



Transportation Committee - Board of Representatives

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

Committee Report

Date: Thursday, December 29, 2016

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Republican Caucus Room, 4th Floor, Government Center, 888
Washington Boulevard

The Transportation Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Vice Chair Pratt and Committee Member Reps. Di Costanzo, Franzetti and Patterson. Absent or excused were Chair DeLuca and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Giordano, Kolenberg and Moore. Also present were Rep. Zelinsky and Ernie Orgera, Director of Operations.

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
1. T29.060	RESOLUTION <u>and public hearing</u> ; Approving a Lease Agreement between the City of Stamford and Bedford Street Merchants for use of the Bedford Street lot as a Municipal Parking Lot for Metered Parking. 10/06/16 - Submitted by Mayor Martin 10/25/16 - Approved by Planning Board 11/10/16 – Held by Board of Finance	No Action Taken

Vice Chair Pratt opened the public hearing. There being no members of the public present wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed. Mr. Orgera explained that

- The Bedford Street Merchants own this property
- The City controls 140 parking spaces on this property, which are metered
- The City does not control the property adjacent to the buildings
- In exchange for these spaces, the merchants have 157 free spaces in the Bedford Street garage for their employees and customers
- This lease has been in existence for 15 years
- The City maintains the lot and meters and keeps the lot illuminated
- The City has an easement through the property
- This lease is retroactive to 1/2015 because that is when the prior lease terminated
- The Police will patrol when manpower exists

Since there was no quorum, the Committee took no action on this item.

2. [T29.063](#) ORDINANCE for publication; Amending Chapter 231, Vehicles And Traffic, Section 6, Prohibited Stopping, Standing Or Parking, To Prohibit Parking On City Streets For More Than Seventy-Two Hours. **No Action Taken**
11/15/16 – Submitted by Mayor Martin

Mr. Orgera explained that:

- There are vehicles parked on City streets for extended periods of time; the City would like to be able to move them in order to clean streets and enable residents to find parking spaces
- The vehicles would be “chalked” electronically, with the license plate noted and a photo taken

Committee members noted that:

- 72 hours may be too short for people who go on vacation or are in the hospital
- The location of the vehicles might have to be consistently monitored over the course of the period (e.g. every day)
- It would probably take longer than 72 hours to get the vehicle towed, since there is a 24 hour notice requirement and then the vehicle would need to be towed
- There was a 48 hour policy previously which was revoked due to resident complaints

Since there was no quorum, the Committee took no action on this item.

Vice Chair Pratt adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Rodney Pratt, Vice Chair

(Due to technical difficulties, the video is not attached)