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CITY COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEE
Ordinances & Administration
Monday, January 3, 2011 – 6:30 p.m.
1st Fl. Council Conference Rm. – City Hall

AGENDA

(Items May Be Taken Out of Order)

1. *Continued Business:*

- A) CC2010-080 (Curcuru) Amend GCO Sec. 22-287 (Disabled veteran, handicapped parking) re: Vicinity of 197 Washington Street (Cont'd from 11/29/10)
- B) CC2010-082 (Verga) Speed limit signs and "Slow Children" sign re: Fuller Street (Cont'd from 11/29/10)
- C) Memorandum from Operations Manager-DPW re: rules and regulations for proposed dog park In the City of Gloucester (Cont'd from 11/29/2010)
- D) CC2010-083 (Mulcahey) Amend GCO Sec. 22-287 (Disabled veteran, handicapped parking) re: Vicinity of 4B Summit Street (**Cont'd to January 31, 2011**)
- E) CC2010-084 (Mulcahey/Curcuru) Review traffic flow and directions to alleviate congestion on Washington Street (**Cont'd to January 31, 2011**)

COMMITTEE

Councilor Sefatia Theken, Chair
Councilor Ann Mulcahey, Vice Chair
Councilor Bruce Tobey

Committee members – Please bring relevant documentation

Back-up and Supporting Documentation-all on file at the City Clerk's Office, City Hall

CC: Mayor Carolyn Kirk
Jim Duggan
Linda T. Lowe
Robert Ryan/Larry Ingersoll
Mark Cole
Police Chief M. Lane
Jamie Levie, Animal Control

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CITY OF GLOUCESTER
TRAFFIC COMMISSION

10 DEC 20 AM 8:25

A meeting will be held on Thursday December 16th, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.
at the third floor conference room at Gloucester City Hall

Please conduct your own site visits when convenient

Meeting opened at 6:02 p.m. by Chairman Robert Ryan. Also attending were members Larry Ingersoll, Anthony Bertolino and Michael Mulcahey. Also present, City Councilors Ann Mulcahey and Steven Curcuro.

AGENDA

This order was tabled at our last meeting.

Order #CC2010-068 (Councilor Hardy) Ordered that the Traffic Commission and the O&A Committee review the parking situation and traffic flow along Leonard Street from its intersection with Washington Street to its intersection with Rockholm to address the inability of public safety vehicles to provide rapid response to the far reaches of the Annisquam Village and Lands End.

Further, to advise what type of informational signage would be appropriate for posting at the beginning of the village intersection of Washington & Leonard Streets (near the utility pole in front of the church) that would alert trailer trucks not to go into the village as there is no turnaround, being a dead end street with no outlet.

Background: Leonard Street is the only way in or out of the village. Larger sized weddings at the Annisquam Church necessitates parking on both sides of narrow Leonard Street, which inhibits emergency vehicle access on a timely basis. Possible solutions include allowing parking on only one side of the street.

*(October Meeting) After a discussion and researching current parking ordinances in the area, a MOTION was MADE, SECONDED and PASSED to **TABLE** the order at this time after receiving a request from Councilor Hardy to do so.*

*(November Meeting) This matter was again **TABLED** until further information can be ascertained from Councilor Hardy.*

*(December Meeting) After research, it was learned that there is already a 'No Parking' ordinance in the books that covers the westerly side of Leonard Street from Bridgewater Street to Nashua Avenue. Signs would be needed to be installed to enforce this ordinance. This would help relieve the parking issues in the area during church events. After a discussion, a MOTION was MADE, SECONDED and PASSED to **APPROVE** a recommendation to have a sign installed at the beginning of Leonard Street that informs large trucks of the inability to turn around in the village. Suggested signage could be 'No*

Turnaround For Large Trucks'. The TC believes that these two recommendations would help alleviate the issues in the area.

NEW ORDERS

Order #CC2010-078 (Councilors Verga & Whynott) Ordered that the Traffic Commission investigate the need for a 'Blind Driveway' sign at 198 Concord Street for traffic coming from the direction of Route 128

The TC has found that there is already a 'Hidden Drive' sign installed in the area for drivers coming from the northerly direction. A MOTION was MADE, SECONDED and PASSED to APPROVE the placement of another sign for vehicles heading in a southerly direction. This sign could be installed on pole #1855 if needed.

