



CITY OF CONCORD

REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

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

DATE: October 27, 2020

SUBJECT: West Street Parking at South State Street Intersection

Recommendation:

Accept this report and set the attached ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances; Title II, Traffic Code; Chapter 18, Parking, Article 18-1, Stopping, Standing and Parking, Section 18-1-6, Parking Prohibited at All Times in Designated Places, Schedule I(a) (No Parking, Stopping or Standing at All Times) for public hearing on December 14, 2020.

Background:

During the August 24, 2020 meeting of the Parking Committee, Councilor Kenison raised concerns relative to traffic movements and parking at the West Street / South State Street intersection. Upon discussion, the Parking Committee requested that the City's Transportation Engineer review the intersection.

Discussion:

During the Parking Committee's September 28, 2020 meeting, Karen Hill, the City's Transportation Engineer, presented her findings and recommended the following actions, as shown on the attached plan.

- Re-stripe the approaching westbound thru/left lane on West Street so as to reduce its width from 15' to 12'. This modification will push traffic over and better align the lane with proposed striping on the west side of the intersection.
- Prohibit stopping, standing, and parking on the south side of West Street, west of the South State / West Street intersection, for distance of approximately 83' between South State and the first driveway west of the intersection. This proposal would shift traffic over and away from the parking lane.

Upon review, the Parking Committee voted unanimously that the recommendations be implemented. Restriping of the intersection does not require City Council approval. However, removal of on-street parking on West Street immediately west of the intersection does require approval of the attached ordinance.