

# **MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

The Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting of the City of Stamford was held remotely on Wednesday, March 31, 2021, at 10:30 a.m.

Chair Frank Petise, called the meeting to order at 10:30 A.M.

Present at the meeting were:

Orazio Cirelli  
Sgt. Kevin Keenan  
Mark McGrath  
Gary Peterson  
Capt. Sue Bretthauer  
Luke Bittenwieser  
Thomas Madden  
Dan Colleouri  
Mani Poola

Winston Mckenzie  
Stephen Frycz  
Fire Marshal, Walter Seely  
Thomas Turk  
Frank Petise  
Capt. Barcello  
Joe Coscarelli  
Gail Mcrae

Guests:

Illario Altamura– That's Amore Italian Street Festival  
Lynne Colatrella - D.S.S.D. Events  
Chris Compo – crane set up in the road @ 61 Atlantic Street.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

## **CONSENT AGENDA:**

### **Illario Altamura / Parachute's Concerts, LLC. – That's Amore Italian Street Festival**

Illario Altamura appeared before the committee to request the committee to approve the That's Amore Italian Street Festival event on Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, and Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup> from 12 pm – 8 pm. Set-up starts Friday, October 8<sup>th</sup> @ 12:00 a.m. And Clean-up Ends Sunday, 11:30 p.m. 3500 Adults and 1500 Children.

### **Information: Key changes**

- No longer a free event.
- Tickets will be pre-sold.
- The event will be for 2 days to allow for CDC spacing.

### **Committee Requirements:**

- Submit a logistic plan to Fire Marshal, Walter Seely for the proposed cooking set-up.
- Coordinate a meeting with the Fire & Health Departments for occupancy.
- Set up a meeting with the districted police officer to discuss police presence.

- Schedule a meeting with D.S.S.D to notify businesses within the vicinity of the event.
- Coordinate with Orazio for “Emergency No Parking Signs”, Barricades and VMS messaging boards.
- Contact Parks & Recs for approval to use Columbus Park.

As part of the consent agenda, a motion was made to table the item, seconded, and approved by a unanimous voice vote, contingent upon completion of the Traffic Advisory Committee requirements.

### **Lynn Colatrella- D.S.S.D. 2021 Events**

Ms. Colatrella appeared before the committee to request the committee to approve the D.S.S.D. 2021 Events.

### **Arts & Crafts on Bedford**

- Saturdays June 12<sup>th</sup>, August, 7<sup>th</sup> and October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021

### **Information:**

- All three events are free
- 300 attendees for right now.
- All barriers for Streateries to remain in place.
- Received approval from Parks & Recs.

### **Proposed Closures:**

- Bedford from Broad to Walton Place.
- Forest Street will close at CVS.
- Spring closed at Bedford Street

### **Committee Requirements:**

- Ms. Colatrella must coordinate with Fire marshal Sealy to establish COVID occupancy.
- Contact Joe Coscarelli for an Obstruction permit.

### **Make Music Day-** Monday, June 21, 2021

### **Information:**

- No Street Closings (Events will be held at the library plaza, and Old Town Hall).

### **Bark in the Park -5<sup>th</sup> Annual Doggy Festival Event-** in Latham Park- Sunday, June 27, 2021

### **Proposed Closures:**

- Prospect Street from Chase Bank to Forest and Walton
- Bedford will remain open.

**City Challenge- Urban Obstacle Race** – Mill River Park and various downtown streets  
-October 17, 2021

**Information:**

- Pre-sale tickets
- Obtain CTDOT permit to close
- Coordinate a Logistics meeting with various departments.

**Proposed Route:**

- Starting from Mill River Park
- Out of Mill River onto Clinton Avenue
- Right onto Tresser Blvd.
- Turn right onto West Main Street / Mill River Street.
- Turn right onto West Broad Street.
- Turn right onto Washington Blvd.
- Turn left onto West Park Place onto Main Street
- Continue straight up the mall ramp
- Turn around at the mall ramp
- To Main Street, onto Columbus Park
- Turn right onto Washington Blvd.
- Turn left onto Broad Street and end at Mill River Park

**Proposed Closures:**

- Washington Blvd (.between Broad and Main).
- Main Street.
- West Park Place.

**Committee Requirements::**

- Obtain a State permit for Washington Blvd.

**Farmers Market** – Spring Street Parking Lot - June 12<sup>th</sup> – October 30<sup>th</sup>

**Information:**

- Reserve Spring Street Parking for trucks.
- Spring Street will remain open.
- Coordinate a Logistics meeting with various departments.

**Proposed Route:**

- Starting from Mill River Park.
- Out of Mill River onto Clinton Avenue.
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- Turn right onto West Main Street / Mill River Street.
- Turn right onto West Broad Street.
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- Turn left onto West Park Place onto Main Street
- Continue straight up the mall ramp.
- Turn around at the mall ramp.
- To Main Street, onto Columbus Park.

- Turn right onto Washington Blvd.
- Turn left onto Broad Street and end at Mill River Park.

### **Proposed Closures:**

- Washington Blvd (.between Broad and Main).
- Main Street.
- West Park Place.

### **Committee Requirements**

- Coordinate a meeting with Orazio Cirelli to post parking spaces with ENP signs.
- Contact Gail Mcrae in the health department to assist with the new permit system.
- Upload in VPC system-specific days of the farmers market.

