

CITY OF NORTH ADAMS
City Clerk's Office
April 5, 2012

I hereby notify you that at twelve o'clock noon today the following items of business have been filed with this office and will be acted upon at the meeting in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, Tuesday evening April 10, 2012 at seven-thirty o'clock according to Section 8, Rules and Orders of the City Council.

Marilyn Gomeau
City Clerk

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
April 10, 2012

Roll Call
Moment of silent prayer
The Pledge
Hearing of Visitors

Approval of the minutes of regular meeting held on March 27th.

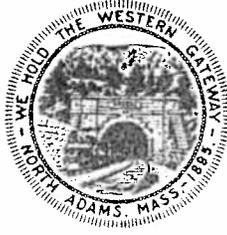
- 11,193 Mayor's communication #51 regarding diagonal parking in the downtown area, which was referred to the Public Safety Committee and postponed at the meeting of March 27th.
- 11,224 Mayor's communication #11 submitting FY 2011 audit from Scanlon & Associates, which was postponed at the meeting of March 27th. Council requested Mr. Scanlon to be present for a report.
- 11,226 Recommendation of the Traffic Commission regarding No Parking on the north side of West Main Street, located at 115 West Main Street, which was referred to the General Government Committee and postponed at the meeting of March 27th.
- 11,209-1 Communication submitted by Councilor Marden regarding reconsideration of Council Rule 12, Hearing of Visitors and Rule 13, Open Forum.

CORRESPONDENCE

LICENSES

An application submitted by Jason Cote of 34 Aztec Drive, North Adams to drive taxi for Lori Smith.

**COUNCILLOR'S CONCERNS
OPEN FORUM**



CITY OF NORTH ADAMS, MASSACHUSETTS

Office of the Mayor
Richard J. Alcombright

September 28, 2011
#51

The North Adams City Council
Re: Diagonal Parking

Dear Honorable Members:

I have included in your packet a Technical Memorandum and Parking Layout from Tighe & Bond regarding diagonal parking in the downtown area. As you know, this concept has been discussed for many years among merchants and most recently through the StreetScape project.

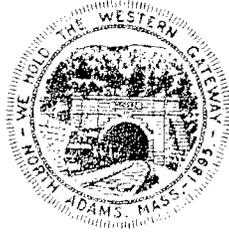
The idea is intended to do two things: First, it will add approximately 10 spaces to the north side of the Main Street from the Mohawk Theater to a point just east of the former Petrino's. Second, diagonal parking, will utilize the most inward lane of the three lanes which will help to slow traffic. As with everything, there are pro's and con's to this proposal which I will discuss at the meeting.

My recommendation is that with winter coming, it would be best to delay this undertaking until May 1, 2012 which will allow ample time for the Public Safety Committee to review, the DPW time to think through any issues with snow removal and give the administration ample time to implement. I will say that the proposal before you has been reviewed and approved by the Traffic Commission, DPW Commissioner Lescarbeau and Public Safety Commissioner Morocco and myself.

I would respectfully request that this be referred to the Public Safety Committee for further comment.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Alcombright
Mayor



CITY OF NORTH ADAMS, MASSACHUSETTS

Office of the Mayor
Richard J. Alcombright

March 27, 2012
#11

The Honorable City Council
Re: FY2011 Audit

Honorable Members:

I have enclosed in your packets the FY2011 audit conducted by Scanlon & Associates as well as their management letter.

The audit itself posed very little in the way of concerns and I am pleased to say that our fiscal practices are sound and we continue to gain on pending items in the management letter. You will note that there were only 3 areas of concern in the FY2011 audit compared to 17 items listed in the FY2010 letter. Of the 17 items from FY2010, 11 have been rectified and we continue to consider and prioritize the other recommendations.

Our financial team has had significant discussions with Mr. Scanlon surrounding the items in the letter. Things such as an investment policy, reserves policy, multi-year budget forecasting with capital planning and written policies and procedures are all major undertakings and will require the continued commitment and focus of our team.

I would ask that the audit and management letter be referred to Finance Committee for review and discussion. I will be happy to address any questions or concerns when the committee convenes.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Alcombright
Mayor

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North Adams Traffic Commission

10 Main Street

North Adams, MA 01247

March 20, 2012

Mr. Michael Bloom

President of the City Council

North Adams, MA 01247

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At 11 o'clock 45 minutes A M
Mary Ann King
City Clerk

Dear President Bloom,

The Traffic Commission reviewed a letter received from Attorney Sisto on behalf of Mr. Fred Primmer, owner of property located at 115 West Main Street.

Mr. Primmer is requesting **No Parking** in front of his home, which is located on the north side of West Main Street. As a result, when vehicles are parked on the street, it is extremely difficult to safely pull into traffic. The parked vehicles (vans and trucks especially) obstruct visibility so that exiting vehicles are required to pull into the road to view oncoming traffic.

The commission approved this request. The northerly side of West Main Street, beginning at a point 157 feet from the easterly curb line of Grime Street and extending easterly 57 feet.

If you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,
Mary Ann King
Mary Ann King, Chairperson

April 5, 2012

**To: City Clerk Marilyn Gomeau
From: City Councilor Alan Marden
Re: Agenda Item – 4/10**

Please place the following agenda item on the upcoming 4/10/2012 City Council Agenda:

Council discussion and possible reconsideration of Rule 12 Hearing of Visitors and Rule 13 of the 2012 North Adams City Council Rules of Order.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
City Of North Adams

FEE\$ 10.00 *paid*

To The Honorable City Council:

I, Jason Cote, hereby make application to be granted a
Name

LICENSE TO DRIVE A TAXICAB FOR American Cab
Employer's name

Height 6 ft 1 in Weight 320 lbs Color of Hair brown Color of Eyes Hazel

Date of Birth 12/22/79 Birthplace FITSFIELD Gender MALE Citizen yes

I hold a Massachusetts Driver's # _____ and have held this license for how long 13 years.

My license has _____ has not been suspended or revoked in Massachusetts or any other jurisdiction.

If yes explain _____

I have _____ have not been convicted of a felony. If yes explain: _____

Are you currently on any medication that would hinder your driving ability yes _____, no .

Do you currently have any open criminal court cases, yes _____, no . Explain on page 2.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT, IF GRANTED THIS LICENSE, I WILL STRICTLY CONFORM AND ADHERE TO THE LAWS OF THE COMMONWEALTH, THE ORDINANCES OF THE CITY AND SUCH RULES AND REGULATIONS AS THE CITY COUNCIL MAY ESTABLISH.

I do solemnly, sincerely and truly affirm the foregoing application to be true to the best of my knowledge and belief and do so under the pains and penalties of perjury.

Jason Cote
Signature
34 AZtec DR.
Address
North Adams MASS
City/Town

TO BE COMPLETED BY EMPLOYER

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE POLICE DEPT

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT:

THE ABOVE APPLICATION IS HEREBY

If granted a TAXI DRIVER'S LICENSE

APPROVED DISAPPROVED _____

Jason Cote
Name of applicant

This 20 day of March, 2012

WILL DRIVE FOR ME.....

David Smith
TAXI OPERATOR'S SIGNATURE

NORTH ADAMS POLICE DEPARTMENT
11 SUMMER STREET
NORTH ADAMS, MA 01207
POLICE DEPARTMENT