

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
April 18, 2017

PRESENT: Chairperson Mixon, Members Randolph, Hegy, Carroll

ALSO PRESENT: City Administrator Volkert, City Engineer Schall, Director of Community Development Drew

Chairperson Mixon called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m. in the Common Council Chambers of Hartford City Hall, 109 North Main Street.

Roll Call – All members of the Committee were present.

Public Comment Period – None.

Repeal and Recreate Schedule "D" of Municipal Code – Schedule D of the Municipal Code designates one-way traffic in the City of Hartford. Ewing Drive is listed as a one-way street, but has been used as a two-way street for many years. The Police Department has reviewed this matter and has requested removal of Ewing Drive from Schedule "D". It was also noted that Schedule D incorrectly identified Chapter 340.0007 as one-way traffic when it is actually Chapter 340.0006.

MOTION by Alderperson Carroll, and seconded by Alderperson Hegy recommending to the Common Council an Ordinance repealing and recreating Schedule "D" of the Municipal Code relating to one-way traffic. MOTION CARRIED.

Tenant Parking – The owners of Second Chance Ventures are in the process of redeveloping the Hilt Building (10-14 South Main Street) and the Welsch Building (100-104 North Main Street). When complete, each building would have 5 high end apartments. Neither property has its own parking lot. They are seeking a change to Chapter 340 to add the South Main Street parking lot to the list of lots that allow overnight parking with a permit. This lot has 35 stalls and is located just south of the Pour House Bar. In order for the new apartments to be successful, convenient parking is needed.

The Committee discussed this at its March 28th meeting, At that time, the members asked staff to consider whether all downtown parking lots should be opened up to overnight parking, as well as whether one of the other lots should be closed to overnight parking if the South Main Street parking lot is opened to overnight parking. Based on the current and projected usage, staff does not believe that additional lots beyond the South Main Street lot need to be opened to overnight parking at this time. In addition, staff recommends against closing any of the other four lots to overnight parking. This would inconvenience the existing permit holders at the expense of new permit holders. With respect to plowing concerns for the South Main Street lot, staff recommends that the code be amended to read that overnight parking is allowed with a permit in the south row of the lot on odd days and in the north two rows of the lot on even days (after further review, the north two rows was changed to the center row only). Staff is also looking at raising the parking permit fee, and will bring a recommendation forward to the Finance &

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Personnel Committee and Common Council in May. Director of Community Development Drew read a letter from Danny Dulak, owner of Second Chance Ventures, asking that the Committee support the proposal.

MOTION by Alderperson Carroll, and seconded by Alderperson Randolph recommending to the Common Council an Ordinance amending Chapter 340 of the Hartford Municipal Code related to tenant parking. MOTION CARRIED.

Adjournment – MOTION by Alderperson Randolph, and seconded by Alderperson Carroll for adjournment. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,
Lori Hetzel, City Clerk

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Compiled by Pat Borlen, Deputy Clerk