Transportation Committee - Board of Representatives



Robert "Gabe" DeLuca, Chair Rodney Pratt, Vice Chair

Committee Report

Date: Thursday, September 29, 2016
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: Republican Caucus Room, 4th Floor, Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard

The Transportation Committee met at the above time and place. In attendance were Chair DeLuca and Vice Chair Pratt and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Di Costanzo, Franzetti, Moore, and Patterson. Absent or excused were Committee Member Reps. Giordano and Kolenberg. Also present were Reps. McMullen, Ryan and Fedeli; Ernie Orgera, Director of Operations; and Frank Fedeli, Customer Service Supervisor.

Chair DeLuca called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
¹ 1. T29.058	REVIEW; Status of the Residential Parking Permit Program.	Held 7-0-0
	09/07/16 - Submitted by Rep. Fedeli	

Rep. Fedeli said she understands that the Residential parking permit program has been on hold, and her constituents as well as other board members' constituents have inquired about this because of parking issues in her Stamford residential areas.

Mr. Orgera explained that the ordinance said that if someone asked for a residential parking permit program the City had to respond. A petition and survey was done and if 65% of the residents signed and agreed, they held a public hearing and if this was positive a residential parking permit program was then instituted. He said once instituted they found that the same cars would move to the next street causing the same process continuously. A sub-committee was organized to look at the Residential Parking permit program ordinance. Mr. Orgera asked Mr. Josh Benson to look over the current ordinance; he drafted an ordinance. Rep. Ryan stated that this program has been successful. Rep. Di Costanzo expressed concerns that the residential parking program is not sustainable in the long term, and will not solve the parking problems; it is like creating a private street scenario on a public street.

A motion to hold this item so the sub-committee could meet was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote (DeLuca, Pratt, Adams, Di Costanzo, Franzetti, Moore, and Patterson in favor).

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²2. T29.059 REVIEW; Enforcement of Provisions of <u>Code §231-16</u> **Held 7-0-0** Regarding the Removal of Abandoned Cars. 09/07/16 - Submitted by Rep. Fedeli

Rep. Fedeli explained that her intent of this item was not abandoned cars, but cars parking for a long time in one place without moving, although they are legally parked. It does not seem fair for the resident who lives in the house at which the car is parked in front.

Mr. Orgera discussed that one problem is that many apartment building developers are allowed to have one designated space per unit, and the other cars for that unit are parked on the street. Traffic Engineer Robert Zaitooni is drafting an ordinance requiring cars to be moved within a certain amount of days. Mr. Orgera suggested that the sub-committee that is looking into the residential parking permits should also look into this parking situation.

A motion to hold this item so the sub-committee could meet was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote (DeLuca, Pratt, Adams, Di Costanzo, Franzetti, Moore, and Patterson in favor).

As a Secondary Committee:

1. SC29.033 REVIEW <u>and public hearing</u>; Status of State Redevelopment of the Stamford Transportation Center and Surrounding Area. 02/03/16 – Submitted by Rep. Buckman

Chair DeLuca adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Robert "Gabe" Deluca, Chair

This meeting is on video.

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