### **Giant Balloon Inflation Party and The Parade Spectacular** – 11/20/21 – 11/21/21

### **Information:**

- On hold until further notice due to COVID Restrictions.

### **Height & Lights** – Repelling Santa –December 5, 2021

### **Information:**

- On hold until further notice due to COVID Restrictions.

As part of the consent agenda, a motion to approve the D.S.S.D. 2021 Events was made seconded and approved by a unanimous voice vote. Contingent upon the completion of the Traffic Advisory Committee requirements.

### **Lynne Colatrella / D.S.S.D.- Streateries Permit Amendment**

Ms. Colatrella appeared before the committee to request the committee to approve the Streateries permit amendment for outdoor dining and installation of curbside flags.

### **Information:**

- The Cask Republic approved for outdoor dining in Kiwannis park and permission was given by Park Square West.
- In-Thai approved for (1) parking space for outdoor dining and will relocate the feather flag to the pole in front of Fairfield Pizza.
- Sushi X approved for (1) parking space for outdoor dining and will need a minimum of three water barriers.
- Atlantic Pizza and the restaurant next door are both approved for the curbside flag for take-out and delivery.

As part of the consent agenda, a motion to approve the Streateries permit amendments were made, seconded, and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

## **REGULAR AGENDA:**

### **Sam Thompson/ Frank Compo & Sons Inc.**

Sam Thompson appeared before the committee on behalf of Chris Compo to renew Obstruction permit # OB-21-30 to set up a crane in the road at 61 Atlantic Street.

#### **Duration of project:**

- Crane set-up: on Atlantic Street southbound
- Start date: April 18, 2021 (Sunday)
- From 6:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m (worst case ends at 3:00 p.m.)

#### **Closures:**

Blocking the SB side of Atlantic Street travel and parking lanes.  
Detour on lower Summer Street and Greyrock.Place.  
Atlantic Street: From Broad to Main.

#### **Requirements:**

- Post and bag the west side of Atlantic Street, between Broad & Main.
- Submit revised detour plan and coordinate with the police department to determine police detail.
- Submit revised detour plan via email to Frank Petise for approval before working.
- Provide a contingency plan in case of inclement weather
- Contact Winston to obtain a Street Obstruction permit.
- Contact Orazio Cirelli, Traffic Maintenance Foreman, a minimum of 72 Hours in advance for the posting of Emergency No Parking Signs. Specify the location and the time frame of work.
- Contact the Cashiering & Permitting Dept. a minimum of 72 hours advance to purchase meter bags.

As part of the regular agenda, a motion to approve the crane pick and lane closures were made, seconded, and passed unanimously by voice vote, contingent upon the contractor adhering to the TAC recommended requirements.

### **Mani Poola / City of Stamford 2-hr Time Zone on Shippan and Magee**

Mani appeared before the committee to approve the 2-hr time zone on Shippan and Magee.

- 1-hr for a metered zone (section in front of Cummings Park)
- 2-hr parking for the business area
- 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. – for times

A was made to approve the parking time zone, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

### **ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

A Motion was made by Capt. Bretthauer, seconded, by Mark McGrath and passed unanimously by voice vote to suspend the rules to address the items that were not on the agenda.

### **Leila Nurse- The Good Nurse Film (Beal Street)**

#### **Information:**

April 20<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> No weekend filming

7 am to 8 pm

#### **Closures:**

- Remove cars on Beal, Congress, and the north side of Burwood.
- Park trucks on Burwood.

#### **Committee Requirements:**

- Coordinate with Orazio for ENP postings, dates, times & locations.
- Reach out to church for additional parking.
- Coordinate with Winston or Joe to obtain an obstruction permit.
- The Applicant will send out resident letters to notify neighbors of dates, times, and locations of filming.
- Joe will add to the utility agenda because of a possible conflict with Eversource repaving of Fairfield between Barry Place.
- Coordinate with Sgt. Keenan to determine police detail.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously by voice vote to approve the street closures contingent upon Ms. Nurse completing the committee requirements.

### **Eric Anderson / Eversource – Install Main and District Regulator Station**

Eric Anderson appeared before the committee to request approval for the detour plan for street closures to install a main and District Regulator Station.

#### **Duration of Project:**

- The regulator will start in June/July – (2-month project) – will not block traffic
- Gas Main 2 ½ Weeks (Will block traffic)

#### **Information:**

- Install a Gas District Regulator at the intersection of Knapp & Lawton Avenue.
- Install a 1200' plastic 6" pipe from Mulberry down on Brundage and Knapp

**Closures:**

- Brundage and Knapp closed except for local traffic and emergency vehicles.

**Committee Requirements:**

- Coordinate a meeting with Ron Markey before removing and replacing trees.
- Bollards will be required.
- Submit a sequencing plan and a revised detour plan to include bollards and email to Frank Petise for approval before the start of work.
- Restoration issues to be discussed with the Engineering and TTP departments.
- Per Winston McKenzie, a representative from Eversource must attend the utility meeting for updates on the project.
- Coordinate with Orazio Cirelli, Traffic Maintenance for ENP postings on effective roads.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously by voice vote to approve the detour plan contingent upon Mr. Anderson completing the committee requirements.

**PENDING MINUTES:**

Review and approval of March 31, 2021 Minutes.

As there was no further business, A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 12:30 p.m. and carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted  
Crystal Mitchell  
April 21, 2021