

PORTSMOUTH
PARKING & TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
8:00 A.M. – AUGUST 2, 2018
CITY HALL – CONFERENCE ROOM A

ON-SITE COMMITTEE: Please meet on Tuesday, July 31st at 8:00 A.M. in the upper parking lot at City Hall, 1 Junkins Avenue, to view the following locations:

- Brewster Street at Islington Street
 - 30 Sudbury Street
 - Pleasant Street at Congress Street
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AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES

IV. FINANCIAL REPORT

No financial report this month. Year-end report to be provided in September.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT (15 MINUTES)

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Request for a loading zone on Brewster Street, by The Kitchen. **Sample motion: Move to approve time restricted loading zone on Brewster Street, north of Islington Street.**
- B. Request to reaffirm parking restriction on both sides of Hill Street between Bridge Street and Autumn Street, by Martin Burns. **Sample motion: Move to prohibit parking along both sides of Hill Street between Bridge Street and Autumn Street.**
- C. Relocate motorcycle parking spaces in Market Square from east side of Pleasant Street to the west side of Pleasant Street. **Sample motion: Move to designate first three spaces on west side of Pleasant Street closest to Market Square as motorcycle parking only from April 1 through November 30, and prohibit motorcycle parking in the first three spaces on the east side of Pleasant Street closest to Market Square.**
- D. Request for a handicap parking space at 30 Sudbury Street, by Randle Wright. **Sample motion: Move to designate parking space on south side of Sudbury Street in front of #30 Sudbury Street as Handicap Parking Only.**

- E. Reinstall NO TURN ON RED signs at the intersection of Middle Street, Miller Avenue and Summer Street. **Sample motion: Move to prohibit right turns on red at the intersection of Middle Street, Miller Avenue and Summer Street.**
- F. Two hour time limit on tennis court and playground parking spaces in South Mill Pond lot. **Sample motion: Move to restrict 9 parking spaces nearest the tennis courts, and the 7 parking spaces currently designated as Playground Parking Only in the South Mill Pond parking lot, to 2 hour parking time limit.**

VII. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Report back: Langdon Street parking changes.
- B. Report back: Chairman Robert's parking space suggestions.

