



# CITY of GLOUCESTER TRAFFIC COMMISSION

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Robert B. Ryan, Chairman  
Larry Ingersoll, Secretary

A meeting of the Gloucester Traffic Commission was held on Thursday, July 27, 2017 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. Attending were members Anthony Bertolino, Larry Ingersoll, Michael Mulcahey, Robert Francis and residents Marion MacFarland and Kathleen Francis.

## AGENDA

- Approval of the minutes from our 6/29/17 meeting

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*A MOTION was made, seconded and PASSED to APPROVE the minutes.*

- Handicapped Parking requests

One space at 15 Dodge Street

*After speaking to the requestor and a discussion, a MOTION was made, seconded and PASSED to **APPROVE** the request. The sign can be placed in front of the home at #15 Dodge Street. The house is a two family with a shared drive with a neighbor. There are NO other handicapped spaces on Dodge Street.*

Removal of a space at 35 Cleveland Street

*After a discussion a MOTION was made, seconded and PASSED to **REMOVE** the space.*

Removal of 2 spaces dedicated for City Hall use on Dale Avenue

*After a discussion, a MOTION was made, seconded and PASSED to **REMOVE** the spaces. Parking meters can be reinstalled in the spaces. Previously, the state required two dedicated handicapped spaces for City Hall use and now that improvements have been made to the City Hall yard parking which included the addition of two on site spaces, the spaces on Dale Avenue dedicated to City Hall use are not needed.*

*The following was continued from our May and June Meetings:*

**Order #CC2017-013** (Councilor O'Hara) **ORDERED** that the Ordinances & Administration Standing Committee request that the Traffic Commission review the beach no parking areas for possible expansion of beach no parking areas.

*(May Meeting) After speaking to Councilor O'Hara and a discussion, a MOTION was made to CONTINUE the order.*

*Most of the streets in the Good Harbor Beach area are currently posted but some are Saturday P.M., Sunday and holiday only, some are prohibited at all times and some have no restrictions. Some streets may have to be added (Hartz Street for example) and could be made for resident parking only. Councilor O'Hara, the TC and Ward One Councilor Memhard will continue to research the restrictions and speak to affected residents on their input. At this time the area to Wingaersheek Beach is not an issue as the only street approaching it is already prohibited at all times.*

*(June meeting) JD McEachern and Councilor Nolan updated the TC on the continuing progress on this matter.*

*(July Meeting) The TC has not received any new information on this subject. A MOTION was made, seconded and PASSED to CONTINUE it further.*

A request from DPW Mike Hale concerning a crosswalk at the intersection of Gloucester Avenue and Washington Street,

*(From Mike Hale): On Washington Street at Gloucester Avenue there was a crosswalk. When we paved, we did not reinstall one. The concern was lack of sight and speed, both heading out of the rotary. There have been a few requests to put it back. Looking for a little guidance from the TC on this. I personally think it's a dangerous location and a crosswalk only makes it worse, not better.*

*After viewing maps of the area and a discussion, a MOTION was made, seconded and PASSED to CONTINUE the matter. The TC had some questions and would like to speak with both DPW Director Mike Hale and Councilor Steven LeBlanc at our next meeting to discuss this and possible alternatives.*

**The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.**