Order #2010-080 (Councilor Curcuru) Ordered that GCO Sec 22-287 (Handicapped Parking) be amended by ADDING:

Washington Street, One handicapped parking space in the vicinity of #197

After a discussion, this matter was TABLED until the TC can speak to the requestor and also look into the ownership of the area suggested for the Handicapped Parking space. The requestor had notified the TC that he would be unavailable for several weeks.

Order #CC2010-082 (Councilor Verga) Ordered that speed limit signs be posted for the entire length of Fuller Street in Magnolia with a limit of 20 MPH.

Also, that a 'Slow Children' sign be posted at both ends of Fuller Street

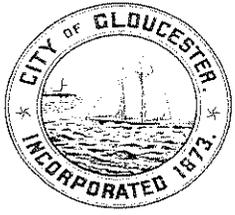
After a discussion, a MOTION was MADE, SECONDED and PASSED to APPROVE both recommendations in this order.

A short discussion was held with Councilors Mulcahey and Curcuru concerning their upcoming order looking into traffic in the lower Washington Street area and its side streets.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

ROBERT RYAN, Chairman

LARRY INGERSOLL, Secretary



**CITY OF GLOUCESTER 2010
CITY COUNCIL ORDER**

ORDER: #CC2010-080
Councillor Steve Curcuru

DATE RECEIVED BY COUNCIL: 11/23/10
REFERRED TO: O&A and Traffic Commission
FOR COUNCIL VOTE:

ORDERED that the GCO Sec. 22-287 entitled "Disabled veteran, handicapped parking" be amended by adding:

Washington Street, one (1) handicapped parking space in the vicinity of #197

And further

Ordered that this matter be referred to the Traffic Commission and the Ordinances and Administration Committee for review, recommendation and measurements.

Councillor Steve Curcuru



**CITY OF GLOUCESTER 2010
CITY COUNCIL ORDER**

ORDER:	#CC2010-082
Councillor	Greg Verga

DATE RECEIVED BY COUNCIL:	11/23/10
REFERRED TO:	TC & O&A
FOR COUNCIL VOTE:	

ORDERED that speed limit signs be posted for the entire length of Fuller Street in Magnolia with a limit of 20 MPH. Also, that a "Slow Children" sign be posted at both ends of Fuller Street. Note: this order was originally submitted July 28, 2009.

Councillor Greg Verga

CITY CLERK
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GLOUCESTER DOG PARK REGULATIONS
Effective December 1, 2010

10 DEC 15 AM 9:56

A. Parking Lot:

1. Hours of Operation

- a. Seasonal: Gates are open from April 1 to October 31 annually
Gates are closed from November 1 to March 31 annually
- b. Daily in Season: Gates opened at 8:00AM and locked at 9:00PM

2. Parking Fees

Parking fees may be collected from May 1 to September 30 annually, and shall be collected daily from Memorial Day to Labor Day, in accordance with the schedule of fees established in Appendix A.

B. General:

1. The park will be open from 6:00AM to 10:00PM
2. Dog Owner is responsible for damage or injury inflicted by your dog.
3. Neither volunteers nor the City of Gloucester nor any of its agents or agencies shall be liable for any injury or damage caused in the dog park
4. Maximum of three (3) dogs per adult permitted at one time
5. Children under the age of eight (8) are not permitted inside the dog park
6. Minors under the age of sixteen (16) must be accompanied by an adult
7. Aggressive behavior (from dogs or people) requires immediate removal from the park

C. Dogs:

1. All dogs must be leashed when entering and exiting the park
2. All dogs must wear a current license and rabies tag
3. All dogs must wear an ID tag that includes the dog's name, owner's name and owner's phone number
4. All dogs must be healthy and have current vaccinations
5. The following is prohibited:
 - a. Choke, prong or spike collars
 - b. Female dogs in heat
 - c. Puppies younger than 4 months of age
 - d. Excessive barking (Dog must be removed if barking continues after correction)
 - e. Unaltered dogs
 - f. Aggressive dog behavior (Dog must be removed if behavior continues after correction).
 - g. Food – except for small training treats
 - h. Toys – except for generic tennis balls
 - i. Food, smoking, alcoholic beverages, glass containers
 - j. Bicycles, strollers, skateboards, rollerblades, bare feet
 - k. Running, shouting, screaming or engaging in any behavior that antagonizes a dog