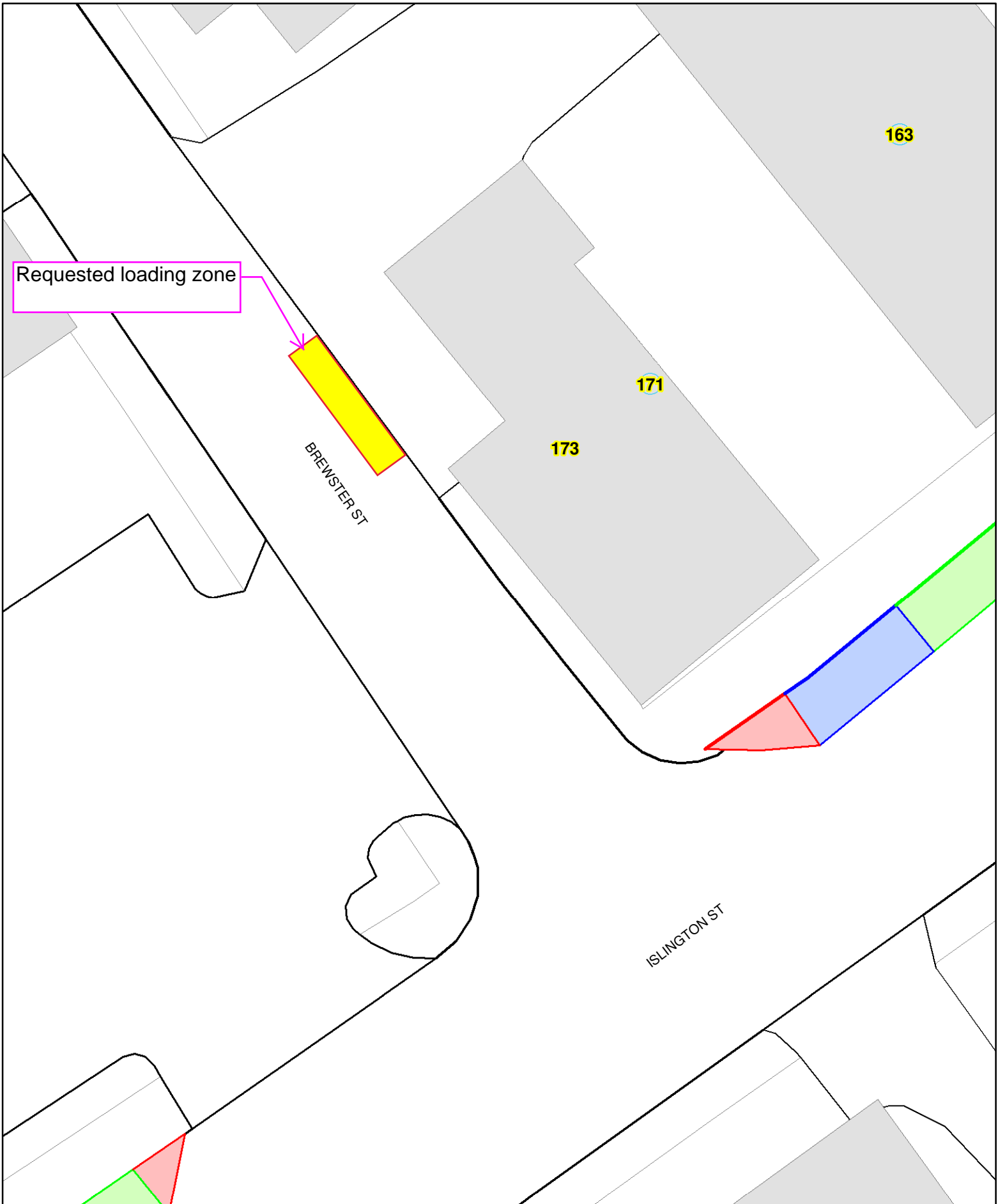
VIII. INFORMATIONAL

- A. Echo Avenue closed on July 20, 2018.
- B. Quarterly accident report.
- C. PTS open action items.

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. Possible site visit time change.

X. ADJOURNMENT



Requested loading zone

BREWSTER ST

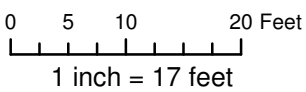
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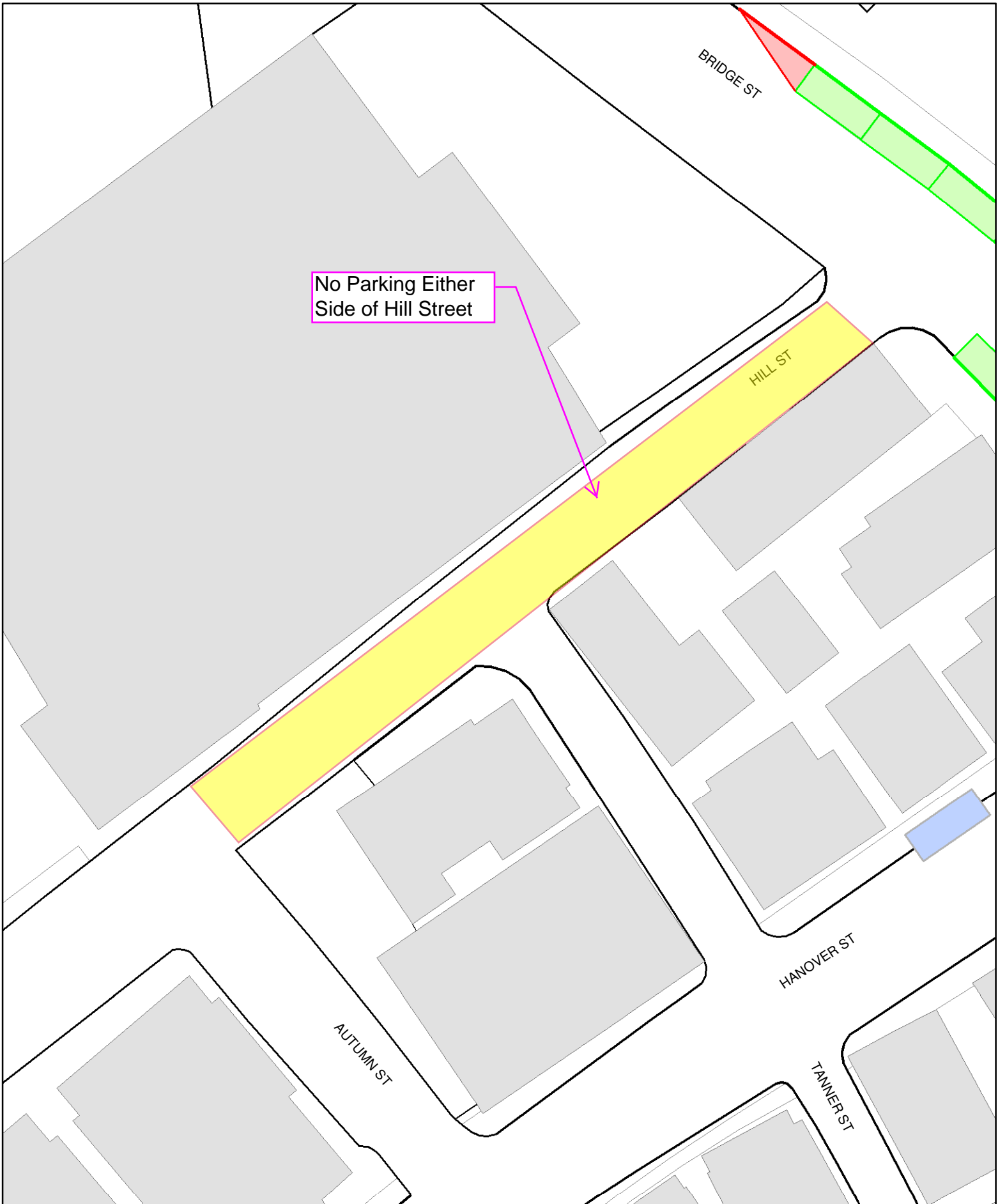
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VI.A. Request for a loading zone on Brewster Street, by The Kitchen.



