Board of Selectmen



2016 Annual Traffic Hearing Results

The Provincetown Board of Selectmen held a public hearing on Tuesday, October 25, 2016, at 5:00 p.m. in the Judge Welsh room at Town Hall, 260 Commercial St. Provincetown, Massachusetts 02657 and then and there took the following actions on the below listed item proposals:

Citizen Proposals

- 1. Denied the request by Rob Costa to install speed bumps on Washington Avenue to reduce speeding, but instead voted to install pavement markings to "SLOW" traffic and to direct Staff to follow-up with determining a speed limit for Washington Street.
- 2. Approved a request by Stephen Katsurinis and Brandon Quesnell to restore the Loading and Unloading Zone on Commercial Street in front of 404 Commercial Street.
- 3. Denied a request by Mark Gallant to remove soft right hand turn lane at the intersection of Bradford Street Extension and Province Lands Road by installing jersey barriers so vehicles have to come to a complete stop before turning right onto Province Lands Road. They did however, vote to paint white *fog lines* where missing to define the pedestrian/bike path and to trim the vegetation at the intersection.
- 4. Approved a request by Mark Gallant to prohibit parking on the south side of Bradford Street east of Province Lands Road adjacent to 5 15 Bradford Street Extension. The further directed staff to require the adjacent property owner to remove private parking signs posted in the public way and to strip the pedestrian/bike path and to direct Staff to follow-up with an evaluation as to whether public parking might be added to this area in the future.
- 5. Tabled a request by Jay Gurewitsch to paint a crosswalk on Bradford Street from the curb cut at the Northwest corner of the intersection of Shank Painter Road and Bradford Street to the South side of Bradford Street directly in front of the picket fence. However, Staff was directed to consider a new crosswalk in this general vicinity within the design of the upcoming repaving project on Bradford Street between Carver and Pleasant

Streets, as well as remove the obsolete crosswalk in front of the Former Community Center.

- 6. Considered a request by Jay Gurewitsch and Rik Ahlberg for Provincetown 365 to install bike racks on public lands at the following recreation and municipal destinations in which they:
 - a) Voted to approve a bike rack at Gosnold Street Landing for 6 bikes
 - b) Voted to approve a bike rack at Police Station subject to the Police Chief's concurrence for 6 bikes next to stairs
 - c) Voted to approve the installation of 3 bike racks in the Johnson Street Lot by removing 3 revenue parking spaces in the northeast corner of the lot, specifics to be determined by Staff.
 - d) Denied a request to install bike racks in Lopes Square. However, requested Staff to report back with other possible locations in the area.
 - e) And approved a request to install signage along Commercial Street for new bike parking areas of 20 or more spaces.

Town Board Proposals

- 7. Approved a request by Herbie Hintze on behalf of the Provincetown Disability Commission to charge full price for handicap parking within the Municipal Parking Lots at MacMillan Pier and Grace Hall.
- 8. Denied a request by Rik Ahlberg on behalf of the Provincetown Bicycle Committee for additional signage for two way bike travel on Commercial Street.
- 9. Approved a request by Rik Ahlberg on behalf of the Provincetown Bicycle Committee to Amend Parking Regulations to add a fine for Obstructing Marked Bike Lane Group B Fines:

Obstructing Marked Bike Lane \$100

10. Tabled a request by Rik Ahlberg on behalf of the Provincetown Bicycle Committee add bicycle climbing lanes along Bradford Street, but did however, vote to direct Staff to evaluate the ability to accommodate bicycle climbing lanes in the design plans for the upcoming repaving of Bradford Street between Carver and Pleasant Streets, and to identify the impact on existing parking and alternatives.

Selectmen Proposals

11. Tabled a request by Selectmen Raphael Richter to block the sidewalk with a fence along North side of Bradford Street at Prince Street (Steps from Grace Hall Lot) to prevent pedestrians from walking down the north side of Bradford Street, but did however, support moving forward with the existing Capital Improvement Plan to reconstruct the intersection.

Staff Proposals

- 12. Approved a request by Parking Administrator Domenic Rosati to charge \$2.00/hr. for parking within the VMCC Parking Lot outside of normal business hours.
- 13. Approved a request by Rex McKinsey to remove two taxi spaces along the guardrail on Ryder Street Extension. (superseded by Item 14)
- 14. Approved a request by the Town Manager to relocated two taxi spaces along the guardrail on Ryder Street Extension to the North side of Ryder Street Extension in spaces previously reserved for Restroom Attendants and to dedicate two spaces in the MPL for Restroom Attendants.
- 15. Approved a request by DPW Director Richard Waldo to approve the Striping and Parking Plan for Phase 3 Commercial Street Reconstruction between Howland and Johnson Street, with the condition that Staff will evaluate the ability to add 2 additional parking spaces adjacent to 374 Commercial Street, 1 additional parking space adjacent to 382 Commercial Street and 1 additional parking space adjacent to 386-392 Commercial Street. And further, to investigate the right-of-way encroachment adjacent to 401 Commercial Street which removes two existing parking spaces across the street and to examine possible use of loading zones after noon.
- 16. Approved a request by the Town Manager to wave the parking fees for the month of April and to move the official parking season from April 1st to May 1st.

Raphael W. Richter, Chairman Board of Selectmen

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