

City of Salem Traffic and Parking Commission

NOTICE OF MEETING

Thursday, June 25, 2020 @ 6:30PM

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MEETING AGENDA

- I. ROLL CALL
- II. PUBLIC COMMENTS (15 min period of no less than 3 min per person*)
- III. TRAFFIC AND PARKING DIRECTOR UPDATE: Traffic and Parking Director will provide an update on the recently completed restriping of the Church Street East and West parking lots, status of the city's bike share program, the ongoing work at the Museum Place Garage and matters the Commission has referred to the City Council Subcommittee on Ordinances, Licenses, and Legal Affairs (OLLA).
- IV. NEW/OLD BUSINESS (each item limited to 3 min per person*)
 - a. Transportation and Systemic Racism The Commission will have a discussion on the general role of transportation policies/planning in systemic racism.
 - **b. Outdoor Dining** The Commission will discuss the City's ongoing efforts to work with local restaurants to create outdoor dining spaces that are compliant with new state and local regulations.
 - c. Shared Streets Pilot Program The Commission will discuss the City's efforts to implement "shared streets" concepts in neighborhoods where traffic calming requests have been made or identified this will include a discussion of areas where sidewalks have been extended to allow pedestrians to maintain safe social distances.
 - d. Request for Traffic Ordinance Recommendation
 - i. Hampton Inn Hotel Parking and Traffic Circulation Changes As part of the Planning Board's Decision approving this project there are certain traffic and parking regulation changes which will require adoption by the City Council. Commission will discuss and provide recommendations for or against the following items, which were tabled at the last meeting:
 - Amend meter zones along portions of Washington St and Dodge St adjacent to new hotel
 - Convert Dodge St Court between New Derby St and Dodge St from two-way to one-way southbound

- 3. Establishing Stop controls on Dodge St Court for both the northbound and southbound approaches at Dodge St
- ii. Hawthorne Boulevard Service Zone Request As part of the Planning Board conditions for the project at 13 Hawthorne Boulevard, the developer is required to seek City approval to designate two (2) onstreet parking spaces in front of the building as a pick-up and drop-off zone. This requires a change to the ordinance and would constitute a "service zone." This item was tabled at the last meeting.
- iii. Lafayette Street Resident Sticker Parking Through Ward 7 Councillor Dibble, the residents at 410 Lafayette Street have requested to be included in the resident sticker parking area on Lafayette Street. Their property had previously been owned by Salem State University and so was excluded from the resident sticker parking area.
- V. OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY LEGALLY COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION
- VI. MEETING SCHEDULE
- VII. MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL
- VIII. ADJOURNMENT

*Per person comment period may be longer per the Chair's discretion

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