



# Public Hearing

## 2014 Fall Traffic Hearing

The Provincetown Board of Selectmen will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, November 12, 2014 at 5 p.m. in the Judge Welsh room, Town Hall, 260 Commercial St. Provincetown, Massachusetts 02657 to hear the merits of the following parking and traffic proposals that have been submitted to the Board of Selectmen for review in the 2014 Fall Traffic Hearing. Individuals filing traffic proposals or their representative must attend the hearing.

## Citizen Proposals

1. Proposal by Maureen McCarron to install a crosswalk on Shank Painter Road between the building at 90 Shank Painter Road and the businesses on the other side of the street.
2. Proposal by Steven Benjamin to remove the parking space in front of 10 Pearl Street directly across from the driveway entrance of 11 Pearl Street.
3. Proposal by Judith Cicero to require all vehicles, taxis and pedi cabs currently in front of Town Hall to park in designated spaces along Ryder Street Extension. The stand area should be clearly marked. Bicycles should not be attached to traffic signs on Commercial Street.
4. Proposal by Hilary Bamford to limit parking along Ryder Street between Bradford Street and Commercial Street to standard sized vehicles only.
5. Proposal by Daniel Towler to open up the Route 6 median at the Howland Street intersection for traffic in both directions along Route 6.
6. Proposal by Howard Berman to lower the posted maximum speed limit on Conwell Street to 20 MPH or 25 MPH for the entire stretch of Conwell Street and to step up enforcement.

7. Proposal by Richard Arsenault to change the direction of travel on Conwell Street to one way traffic, routing alternate direction traffic onto Howland Street and installing sidewalks and bike lanes on Conwell Street.

8. Proposal by Alan Roth to change the direction of travel on Conwell Street to one way traffic in one of two ways: Option 1: Southbound only traffic from Harry Kemp to Bradford Street and add sidewalks and bike lanes to this segment of Conwell Street. Option 2: Northbound only traffic from Bradford Street to Harry Kemp Way and add sidewalks and bike lanes to this segment of Conwell Street.

9. Proposal by Robert Wadlin to replace the yellow parking line at the corner of the driveway adjacent to 237 Bradford Street in front of the white fence that faces Bradford Street.

## Staff Proposals

10. Proposal by the Town Manager on behalf of the Board of Selectmen to establish a policy whereby the Town only tows for street sweeping violations upon multiple violations and not for first or second time offenders.

11. Proposal by the Provincetown Parking Department to increase the fines for parking violations as follows:

Group A fines:

Meter violations	\$25 to \$35
No Parking restricted / Tow Zone	\$25 to \$35
Loading Zone	\$25 to \$35
Resident Zone	\$25 to \$35
Not in Proper Space	\$25 to \$35
Taxi / Bus Zone	\$25 to \$35
Overtime Parking	\$25 to \$35
Street Sweeping	\$25 to \$100
Snow Removal	\$25 to \$35
Campers Excluded	\$25 to \$35

Group B fines:

Obstructing sidewalk / crosswalk	\$50 to \$100
Obstructing driveway / gate	\$50 to \$100
Within 20 feet of intersection	\$50 to \$100
Fire Lane / Fire Station	\$50 to \$100
Obstructing Public Transportation	\$50 to \$100

Group C fines:

Violation of handicapped unloading	\$100 to \$150
Violation of handicapped / private property	\$100 to \$150
Within 10 feet of fire hydrant	\$100 to \$150

Group D fines:

Violation of handicapped / public property	\$300 <i>no change</i>
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12. Proposal by the Provincetown Parking Department to create a *Weekly Parking Permit*, similar to the existing Grace Hall Weekly Permit. The Weekly Parking Permit will be valid for 7 days and be marketed towards visitors renting weekly in condominiums and guest houses and will be sold for \$75 (approx 50% discounted rate). The permit will be good in all permit districts, street meters and town-owned lots excluding the MPL (MacMillan Pier Parking Lot), but will still be subject to established time restrictions in all zones.

13. Proposal by the Provincetown Parking Department to designate side streets between Commercial Street and Bradford Street as Permit Only Districts (Resident, Property Owner and Weekly Permits allowed).

14. Proposal by the Provincetown Parking Department to establish a permit to accommodate boats and trailers up to 20 feet on the Jerome Smith and 3 Jerome Smith Road (Former VFW) Parking Lots for \$500 per year.

15. Proposal by the Provincetown Parking Department to designate spot 27 in the Ryder Street Lot as "*Town Hall Business Only*", Monday through Thursday 8am to 6pm and Friday 8am to 12 pm.

16. Proposal by the Town Manager on behalf of the Board of Selectmen to make the following amendment to the Parking Regulations:

#### **4-3-1 GENERAL PROVISIONS**

#### **ARTICLE 3 TAXICAB ZONE**

#### **4-3-1 GENERAL PROVISIONS**

The location of all special parking zones, including bus stops, taxicab stands and service zones shall be specified by the Board of Selectmen and in the case of taxicab stands, the Board of Selectmen shall designate who may use them as such. No person shall park a specially designated vehicle under these rules and orders in any other place on any street other than in those zones designated below for said vehicles.