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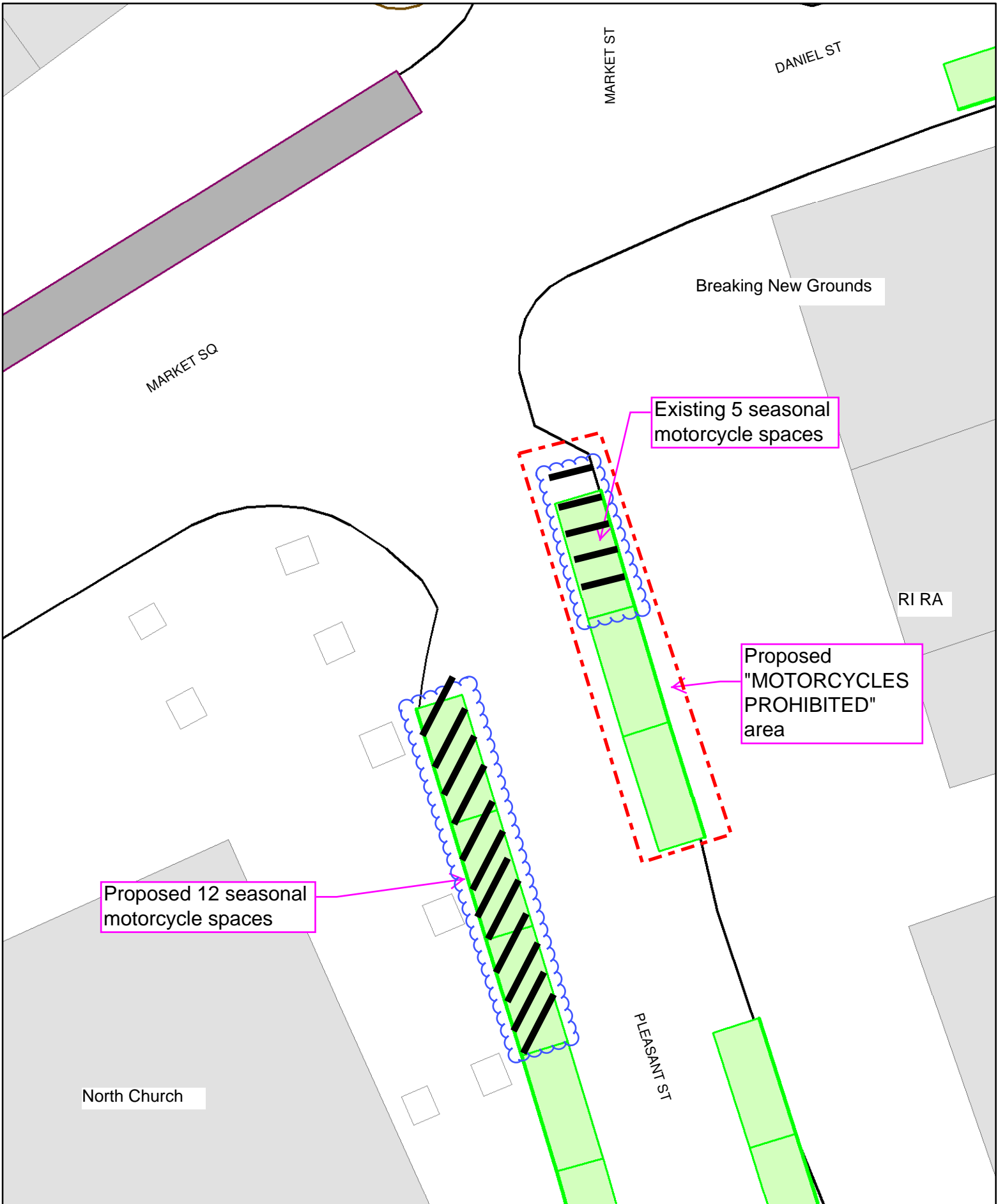
VI.B. Request to reaffirm parking restriction on both sides of Hill Street between Bridge Street and Autumn Street, by Martin Burns.

