

**MINUTES OF THE COHOES TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING HELD  
ON MONDAY MARCH 21, 2022 IN THE COMMON COUNCIL  
CHAMBERS OF COHOES CITY HALL AT 3:00 PM**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chairman Paul Johnston  
City Planner Joseph Seman-Graves  
Fire Chief Joseph Fahd  
Lieutenant John Shanahan  
Commissioner Stephen Hennessey

**ALSO PRESENT:** Theresa Flatley, Recording Secretary

**CONSIDER THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 28, 2022 MEETING**

Chairman Johnston asked if there were any comments, questions or concerns regarding the minutes as presented. As there were no questions, concerns or comments, Chief Fahd made a motion to approve the minutes. Lieutenant Shanahan seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. All were in favor. The motion passed unanimously.

**CONSIDER THE APPROVAL OF STREET CLOSURES FOR THE MOHAWK  
HUDSON RIVER MARATHON AND HANNAFORD HALF MARATHON ON  
OCTOBER 9, 2022**

This request was submitted by Barbara Sorrel of the *Hudson Mohawk Road Runners Club*. Chairman Johnston explained that Ms. Sorrell is looking to have Bridge Street and Lincoln Avenue between Alexander Street and Saratoga Street closed as well as a 5' portion of a lane closure on the east side of Saratoga Street from Bridge Street to the southern city line closed to traffic for their race on October 9, 2022. Additionally, she is requesting no parking during the race hours in front of *Saratoga Sites*. These closures would be from 8:00 AM to 12:30 PM on Sunday October 9, 2022. These are the identical closures that were presented to us last year.

Historically, the Commission has approved this request in previous years. The Chairman's recommendation was to again approve the request contingent on the applicant having satisfactory insurance and receiving a permit from the City.

Chief Fahd made a motion to approve the request for the road closures. Lieutenant Shanahan seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. All were in favor. The motion passed unanimously.

**CONSIDER THE INSTALLATION OF A NO STOPPING HERE TO CORNER SIGN ON  
COLUMBIA STREET AT WALNUT STREET**

This request was submitted by Chairman Johnston. The Chairman stated that the existing sign at this location, just west of Walnut Street and adjacent to the existing

crosswalk is a *No Parking Here To Corner* sign. It was installed when the Bevan Street crosswalk was relocated to its current location.

Just west of this sign are additional *No Stopping* signs that were installed to provide a safe and orderly flow of traffic during *Middle School* dismissal times. This combination of signs sends a mixed message to motorists. Additionally, the Bevan Street crossing guard has informed the Chairman that motorists are ignoring the *No Parking* sign even at his request to move.

The Chairman's recommendation was to remove the existing *No Parking* sign and install the more restrictive *No Stopping Here To Corner* sign on Columbia Street in accordance with Attachment "B" to the agenda.

Chief Fahd made a motion to install a *No Stopping Here To Corner* sign on Columbia Street in accordance with Attachment "B" to the agenda. Joseph Seman-Graves seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. All were in favor. The motion passed unanimously.

**CONSIDER THE APPROVAL OF A DEDICATED PARKING SPACE AT 67 REMSEN STREET FOR CDTA'S CAR SHARE PROGRAM**

This request was submitted by *CDTA*. They are requesting that the current electric vehicle charging station and parking space in front of #67 Remsen Street be dedicated solely for use by them for their *Carshare* program.

City Planner Joseph Seman-Graves discussed with the Members various details of how *CDTA's* program would function.

Joseph Seman-Graves made a motion to approve the parking space and charging station in front of #67 Remsen Street solely for use by *CDTA's Carshare* program. Chief Fahd seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. All were in favor. The motion passed unanimously.

Since there was no further business on the agenda, Chairman Johnston stated that the next meeting of the *Traffic Commission* would be on April 18, 2021 at 3:00 PM.

Chairman Johnston made a motion to adjourn. Joseph Seman-Graves seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. All were in favor. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 3:11 PM.