



CITY OF DOVER

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE - AGENDA

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: City Council Conference Room
Meeting Date: **Monday, June 23, 2008**
Meeting Time: **7:00 pm**

DRAFT VERSION

Meeting called to order by Chair, Glenn Grasso at 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Glenn Grasso (Chair), Peter Schmidt (COAST), Marn Speidel (Police), David White (Community Services), Councilwoman Karen Weston, John Scruton, Dennis Munson, Ed Wentworth, Bruce Woodruff (Planning).

CITIZEN'S FORUM

Resident Sara Treacy of 148 Locust Street addressed major traffic concerns on Locust Street such as size of trucks and busses, as well as, speeding concerns.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Traffic Calming Committee:

John Scruton informed of the traffic calming reports; handed out information on this.

Downtown Parking Committee:

Peter Schmidt gave his report about parking garage funding alternatives. The Committee is still working on the numbers.

OLD BUSINESS

(A) Review/Approval of May 19, 2008 Meeting Minutes. Chair Glenn Grasso discussed some house keeping items. Marn Speidel addressed items. Motion to accept May 19th minutes made by Peter Schmidt; seconded by Ed Wentworth. Motion passed 9-0 (All in favor).

(B) Henry Law Avenue

Marn Speidel spoke regarding Henry Law Avenue parking options. This includes a three-hour limit and a possible pay and display pilot program. He also presented an update on the construction work and the possibility of having a one-way traffic flow pattern. He suggested that TAC vote on this and to send this to the City Council ASAP. Councilwoman Weston spoke of updates to Henry Law Avenue. Chair Grasso voiced concern over lack of resident notice for the one-way traffic plan. Councilwoman Weston voiced her objections. Peter Schmidt spoke of parking ideas. John Scruton stated that he would like to make sure Henry Law residences have proper notification of any changes made. Bruce Woodruff explained the procedure for notifying residents and indicated that he would do so for the next meeting. No Motion was made for formal adoption of one-way traffic plan.



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(C) Downtown disabled parking time limits. Motion to remove disabled parking time limit from the table made by Peter Schmidt. Seconded by Councilor Weston. Motion passed: 8-0. Bruce Woodruff did not vote.

Marn Speidel spoke on the issue and read the text of NH RSA 265:74. He also made reference to recent e-mails he has received regarding the handicap spots by the downtown mills. Chair Grasso stated that the mill owners should make more spots available. Bruce Woodruff spoke of ideas and stated that mill owners should take care of their problems and spoke of updating their trolley system for the handicapped. Motion to recommend the Council approve a four-hour limit for disabled parking, which is twice the time limit already in effect for regular parkers was made by Dennis Munson. Seconded by Ed Wentworth. All in favor (7-1) John Scruton did not vote. Peter Schmidt stated that he would like to have a meeting scheduled with the mill owners.

NEW BUSINESS:

(A) Crosswalks on Central Ave and St. Thomas

Councilor Weston spoke about complaints regarding city crosswalks. She inquired as to how best to address the problems. Bruce Woodruff spoke of the history of the cross walk (1962) and stated some ideas to make sure the crosswalks are more noticeable to drivers. Peter Schmidt and John Scruton presented suggestions. Motion made by John Scruton to implement Bruce Woodruff's idea; seconded by Peter Schmidt. Marn Speidel spoke about concerns of too much clustering of signs. All members wish to do what is right to address this issue. Dave White made motion to table this until the city can review the situation and the city can find a way to find funding to implement ideas. VOTE: 5-3. Dave White, Councilor Weston and Ed Wentworth opposed.

(B) Locust Street Traffic & Commercial Traffic

Sara Treacy was invited by Bruce Woodruff to present her concerns. She did so. Bruce presented history of Locust Street traffic issues and suggested she get involved with city's planning for traffic and truck routes. Marn Speidel discussed a seven day traffic count on street, average speed of 28mph and 6244 average daily vehicle count. The data has not been determined to support intensified speed enforcement, but Police will continue to monitor.

MEMBERS COMMENTS:

Marn Speidel suggested that minute notes should be shorter and that it should reflect the same outline format as the agenda.

NEXT MEETING:

Special meeting E911 Street renaming, June 30th, 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURN:

Motion to adjourn made by Dennis Munson; seconded by Ed Wentworth. All in favor.