

**CITY OF GLOUCESTER
TRAFFIC COMMISSION**

**A meeting was held on Thursday, September 29th, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.
in the third floor conference room at Gloucester City Hall.
The meeting opened at 6:05pm by Chairman Robert B. Ryan.**

Commission members in attendance included Anthony J. Bertolino and Michael Mucahey. In addition, others in attendance included Councilors Robert Whynott and Greg Verga. Residents attending were Russell Shields, Noreen Gillis, Sally Peek, Peter Lake and James Fialho.

AGENDA

ORDER #CC2011-039 (Councilor Mulcahey) Ordered that the GCO Sec. 22-270 (Parking Prohibited at All Times) be amended by:

DELETING: Green Street, northeasterly side, beginning at a point 163 feet from its intersection with Perkins Street, in a northwesterly direction thence in a northeasterly direction for a distance of 50 feet; and

ADDING: Green Street, northeasterly side, beginning at a point 113 feet from its intersection with Perkins Street, for a distance of 100 feet.

After a discussion, a MOTION was MADE, SECONDED and PASSED to APPROVE the ORDER.

ORDER #CC2011-040 (Councilor Mulcahey) Ordered that the GCO Sec. 22-291 (Tow Zones) be amended by

DELETING: Green Street, northeasterly side, beginning at a point 163 feet from its intersection with Perkins Street, in a northwesterly direction thence in a northeasterly direction for a distance of 50 feet; and

ADDING: Green Street, northeasterly side, beginning at a point 113 feet from its intersection with Perkins Street, for a distance of 100 feet.

After a discussion, a MOTION was MADE, SECONDED and PASSED to APPROVE the ORDER.

ORDER #CC2011-041 (Councilor Verga) Ordered that the O&A direct the Traffic Commission and Police Department to conduct a traffic analysis and report their recommendation on a speed limit in the Woodward Avenue area and report back to the O&A Committee.

After a discussion and review of the JAMAR Radar Recorder speed study for Woodward Avenue, the Commission voted unanimously to recommend to O & A and the City Council that the speed limit be set at 20 mph. The speed report showed that the 85th percentile speed on Woodward Avenue is 23 mph and the Mean (Average) speed is 17 mph. In addition, Woodward Avenue is extremely narrow and very curvy.

ORDER #CC2011-042 (Councilor Verga) Ordered that the O&A direct the Traffic Commission to revisit the recently installed 4 way stop signs at the intersection of Magnolia Avenue, Shore Road and Raymond Street to determine if any additional signage, painted stop signs and/or 'STOP' painted on roadway are required; and, if necessary, reversion back to amend GCO Sec. 22-269 (Stop Intersections) and/or Sec. 22-269 (Yield Intersections) to reflect the results of the TC recommendations to the O&A Committee.

After a lengthy discussion with Magnolia area residents, the Commission is recommending the following:

Ordered that the GCO Sec. 22-270 (**Stop intersections**) be amended by:

DELETING: Raymond Street where it meets Shore Road.

AND

Order that the GCO Sec. 22-269.1 (**Yield Intersections**) be amended by:

ADDING: Raymond Street on the southwest corner at its intersection with Shore Road.

It is important to note that subsequent to a Stop sign being approve and installed back in April of this year at the intersection of Raymond Street and Shore Road, it has been determined that a Yield sign at the intersection best serves the safety in the area.

It is further recommended that the word "SLOW" be painted on Raymond Street just before the crosswalk.

ROBERT B. RYAN, CHAIRMAN

LARRY INGERSOLL, SECRETARY