



# CITY OF CONCORD

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## REPORT TO MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

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

**DATE:** June 22, 2020

**SUBJECT:** Long Pond Road No Parking Ordinance

### **Recommendation:**

Accept the following 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 (Parking Prohibited at All Times) for a 580' section of Long Pond Road near the Marjory Swope Park conservation area for public hearing on August 10, 2020.

### **Background:**

On March 22, 2020, Phil Donovan, resident at 42 Long Pond Road, contacted the City with concerns about on-street parking in the area of the Marjory Swope Park. Marjory Swope Park is a conservation property which features several popular hiking trails. During busy times, the limited supply of on-site parking reaches capacity. Consequently, visitors resort to on-street parking. On-street parking is currently permitted on both sides of Long Pond Road. During especially busy times, parking on both sides of the road results in a single vehicular travel lane, thereby impeding the flow of traffic and creating a safety hazard. Long Pond Road is approximately 22-24' wide at this location.

On-street parking also impeded sight distance for vehicles exiting the driveway at 42 Long Pond Road. A copy of Mr. Donovan's request to restrict parking at this location is attached.

Upon receiving Mr. Donovan's request, Karen Hill, City Transportation Engineer, reviewed this issue. Based upon her review, and in recognition the Parking Committee was not scheduled to meet in March, City Administration implemented an interim emergency no parking zone for a 580' +/- section on the east side of Long Pond Road. This interim measure was put in place until the Parking Committee could meet to formally review this issue, and determine whether any permanent ordinances should be recommended to the City Council concerning this situation.

### **Discussion:**

The Parking Committee met on April 27, 2020 to review this request and voted unanimously to recommend that the City Council approve the attached Ordinance prohibiting parking at all times along the east side of Long Pond Road for a distance of 125' to the south, and 445' to the north, of the driveway located at 42 Long Pond Road, as shown on the attached plan. Please note that the driveway is approximately 10', and therefore, the no parking zone along the east side of Long Pond will be approximately 580'.