



CITY OF CONCORD

REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Matthew R. Walsh, Director of Redevelopment, Downtown Services, and Special Projects

DATE: January 13, 2020

SUBJECT: Storrs Street Meter Time Limits Near Dixon Avenue

Recommendation:

Set the attached ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances; Title II, Traffic Code; Chapter 18, Parking, Article 18-3, Parking Meters for public hearing on March 9, 2020.

Background:

In accordance with Resolution #3043, which was adopted by the City Council on June 17, 2019, the City is installing 10 hour parking meters at newly created on-street parking spaces on Storrs Street near Dixon Avenue. The meters will be operational in early January 2020.

Discussion:

On December 18, 2019, Tom Balon, owner of the Concord Antique Gallery, requested that a limited 3-hour meter zone be created in conjunction with parking meters on Storrs Street near Dixon Avenue. Specifically, Mr. Balon expressed concerns that the 10 hour time limit for these meters may negatively impact his antique gallery, which recently relocated to 8-14 Dixon Avenue.

The Parking Committee reviewed Mr. Balon's request on December 23, 2019 and voted to recommend that the City Council create a limited 3-hour meter zone for this section of Storrs Street. The Parking Committee noted that creation of a 3-hour zone would be consistent with the City's approach for metering Main Street, as well as related side streets between State and Storrs Street, which are 3-hour meter zones due to abutting retail establishments.

If approved, the attached Ordinance would establish a 3 hour metered parking zone on the west side of Storrs Street, beginning at Dixon Avenue and continuing north for a distance of 150 feet to the Loudon Road overpass. A total of 5 parking spaces will be 3 hour meters.

All other metered parking spaces on Storrs Street will remain 10 hour spaces.