



**CITY OF DOVER**

## TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting  
Meeting Location: FINANCE DEPARTMENT CONFERENCE ROOM,  
(TOP FLOOR, CITY HALL)  
Meeting Date: **Monday, September 21, 2009**  
Meeting Time: **7:00 pm (preceded by a site walk at 6:15 pm)**

At 6:15 PM, members Weston, Speidel, Scruton and Clark met at the intersection of Durham Road and The Garrison Condos to review the site of a crosswalk request. Discussion on the item is detail in Old Business Item C.

Regular Meeting called to order by Councilor Weston at 7:04 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Chris Parker (Planning Director), Councilor Weston, Bruce Woodruff (Planning), Ben Clark (Community Services), Marn Speidel (Police), John Scruton, and Dennis Munson.

Absent: Peter Schmidt and Ed Wentworth

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **A) Review/Approval of August 24, 2009 meeting minutes**

John Scruton had a few concerns with the language of the section on Ezra's Way. Ben Clark explained. John also will make comment at a later time. Correction to minutes noted that at first sentence at neighborhood design, name should be Bruce Woodruff, not John Scruton. Motion to accept minutes made by Dennis Munson, seconded by Ben Clark. All in favor.

#### **B) Discussion on context/neighborhood sensitive road design regulations in Planning Board Site Review. Planning Director and Planning Board Chair Invited to participate in discussion at meeting. – Planning update.**

Chris Parker informed the Committee on how future development will have to follow new design specifications. Councilor Weston inquired as to whether the City will have developers put road stripping into the rules. Chris Parker suggested that our Committee make a list of City areas/locations that we might require change to and Committee members work together on this.

Motion made by Marn Speidel to Move Item C of New Business Parking issues @ Central Avenue and Ash Streets to next on agenda.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **C) Parking issue @ Central Avenue and Ash Streets**

Resident Matthew Greenwood spoke to committee. Concerned that trash removal truck always parking there and inquired if there is anything that can be done. Bruce Woodruff asked a few questions: Is the parking space within the city specs? Is this a city school crossing? Bruce Woodruff continued by stating the City is really trying to solve this problem. Marn Speidel inquired if the truck was parked there to advertise? If so, there is a City Ordinance against this, yet legal if the owner of the truck lives in the area. He suggested eliminating the crosswalk or the parking space. Committee members discussed the possible elimination of the crosswalk by allowing the paint to fade over the next year and discussed eliminating the parking space. Mr. Greenwood raised a concern that the



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signals at Central Avenue / Oak Street do not have chirping during walk cycle. Woodruff stated that City does not normally install visual impairment devices at signals outside the core. He suggested that Mr. Greenwood address a formal letter to the TAC that requests such action at Central / Oak. Motion made by Dennis Munson, seconded by Marn Speidel to have the Engineering Department eliminate the parking bay immediately south of the crosswalk, on the east side, at Central and Ash Streets. All in favor.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **C) Crosswalk request – Durham Road @ The Garrison condos**

Site-walk was completed by Committee members prior to meeting. Marn Speidel presented on this issue. Bruce Woodruff stated that he would like to have representation from the Garrison Condo Association into order to hear exactly what they would like to have happen. Once the City finishes the master sidewalk plan – that this may help them out. Motion made by Ben Clark, seconded by Dennis Munson, to table this item. All in favor.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **A) Fourth Street parking concern/area of Frances Drive**

Marn Speidel presented the City concern to Committee. Councilor Weston added that she also believes that this area is not safe and would recommend that this area be designated a no parking zone. Chris Parker recommends having the City stripe this area better. John Scruton also added comments. Ben Clark will return next meeting with striping scenario to connect from the bridge to Grove Street. Motion to table this made by Dennis Munson, seconded by Ben Clark. All in favor.

### **MEMBER COMMENTS**

John Scruton spoke of his letter in 1994 to the City Manager. He spoke of traffic calming. Councilor Weston would like to know how the Garrison School parking lot is coming along. Ben Clark spoke – Marn spoke – traffic pattern will change – bus loops in front – parent loop in the back of the school. Woodruff is being deployed to military service and will miss the October meeting.

### **SCHEDULE OF NEXT MEETING**

October 26, 2009 at 7:00 PM

### **ADJOURN**

Motion to adjourn made by Dennis Munson, seconded by Ben Clark, at 9:12 PM. All in favor.