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1 inch = 30 feet



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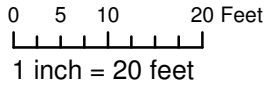
Proposed 12 seasonal motorcycle spaces

Existing 5 seasonal motorcycle spaces

Proposed "MOTORCYCLES PROHIBITED" area

VI.C. Relocate motorcycle parking spaces in Market Square from east side of Pleasant Street to the west side of Pleasant Street.

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July 15, 2018

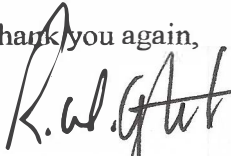
To: Parking and Safety Commission

In regards to the enclosed request sent to you on June 25 of this current year, I'd would like to further inform you that after a biopsy and analysis of the condition of my left leg, it has been determined that I undergo a surgical procedure in Sept. (approx.) at Massachusetts General Hospital to remove said tumor.

I feel, although not really necessary for my request to be honored, was an addendum to my situation worth noting. The end results of this surgery could and probably will exacerbate my mobility/access issue.

If need be, the contact number of Dr. Raskin is in Boston at 617-726-0604 (Louisa). This office can cooberate the status of all or previous information.

Thank you again,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. W. Wright". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line that spans across the page.

RW Wright
30 Sudbury St.

To: Parking & Safety Commission
City of Portsmouth, N.H.

June 25, 2018

From: Randle W. Wright
30 Sudbury Street
Portsmouth, N.H. 03801
603-781-2579

Re: Handicapped Parking designation for above address.

To whom it may concern:

I would, at this time, at the suggestion of Mr. E. Eby, submit my application to have a designated handicapped parking space for the front of my home at the above address.

In the summer of 2015, I had an accident and had a compound fracture of my right ankle and concurrently ruptured the tendons, ligaments in my right leg. The patella on that leg was also severely traumatized. As a result of said accident, I had major surgery to both legs and was confined to complete bed rest for approximately 7 weeks. I have painful "anchors" in my left leg to maintain its integrity and a metal plate and numerous screws in my right ankle to do same. The follow up required many weeks of physical therapy and it has been determined that I will suffer increasingly more permanent immobility because of the increasing arthritis that is developing. I have been under the care of Dr. Kevin Crawford at Atlantic Orthopedics located in Portsmouth. (603-431-1121).

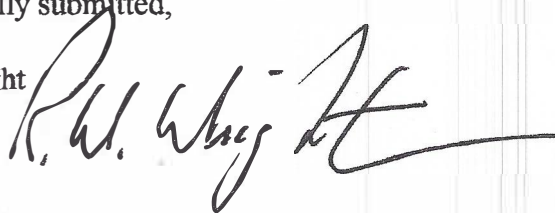
In addition, I am presently under the care of Dr. Kevin A. Raskin at Massachusetts General Hospital (617-726-0604) for the presence of a mass in my left leg that is believed to be a type of sarcoma. At this time the prognosis of this condition is yet not completely determined nor is the treatment, it too affects my mobility and stamina as does the injuries afore mentioned.

