AGENDA: TSC 6/2/14

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Staff Report:

- Mid-block pedestrian crossings are currently provided on New Hampshire Street in the 600, 800 and 900 blocks; however, at each of these locations, the street width was reduced in order to shorten the crossing time for pedestrians and to provide better sight distance for both pedestrians and motorists.
- 2. Due to the drainage pattern along New Hampshire Street, it would require the removal of approximately 10 on-street parking spaces in order to reduce the width of the street and maintain drainage (Option No. 1).
- 3. An alternative would be to maintain the gutter along both sides of New Hampshire Street and to construct islands to reduce the width of the street (Option No. 2); this would require the removal of approximately four (4) on-street parking spaces.

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Woosley reviewed the information provided in the staff report.

Public Comment:

Stephen Maceli, 1031 New Hampshire Street: I think my letter was pretty clear; I don't have too much to add; after receiving the possible options from staff, I would say that sacrificing 10 parking spaces on that block is something we just can't do and drainage isn't too good now; I just wanted to have a conversation to see if there were viable options; I think it would be great for our block, but, it isn't something we have to have if it means creating other problems; I know that there will be more development in the block in the next few years.

Commission Discussion:

Commissioner Hoskins asked if Maceli owned the parking lot on the east side of the street; Maceli advised that he leases the lot.

Commissioner Rothrock: I would be tempted to say no at the moment, but, in the long-term, as more development takes place, there will be a need and may be able to be provided with re-development. It seems like a good idea whose time has not yet come.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER ROTHROCK, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER RUSSELL, TO RECOMMEND DENYING THE REQUEST TO ESTABLISH A MID-BLOCK PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ON NEW HAMPSHIRE STREET BETWEEN 10 THE STREET & 11 STREET; THE MOTION CARRIED, 8-0.

David Woosley

From: Steve Maceli <Steve@macelis.com>
Sent: Friday, May 02, 2014 8:26 AM

To: David Woosley

Cc: Lara Komosa; Kasey Dietrich; Steve Maceli

Subject: Possible crosswalk on 1000 block of New Hampshire St.

Hello,

About 10 years ago when I opened Maceli's Banquet Hall on New Hampshire St., I called Mike Wildgen and asked that the parking space in front of my front steps be removed to make drop offs and pickups easier. He granted that request and also asked if I thought a crosswalk was necessary. At the time I did not think the block needed one as there was little activity in the block. After 10 years, times have changed. The number of events at Maceli's have quadrupled and Maceli's now rents the Allen Press lots across the street. The block will continue to change with the eventual redevelopment of the Allen Press property.

Over the past decade we have also seen the installation of crosswalks on 3 other blocks of NH by the LJW building, the Farmers' Market and the Art Center. What would be the possibility for you all to evaluate the 1000 block for a similar crosswalk? There is already a handicap ramp midblock that would serve the block well. I thank you in advance your consideration.

Sincerely,

Steve Maceli Maceli's Banquet Hall & Catering



