



Transportation Committee - Board of Representatives

David Watkins, Chair

Terry Adams, Vice Chair

Committee Report

Date: Tuesday, January 18, 2022

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: *This meeting was held remotely on www.zoom.com.*

The Transportation Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Watkins, Vice Chair Adams and Committee Member Reps. Di Costanzo, Gilbride, Grunberger, Moore and Sandford. Also present were Reps. Moore, Sherwood, and Summerville; and Frank Petise and Luke Buttenwieser, Transportation, Traffic and Parking Bureau.

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

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
1. T31.002	REVIEW; Parking of Passenger Cars on Residential Streets by Commercial Enterprises and Their Customers and Employees. 01/05/22 – Submitted by Reps. Watkins, Sherwood and Adams	Held 7-0-0

Mr. Petise discussed Item No. 1 with the Committee as follows:

- There are 3 general groups of commercial users of streets:
 - retail enterprises' customers using on-street parking
 - auto shops without enough space on site for all their vehicles which tend to shuffle cars around
 - if the parking is unrestricted, this is not a violation,
 - if there is a violation, the vehicle owner is not notified
 - a resident with a commercial vehicle for their own use who parks on the street
 - having multiple commercial vehicles might be a zoning violation
- Verifying that a vehicle is parked for more than two hours requires multiple visits
- The issues created by commercial vehicle parking on the street are inadequate parking for residents and customers of other commercial businesses
- Possible solutions could be timed parking or residential parking permit districts
- Some commercial businesses have employees who park on the street all day
- In some cases, the issue seems to be one of zoning, rather than traffic enforcement
- Could the City find off-site parking for the businesses with multiple vehicles parked during the day
- The tools available to address this are crude; most neighborhoods do not want residential parking permits
- It might be helpful to create a dialogue among residents and business owners to address parking issues

A motion to hold Item No. 1 was made, seconded, and approved by unanimous voice vote (Reps. Watkins, Adams, Di Costanzo, Gilbride, Grunberger, Moore and Sandford in favor).

Chair Watkins adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
David Watkins, Chair

This meeting is on [video](#).