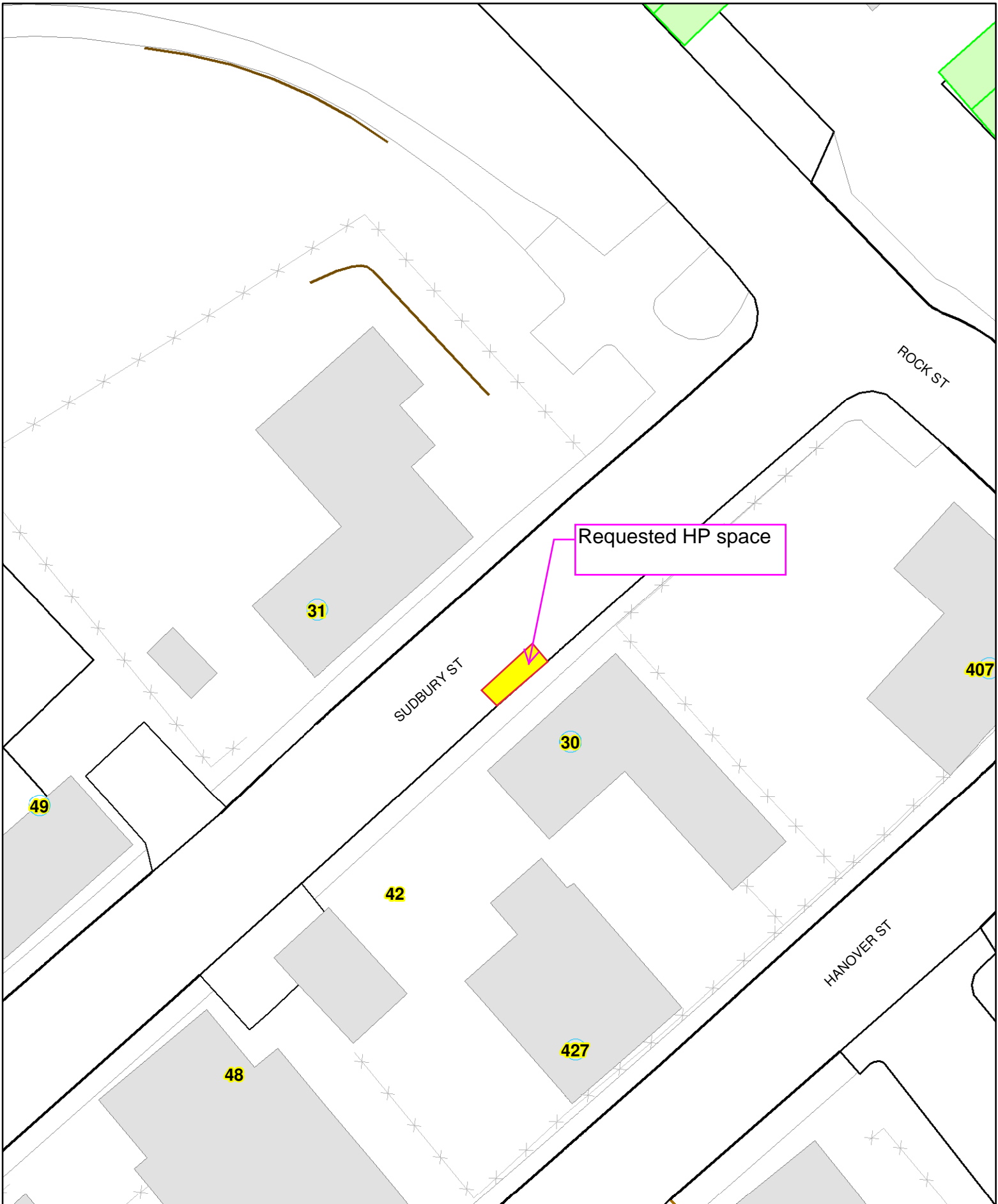
I can actually ambulate fairly well, but I have very little, if any stamina to walk much more than a block (estimate). This condition is therefore makes getting around in my tight, difficult to park neighborhood very difficult and the existence of a 'designated' spot would indeed help and improve my quality of life.

