

**CITY OF GLOUCESTER  
TRAFFIC COMMISSION**

**A meeting was held on Wednesday April 11, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.  
in the third floor conference room at Gloucester City Hall.**

The meeting was opened at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Robert B. Ryan. Also attending were members Larry Ingersoll, Anthony Bertolino and Michael Mulcahey. Also present were City Councilors Paul McGeary and Steven LeBlanc and Attorney Robert Coakley.

*Agenda*

Order #CC2012-019 (Councilor LeBlanc) Ordered that the GCO Chapter 22 (Traffic & MV's) Section 22-274 (Two Hour Parking) be amended by:

DELETING: Azorean lot, after the current entrance, and beginning ten feet from pole #27-1, in a southerly direction, on the easterly side, for a distance of 85 feet (approximately 4 spaces); and by

ADDING: Azorean lot, after the current entrance, and beginning ten feet from pole #27-1, in a southerly direction, on the easterly side, for a distance of 65 feet (approximately 3 spaces); and further;

Ordered that the GCPO sec. 22-287 (Handicapped Parking) be amended by:

ADDING: 133 Washington Street (in front of the Azorean Restaurant) one space on the easterly side, beginning at a point 65 feet in a southerly direction from pole #27-1, for a distance of 20 feet (one space)

*After a discussion and viewing site plans provided by Atty. Coakley, a MOTION was MADE, SECONDED and PASSED to APPROVE the Order as requested. The TC mentioned concerns of the space being tied up all day by someone using the commuter rail (the reason why the 2 hour zone was established). A question was brought up if a handicapped space can have a time limit (2 hours) attached to it to prevent this. The City Solicitor will be contacted to see if this is allowable. The location of the space also may have to be adjusted following the proposed Washington Street improvements and the final plan of the new Azorean parking area.*

We have also been asked by the O&A Committee to discuss possible other changes to the Davis Street extension issue with traffic from the East Gloucester School.

*The TC was concerned that the original order was not approved as it pertained to the safe passage of school buses entering the circle in the afternoons. (In the morning the buses drop off while on Chapel Street). After discussing this matter with the Councilors present, a suggestion was made that a 'sandwich board' type sign be placed at the end of Davis Street Extension that states: 'Staff, Buses and Residents Only'. It is hard to correct 'flow' on a dead end street. Whatever is decided on, there is a question of who would be there to enforce the restrictions. Everyone concerned (Council, TC, School, PTO, Residents and Police) needs to meet before a final plan can be devised, and a meeting in the future is being planned.*

**The meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m.**

**ROBERT B. RYAN, Chairman      LARRY INGERSOLL, Secretary**