Transportation Committee - Board of Representatives



David Watkins, Chair

Mavina Moore, Vice Chair

Committee Report

Date: Thursday, April 22, 2021

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: This meeting was held remotely.

The Transportation Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Watkins, Vice Chair Moore and Committee Member Reps. Curtis, Di Costanzo, Giordano, Patterson, Pendell, and Wallace. Excused was Committee Member Rep. Michelson. Also present were Reps. Adams, Cottrell, McMullen, and Stella; Frank Petise, Acting Transportation Bureau Chief; and Chris Dellaselva, Law Department.

Chair Watkins called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
1. <u>T30.063</u>	ORDINANCE <u>for public hearing and final adoption</u> ; Establishing a Requirement to Move a Vehicle at Least <u>100 50</u> feet for Timed Violations. 03/03/21 – Submitted by Frank Petise 03/18/21 – Approved by Committee, as amended, 8-0-0	Held 7-0-0

Chair Watkins opened the public hearing. There being no members of the public present wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

Committee members discussed Item No. 1 with the invited guests. Items discussed included the following:

- State law provides that someone with a valid ADA placard is not subject to parking time limits
- If someone reparks in the same parking space, the valve stem on the tire, or the chalk mark, would have moved
- The 120 hour violations are mostly complaint based. The 5 day period doesn't start until after the complaint and the subsequent inspection of the vehicle
- Debris against the vehicle would be another indicator that a vehicle hasn't moved
- There is a shortage of parking in parts of the City, so moving a vehicle isn't easy
- The shortage also presents a problem for people who arrive home
- This would be enforced on any street where the City enforces parking restrictions
- The 120 hour limit already exists, this does not add to that and the time only starts after a complaint is made
- The intent is to enforce time restrictions that are already in place
- The sticker contains a phone number to call and gives at least 24 hours before a vehicle is towed
- This is intended to address businesses that park vehicles on streets for extended periods and exclude residents from spaces

 The language of 231-6 is unclear; it suggests that a vehicle that moves could still be in violation

A motion to hold Item No. 1 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 7-0-0 (Reps. Watkins, Curtis, Di Costanzo, Giordano, Patterson, Pendell, and Wallace in favor).

2. T30.064 RESOLUTION and public hearing; Establishing a Parking Meter Zone on Shippan Avenue Along the Frontages of Cummings Park and 614 Shippan Avenue.

03/03/21 – Submitted by Frank Petise
03/18/21 – Approved by Committee 8-1-0

Chair Watkins opened the public hearing. There being no members of the public present wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

04/05/21 - Held by Full Board for Public Hearing

Committee members discussed Item No. 2 with the invited guests as follows:

- This resolution would create new short term spaces
- This does not impact the soccer field or beach

A motion to approve Item No. 2 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 7-1-0 (Reps. Watkins, Moore, Di Costanzo, Giordano, Patterson, Pendell, and Wallace in favor; Rep. Curtis opposed).

3. T30.065

APPROVAL; Agreement Between the City of Stamford and AKRF, Inc. for Broad Street Corridor Safety
Improvement Design Services under RFQ No. 792.
[Amount of agreement - \$150,000.00. See backup for additional terms of agreement.]
03/22/21 – Submitted by Mayor Martin
04/08/21 – Approved by Board of Finance 6-0-0

Committee members discussed Item No. 3 with the invited guests as follows:

- The City received a local road accident grant based on the high number of pedestrians and accidents in the area
- Exhibit A-2 contains the proposed safety measures
- The total project cost is \$621,000; the City is responsible for 100% of the design costs, which is this agreement, and will be responsible for 10% of the construction costs (\$62,100); the other 90% will be paid by the State through WestCOG
- AKRF was chosen through an RFP process; DOT participated in the process
- This amount is in the FY20-21 capital budget; the construction cost would be in the FY21-22 budget
- There are no anticipated right-of-way acquisition costs

A motion to approve Item No. 3 was made, seconded, and approved by a vote of 8-0-0 (Reps. Watkins, Moore, Curtis, Di Costanzo, Giordano, Patterson, Pendell, and Wallace in favor).

Chair Watkins adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

This meeting is on video.