

CITY OF CONCORD

 $New\ Hampshire$'s $Main\ Street^{ ext{TM}}$ Community Development Department

REPORT TO MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

From: Timothy J. Thompson, AICP, Assistant Director of Community Development

Date: October 14, 2025

Subject: Parking Ordinance Amendments (Accessible Parking, Time Limit Clarifications)

Recommendation:

Set the attached ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances; Title II, Traffic Code; Chapter 18, Parking, Article 18-1, Stopping, Standing and Parking, Section 18-1-16, Handicapped Parking, Schedule XVIII, for public hearing on November 10, 2025.

Background:

The Parking Ordinance references to handicapped (typically described in current regulatory language as "accessible") parking spaces was never updated following the redesign and construction of the Main Street project. Additionally, ambiguity exists in some locations to the applicable time zone restrictions for these spaces.

Discussion:

Staff has coordinated with General Services and field verified the City's on-street accessible spaces and those accessible spaces located on City surface parking lots. The attached ordinance updates Schedule XVIII to both reflect the actual public accessible spaces and to specify the applicable time limit for use of these spaces where applicable.

The Parking Committee, at their August 25, 2025 meeting, provided staff with direction to proceed directly to the City Council with these amendments once they were prepared.