A. Six (6) spaces at the corner of Standish Street and Commercial Street shall be designated ~~for dune tour vehicles from 9:00am to 9:00pm and as "No Parking Anytime -Tow Zone / taxicab stands after from 9:00pm to 8:00am. Dune Tour and Taxicab operators must obtain permits in accordance with section 4-3-2 of these regulations in order to use this zone.~~

B. Two (2) taxicab stand spaces along MacMillan Pier Lot guardrail, immediately East of the start of the rail at Lopes Square.

C. One space in front of Town Hall, '260' Commercial Street shall be designated as 'No Parking Anytime-Tow Zone' taxicab stand from 9:30pm to 6:00 am.

~~C. One Taxicab Stand in front of Town Hall, '260' Commercial Street. Install new signs at the beginning of 1997 parking season that denote a taxicab stand after hours in space reserved for trolley with sign that reads 'No Parking Anytime Tow Zone' reserved for Provincetown Trolley 6:00am to 9:30pm and Taxicab stand all other times'. And a sign for entire length of unloading zone (stopping before spaces reserved for Rambling Rose Carriage Company) which reads 'No Parking Anytime Tow Zone' unloading zone from 6:00am to 9:30pm and Taxicab stand all other times. Signage for both locations must be done on one sign.~~

#### ~~4-3-2 YEARLY FEE~~

~~Dune tour vehicles and trolleys shall be charged a rate of \$1,000.00 per vehicle per year for utilizing the parking spaces designated at various locations in town.~~

#### ~~4-3-2A TAXICAB FEE~~

~~Amend Taxicab regulation by dropping parking fees for taxicabs and create a twenty four (24) hour taxicab space in season in the area of Seamen's Bank~~

D. One space across from Seamen's Bank shall be designated as a 'No Parking Anytime – Tow Zone Taxicab stand 24 hours daily.

#### **4-4-1 GENERAL PROHIBITIONS**

No person shall park a vehicle other than a bus in a bus stop or bus parking area as designated below in these regulations.

~~Install new signs at beginning of 59 1997 Parking Season that denote a Taxi Stand after hours in space reserved for trolley with sign that reads "No Parking Any Time Tow Zone" reserved for Provincetown Trolley 6AM-9:30PM and Taxi Stand all other times and a sign for entire length of unloading zone (stopping before spaces reserved for Rambling Rose Carriage Company) which reads "No Parking Any Time Tow Zone" unloading zone from 6AM-9:30PM and Taxi Stand all other times signage for both locations must be done on one sign.~~

#### **ARTICLE 8 CAMPER/TROLLEY PARKING**

##### **4-8-1 GENERAL CAMPER PROVISIONS**

Camper parking for vehicles over 20 feet shall only be allowed in the area so designated in the Jerome Smith Parking Lot. Campers over 20 feet are prohibited in all other municipal parking lots. Campers 20 feet and under may park in Fire Station on the South side of the fire station on Shank Painter Road.

##### **4-8-2 TROLLEY**

~~A sign which reads 'No Parking Town Zone, Trolley Stop' shall be placed in front of Town Hall.~~

#### **ARTICLE 4 SPECIAL PERMITS**

## **6-4-2 SPECIAL BUSINESS PERMIT – SIGHTSEEING VEHICLES**

Increase the special business permit fees for the Dune Tours and Trolley to \$1,000.00

A. The Board of Selectmen shall specify the location of all special parking zones for sightseeing vehicles and shall designate who may use them as such. No person shall park a specially designated vehicle under these rules and orders in any other place on any street other than in those zones designated below for said vehicles.

B. Sightseeing Vehicles shall be defined as dune tour operators, trolleys, tours and other similar services that are intended to provide primarily tourist activities rather than transportation services.

C. Sightseeing Vehicles shall only use reserved parking spaces designated by the Town pursuant to a permit issued by the Board of Selectmen. Such permits shall be issued on a competitive basis pursuant to a Request for Proposals. Permits will be issued based on evaluation criteria set forth in the Request for Proposals. Permits shall be issued for terms of five years and shall be revocable for cause after a public hearing. The minimum fee for such permits shall be \$1,000.00 per vehicle per year.

D. Six (6) spaces at the corner of Standish Street and Commercial Street shall be designated for permit holders of Sightseeing Vehicles from 8:00am to 9:00pm.

E. One (1) space in front of Town Hall, '260' Commercial Street shall be designated for permit holders of Sightseeing Vehicles from 6:00am to 9:30pm.

Copies of the full proposals are available at the Selectmen's Office. Comments on these proposals may be submitted in writing to the Board of Selectmen, 260 Commercial Street, Provincetown, MA 02657, or [ldougherty@provincetown-ma.gov](mailto:ldougherty@provincetown-ma.gov) until Wednesday, November 5, 2014 or in person at the hearing.

*Tom Donegan, Chairman  
Board of Selectmen*

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