Transportation Committee - Board of Representatives



Steven Kolenberg, Chair

Robert "Gabe" DeLuca,, Vice Chair

Committee Report

Date: Thursday, January 18, 2018
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. The following items are on the agenda: In attendance were Chair Kolenberg and Committee Member Reps. Di Costanzo, Giordano, Moore and Pendell. Absent or excused were Committee Member Reps. DeLuca and Wallace. Also present were Reps. Nabel and Patterson; Jim Travers, Traffic Bureau Chief; Felix Andreoni, Ann Crisci and Deborah Billington.

Chair Kolenberg called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

| Item No. | Description | Committee Action |
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| 1. <u>T30.006</u> | REVIEW; Overview of Transportation Bureau with Jim Travers, Transportation Bureau Chief. 01/02/18 – Submitted by President Quinones | Report Made |

Mr. Travers reviewed the <u>attached handout</u> with the Committee. Items discussed with the Committee included:

- The need for approval of grant funding from the Board
- The Traffic Department is on call 24/7
- The City received a \$5M grant to run fiber optic cable for traffic signals
- The lights in the Summer Street Garage were upgraded to LED with financing by Eversource and paid for itself within 1 year
- The change to a pay-by-plate system for pay stations
- Communications with residents
- The Residential Parking Permit program
- ¹2. T30.004 REVIEW; Progress of <u>Chapter 231, § 231-6.C of the</u> <u>Code of Ordinances</u> - 120 hour limit on parking. 12/14/17 – Submitted by Rep. Kolenberg and President Quinones

Mr. Travers explained that the program went into effect May, 2017. As of January 16, 2018:

- The City has have issued 511 citations for a value of \$25,000
- The public has had to be educated about the program
- When Citizens Services gets the call, the vehicle with the plate reader goes out and a photo is taken of the tire stem to see if the vehicle has moved

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- The program is reliant upon notifications by citizens; the City does not go out scanning the street for violations
- The timing starts when the plate reader is used on the vehicle
- If the vehicle has not moved, a ticket is issued and the Police Department is notified to tow the vehicles
- The appeals are under the Civil Citation process, which is listed on the ticket
- The Transportation Bureau should do a large scale evaluation of the program after 1 year (in May, 2018)

Chair Kolenberg adjourned the meeting at 8:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Steven Kolenberg, Chair

This meeting is on video.