D. Dog Handlers must:

1. Must be sixteen (16) years of age or older
2. Clean up their dog(s) waste
3. Seal waste in plastic bag and dispose of in the appropriate container
4. Fill in any holes your dog(s) digs
5. Carry a leash in their hands at all times
6. Keep their dog(s) within sight and vocal commands at all times
7. Must be in control of their dog(s) at all times
8. Wait until double gated entry and exit area is free of all other dogs and people before entering area
9. Remove leash and choke, prong, or spiked collars in double gated entry before entering play area
10. Attach leash to dog in double gated exit area before exiting the park

*Violation of these regulations may result in citations, fines and loss of dog park use privileges

Appendix A

PARKING FEES ESTABLISHED

I. Parking fees

a. SFP

Passenger car, SW, mini-van, SUV	\$10.00 weekdays \$15.00 weekends, holidays
Motorcycle	\$5.00 each
Van (8+ seats)	\$15.00 weekdays \$20.00 weekends, holidays
Bus (13+ seats)	\$20.00 weekdays \$25.00 weekends, holidays
Bus (26+ seats)	\$25.00 weekdays \$30.00 weekends, holidays
Guest Voucher	\$5.00 discount off the full daily rate

Councilor Theken asked that Mr. Hale make his recommendation and work with Councilor Curcuru have his ward meeting on the location of the dog park. Prior to it coming before the City Council, Councilor Curcuru has to let the abutters know and discuss the matter with them. These rules and the location have to go to a public hearing so that it can go forward. They want to be sure the public is fully informed.

Councilor Tobey asked if Mr. Hale could get this to them in the next Mayor's Report which would get the matter moving forward.

Councilor Verga thought it should be a joint ward meeting with himself and Councilor Curcuru as well noting the park is in Councilor Curcuru's ward, but the abutters are in his.

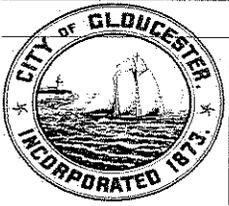
MOTION: On motion by Councilor Tobey, seconded by Councilor Verga, the Ordinances & Administration Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed that the matter of the rules and regulations for a proposed dog park in The City of Gloucester be continued to January 3, 2011 so that the following steps may be taken:

A) A specific site recommended by the DPW Director be made and forwarded through Mayors Report;

B) The materials referred to the O&A Committee from the November 23, 2010 City Council meeting regarding dog park rules be converted into regulatory language through a meeting with the proponents, Mark Cole, DPW Operations Manager, and Suzanne Egan, General Counsel;

C) That the CFO be requested to obtain and provide guidance on the extent to which the City's existing insurance company will extend to a dog park;

D) That Ward 4 & 5 Councilors reach out to the abutters of a site that has been indicated at Stage Fort Park so that all this information is available to the O&A Committee at its January 3, 2011 meeting.



**CITY OF GLOUCESTER 2010
CITY COUNCIL ORDER**

ORDER: #CC2010-083
Councillor Ann Mulcahey

DATE RECEIVED BY COUNCIL: 12/07/10
REFERRED TO: TC & O&A
FOR COUNCIL VOTE:

ORDERED that the GCO Sec. 22-287 entitled "Disabled veteran, handicapped parking" be amended by adding:

Summit Street, one handicapped parking space in the vicinity of #4B

And further

Ordered that this matter be referred to the Traffic Commission and the Ordinances and Administration Committee for review, recommendation and measurements.

Councillor Ann Mulcahey



CITY OF GLOUCESTER 2010 CITY COUNCIL ORDER

ORDER:	#CC2010-084
Councillor	Ann Mulcahey/Steve Curcuru

DATE RECEIVED BY COUNCIL:	12/07/10
REFERRED TO:	TC & O&A
FOR COUNCIL VOTE:	

ORDERED that the Ordinances and Administration Committee with the assistance of the Traffic Commission review the traffic flow and direction of traffic on the side streets impacting Washington Street in a northerly direction for the following side streets to alleviate congestion on Washington Street.

Gloucester Avenue, Easterly; Riverside Avenue, Easterly; Madison Avenue, Westerly; Knowlton Square, Easterly; Whittemore Street, Easterly; Grove Street, Westerly; Centennial Avenue, Easterly; Commonwealth Avenue, Easterly; Derby Street, Westerly; Railroad Avenue, Westerly; Pearl Sreet, Westerly; Addison Street, Westerly; Exchange Street, Easterly; Beacon Street, Easterly; Foster Street, Easterly, Pine Street, Westerly; Granite Street, Easterly; Orchard Street, Easterly; Washington Square, Easterly; Mansfield Street, Easterly; Middle Street, Westerly and all other affected side streets

Councillor Ann Mulcahey/Steve Curcuru

