of April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021. A motion was made and seconded, and the minutes were unanimously approved.

**AMEND the GCO: Sec. 22-287. Disabled Veteran/Handicapped Parking.** By DELETING 12 Webster Street.

After learning that the new owners of the home did not have use of the handicapped space in front of their home, a motion was made to approve the order. The motion was seconded, and the order passed unanimously.

**AMEND the GCO: Sec. 22-287. Disabled Veteran/Handicapped Parking.** By ADDING 15 Whittemore Street.

Subsequent to the request for a space at 15 Whittemore Street, it was learned the space was already in the City's Disabled Veteran/Handicapped Parking inventory. Ms. Gail McDonald, speaking on behalf of the resident of 15 Whittemore Street stated that a sign was needed as no sign existed. Ms. McDonald was assured that a request to the DPW would be made and that a sign would be installed.

ORDERED that the Gloucester Code of Ordinances Chapter 22 "Traffic" be amended as follows:

**AMEND Sec.22-265. Turning movements-Generally** by ADDING:

While school is in session, Pleasant Street in a northerly direction, no left turn onto Smith Street between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.;

**AMEND Sec. 22-159. Same-Between certain hours and on certain days by ADDING:**

(4) Pleasant Street. While school is in session, Pleasant Street from a point beginning at its intersection with Prospect Street, westerly side, in a northerly direction to Smith Street, no parking between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.

(5) Smith Street. While school is in session, Smith Street, southerly side, from its intersection with Pleasant Street in a westerly direction to Maplewood Avenue, no parking between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. Bus pick-up and drop-off only:

**AMEND Sec. 22-270. Parking Prohibited at all Times.** By DELETING Pleasant Street, westerly side, from Smith Street, southerly direction for a distance of 200 feet;

**AMEND Sec. 22-283. Bus Stops and Taxi Stands.** By DELETING Pleasant Street, westerly side, beginning at a point 50' north of its intersection with Prospect Street for a distance of 120' in a northerly direction effective from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. weekdays, excluding the months of July and August.

After having gone through the orders and explaining the need to accommodate the relocation of both the Veterans and East Gloucester School students and having Councilor Cox explain the need for safety, a motion was made and seconded to approve the orders together, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Lastly, Councilor Cox discussed the need to improve not only the surrounding area of Smith Street and Pleasant Street, but that she was calling for a site visit the week of August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021, to review and ask for suggestions to improve the safety at the intersection of Pleasant Street and Shepherd Street.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting, and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm.