PARKING and TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

PORTSMOUTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

CONFERENCE ROOM A

CITY HALL, MUNICIPAL COMPLEX, 1 JUNKINS AVENUE

Members of the public also had the option to join the meeting over Zoom.

8:30 AM June 6, 2024

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

Councilor Andrew Bagley called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM.

II. ATTENDANCE

Members Present:

Chairman Andrew Bagley

Vice Chair Steve Pesci

Public Works Director Peter Rice

Stefanie Casella, Planning Department

Deputy Police Chief Mike Maloney

Erica Wygonik (Z)

Fire Chief William McQuillen

Mark Syracusa

Mary Lou McElwain

Dave Allen (alternate)

City Staff Present:

Parking Director Ben Fletcher

City Engineer – Parking, Transportation and Planning Eric Eby

Associate Engineer Tyler Reece

III. FINANCIAL REPORT

[00:04:55] Peter Rice moved to accept the financial report dated April 30, 2024, seconded by Mary Lou McElwain. Motion carried 9-0.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

V. PRESENTATIONS

None

VI. NEW BUSINESS

(No public comment during Committee discussion without Committee approval.)

- **A.** [00:07:12] Taxi Stands, request to modify City Ordinance Chapter 7, Section 7A.408, to allow for taxi stands to revert to metered parking when no taxi licenses and medallions are issued by the City, by DPW. Peter Rice moved to approve changes to Chapter 7, Section 7A.408 as presented. Seconded by Mary Lou McElwain. Motion carried 9-0
- **B.** [00:09:16] Initial discussions about providing a car sharing operation, such as ZipCar, in the City. Peter Rice made a motion to request staff report back on alternatives, feasibility and opportunities for a car sharing program in the City. Seconded by Steve Pesci. Motion passed unanimously 9-0.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

A. [00:11:51] Hanover Street, report back on request for15-minute space near Vaughan Mall. Chief McQuillen moved to relocate 15-minute space on Hanover Street, near the intersection of Maplewood Avenue, to a location near the intersection with the Vaughan Mall. Seconded by Dave Allen. Motion carried 9-0.

VII. INFORMATIONAL

- A. [00:13:40] Police monthly accident report
- B. [00:18:41] Update on sidewalk project along Greenleaf Avenue and Lafayette Road
- **C.** [00:25:42] Update on Rail Trail access improvements on Islington Street near Vine Street and Barberry Lane
- **D.** [00:28:18] Bike corral locations
- **E.** [00:33:32] City road construction projects update

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

[00:38:43] Peter Rice moved to cancel the July meeting, seconded by Mary Lou McElwain

[00:39:12] Chairman Bagley indicated that we have received complaints regarding motorcycle noise. Deputy Chief Maloney spoke to the challenges of enforcement of noise ordinances with motorcycles.

[00:43:31] Steve Pesci requested that at the August meeting we discuss any state legislative changes that may impact parking and traffic. We would want to request that Jane Ferrini give a briefing.

[00:44:35] Deputy Chief Malony updated the committee on officers' use of e-bikes.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Bagley adjourned the meeting at 9:11 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Leila Birr Administrative Assistant Department of Public Works