Please note that I have been issued a Handicapped Permit by the State of new Hampshire until 2022 and told renewal was imminent for future years.

Thank you for your consideration, I'd greatly appreciate compliance,
Respectfully submitted,

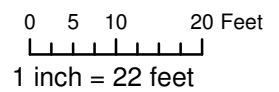
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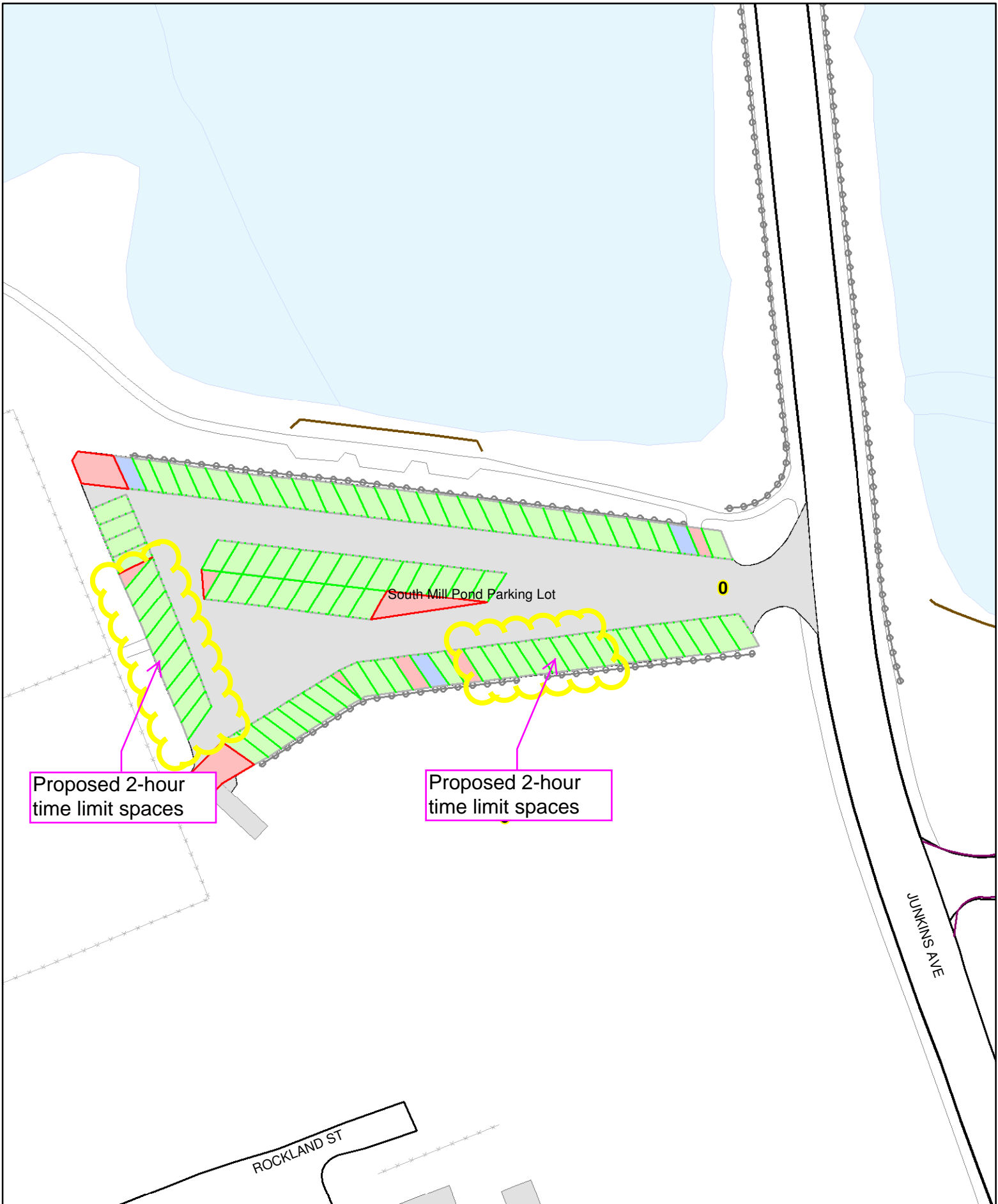
VI.D. Request for a handicap parking space at 30 Sudbury Street, by Randle Wright.

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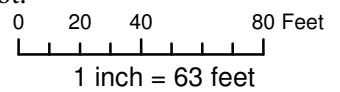


V.I.E. Reinstall NO TURN ON RED signs at the intersection of Middle Street, Miller Avenue and Summer Street.





VI.F. Two hour time limit on tennis court and playground parking spaces in South Mill Pond lot.



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**Parking & Traffic Safety Committee
Quarterly Accident Report**

Quarter	Dates	Type	Location	Notes
2nd Qtr 2018	3/16/18 to 6/15/18	Pedestrian	Daniel @ Penhallow	Pedestrian did not use crosswalk and was struck by vehicle. Pedestrian transported to Portsmouth Regional Hospital with minor injuries and issued a verbal warning for not using crosswalk.
1st Qtr 2018	12/22/17 to 3/15/18	Pedestrian	Middle Rd	Pedestrian was shoveling close to the roadway on Middle Rd. Pedestrian's forearm was struck by the side mirror of a vehicle.
		Pedestrian	Lang Rd	Pedestrian was walking along Lang Rd and darted to the other side of the road unexpectedly. Pedestrian was hit at low speed by an oncoming car.
		Pedestrian	Congress St	Pedestrian was walking down Congress on the southerly side of the sidewalk from Maplewood towards the Music Hall. Sidewalk was crowded and the pedestrian was late to a show at the Music Hall. Pedestrian attempted to navigate around a light pole on the side closest to the street and was struck with a side mirror of a vehicle.
4th Qtr 2017	9/21/17 to 12/21/17	Bicycle	Heritage @ Lafayette	Bicyclist ran into side of car. Cyclist was travelling against the flow of traffic.
		Pedestrian	PHR Parking Lot	Person was backing up. Pedestrian in blind spot, ran over.
		Pedestrian	Across from Cross Roads	Dark stretch of road. Didn't see person crossing. Not in crosswalk.
		Pedestrian	Bypass North @ Greenleaf	Juvenile not in a crosswalk and ran across the intersection.
		Pedestrian	Walmart	Drive backing - vision obscured - bumped pedestrian.
		Pedestrian	Arthur Brady Dr	Pedestrian did not use the crosswalk which was about 50 feet up the street. Poorly lit area.
		Pedestrian	Islington @ Tanner	Pedestrian wearing dark clothing. Poorly lit area. Pedestrian not in a crosswalk.
3rd Qtr 2017	6/21/17 to 9/20/17	Bicycle	Maplewood @ Cutts	Bicyclist turned into vehicle.
		Bicycle	Scott Ave	Bicyclist turned into vehicle.
		Pedestrian	Market Basket parking lot	Patron was loading groceries into her car, vehicle got too close and ran over her foot.
		Pedestrian	area of 526 Islington St	Driver parked his car, opened his door and stepped into the lane of traffic without looking.
		Pedestrian	Middle @ Court	Subject in a wheelchair was bumped in a crosswalk by a vehicle and knocked over. Driver cited.
2nd Qtr 2017	3/21/17 - 6/20/17	Pedestrian	McDonald's parking lot	Juvenile was bumped as vehicle was backing up.
		Pedestrian	Market Basket parking lot	Vehicle bumped a cart being pushed by a patron. The patron was knocked to the ground.
1st Qtr 2017	12/24/16 - 3/20/17	Pedestrian	The Hill	Pedestrian accident occurred on The Hill by the Blue Mermaid. Valet driver failed to clear snow from the windshield of a patron's car and was attempting to move it from a spot on High Street on to Garden Way when he struck a pedestrian crossing the roadway. No injuries & driver cited.
2016	6 months	Pedestrian	5	
		Bicycle	3	

Number of accidents Portsmouth Police Department responded to by year, month

2018	January	124	2017 Yearly Total: 1154
	February	76	
	March	93	
	April	69	
	May	108	
	June	99	
	July		
	August		
	September		
	October		
	November		
	December		
	Total to Date		

Data provided by the Portsmouth Police Department.

Meeting Date: 08/02/18

PTS OPEN ACTION ITEMS

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PTS Meeting Date	Action Item	Vote	Next Step / Report Back Date
6/7/218 5/3/2018	Report back: Chairman Robert's parking space suggestions	6/7/18 VOTED to have City Manager meet with the Chairman, City staff from the Public Works, Fire, Police, and Planning Departments on Fleet Street parking suggestions and report back at the 08/02/2018 meeting. 5/3/18 VOTED to postpone action item until next month's meeting.	August 2, 2018
6/7/2018 5/3/2018 12/17/2017	Report Back: Langdon Street And Brewster Street parking & traffic flow Request for NO PARKING near 30 Brewster Street, by Kelly Hurd	6/7/18 VOTED to change Brewster Street to one-way from Islington Street to McDonough Street; restrict parking on east side of Brewster Street north of McDonough Street; restrict parking on east side of Langdon Street north of #81 Langdon Street with a report back in 60 days. 5/3/18 VOTED to schedule a public discussion on proposed changes at the next meeting. 2/1/18 VOTED to table action item until road construction is finished & report back in July 2018 12/17/17 VOTED to have staff collect data, evaluate, and report back.	August 2, 2018
6/7/2018 5/3/2018	Request for a loading zone between the hours of 9 am and 5 pm, 7 days a week, on Vaughan Street at 3S Artspace, by Martin Holbrook	6/7/18 - VOTED to make no change at this time and revisit after hotel construction is complete. 5/3/18 - VOTED to refer to staff for report back at the next meeting, if possible.	revisit after hotel construction is complete
2/1/2018	Request to eliminate 2-hour time limit on Islington Street between Cornwall Street and Rockingham Street, by Islington Green Condo Association	VOTED to table the action item until the new parking garage is operational.	Tabled until new parking garage is operational
2/1/2018	Request to change parking meter zone designation on Portwalk Place, by Portwalk	VOTED to table the action item to change parking meter zone designation on Portwalk Place until the new parking garage is operational or as part of the overall Parking Division budget process.	Tabled until new parking garage is operational
12/17/2017	Request for 15-minute space at 33 Deer Street (associated with this action item)	VOTED to review 15-minute spaces to determine the appropriate length of time for short-term spaces.	Will be using traffic cameras to monitor parking when weather permits
11/2/2017	Concerns regarding traffic not yielding to pedestrians in crosswalk on Middle Road at Essex Avenue, by Peter Nelsen	12/7/17 VOTED to increase the visibility of the crosswalk by repainting and lengthening the existing 6 ft. stripes to 8 ft. to make it appear larger to approaching motorists. 11/2/17 VOTED to have staff collect data, evaluate & report back at the next meeting.	when weather permits (2018 project)
10/5/2017	Request to eliminate access to Echo Avenue from Spaulding Turnpike, by Charles McMahon Frank Jones Neighborhood Turnpike connections (Echo Ave & Farm Lane)	5/3/18 - VOTED to fully close Echo Ave at the Turnpike as a pilot project for six months. 5/3/18 - VOTED to postpone action on Farm Lane until the pilot project on Echo Avenue is completed and results evaluated. 2/1/18 - VOTED to schedule public meeting 11/30/17 - Neighborhood Meeting - sent notice to members 10/5/17 VOTED to have staff work with neighborhood, to determine desirability and report back with next steps in process. 10/6/17 - Echo Ave action item by Dave Palumbo	Echo Ave Closure Pilot Project 6 months Farm Lane action postponed until pilot project completed & evaluated
9/7/2017	Request for crosswalk on Grafton Drive at Sherburne Road	10/5/17 - VOTED to have City staff work with PDA to implement pedestrian crossing at intersection of Grafton Drive and Sherburne Road. 9/7/17 VOTED to have staff collect data, evaluate, and report back with a recommendation at next month's meeting. (October Meeting)	Pending PDA funding for project
7/6/2017	Crosswalk on Middle Street & Miller Ave - traffic signals and right on red / wants conditions improved soon (requested by Committee member)	Informational Section of Agenda	Monitoring with traffic camera
4/6/2017	Request for Valet Service license on Pleasant Street near Court Street	VOTED to direct staff to report back at a future meeting.	On hold pending site development

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1/5/2017	Rick Chellman Presentation	VOTED staff to report back on recommendations presented by Mr. Chellman at a later date.	Reviewing recommendations to implement
5/5/2016	Rock Street, request to include in Residential Parking Zone	VOTED to table action item until comprehensive residential parking program is implemented.	Residential parking program