

Resolution Relating to

WINOOSKI AVENUE TRANSPORTATION STUDY

RESOLUTION 6.04

Sponsor(s): Transportation, Energy,
Utilities Committee

Introduced: 03/09/20

Referred to: _____

Action: amended; adopted

Date: 03/09/20

Signed by Mayor: 03/15/20

CITY OF BURLINGTON

In the year Two Thousand Twenty

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Burlington, as follows:

1 That WHEREAS, Winooski Avenue is the primary north-south transportation corridor through the heart of
2 downtown Burlington; and

3 WHEREAS, Winooski Avenue was envisioned as a corridor to accommodate safe access for all users,
4 including pedestrians, bicyclists, transit vehicles and riders through adoption of the 2011 Burlington
5 Transportation Plan and 2017 planBTV Walk Bike; and

6 WHEREAS, Winooski Avenue does not have consistent or intuitive multimodal facilities, has seven of
7 the twenty priority intersections identified for safety improvements in planBTV Walk Bike, has experienced
8 16% of bicycle crashes and 17% of pedestrian crashes in the City in the past five years, and has six VTrans
9 High Crash locations along the corridor; and

10 WHEREAS, the Winooski Avenue Transportation Study complements past planning efforts in
11 Burlington and the region by evaluating options for transportation improvements in a comprehensive study of
12 the entire corridor; and

13 WHEREAS, a Project Advisory Committee with broad public participation was convened to represent
14 those invested in the corridor and guide the development of alternatives for transportation improvements to the
15 Winooski Avenue corridor; and

16 WHEREAS, the Advisory Committee reached unanimous consensus in support of the preferred
17 alternatives identified in the Implementation Plan; and

18 WHEREAS, the Transportation, Energy and Utilities Committee (TEUC) of the City Council at its
19 meeting on February 4, 2020 reviewed and the majority supported the Winooski Avenue Transportation Study
20 recommendations that will achieve the corridor vision;

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that interim improvements are to be completed in 2020 to
22 include a Parking Management Plan for North Winooski Avenue that identifies **practical strategies for**
23 **balancing parking supply and demand north of Pearl Street, with the goal of meeting essential parking**
24 **needs while freeing up space for dedicated bike lanes**, ~~management strategies to mitigate the loss of on-~~
25 ~~street parking,~~ pilots or demonstrations of mini-roundabouts **or other strategies for improving multimodal**

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26 safety and performance at key intersections on North Winooski Avenue, wayfinding between the
27 southbound Winooski Avenue and northbound Union Street bike lane, finding solutions to commercial
28 loading and driveway queueing on Winooski Avenue in the downtown, and evaluating options to create
29 protection for pedestrians and bicyclists in the downtown; and

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that shorter-term improvements are projected to be completed in 2020
31 to include new pavement markings from Pearl Street to Main Street (to include one southbound vehicle lane,
32 one northbound vehicle lane, a center turning lane, and northbound and southbound bicycle lanes), continuous
33 bicycle lanes in both directions south of Main Street, consideration of physical protections for people walking
34 and biking, and improvements for high-priority transit stops and pedestrian crossings; and

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that shorter-term improvements are to be completed in 2021 to include
36 new pavement markings for bicycle lanes in both directions between Pearl Street and Riverside Avenue,
37 improvements for high-priority transit stops and pedestrian crossings north of Pearl Street, considerations for
38 additional pedestrian safety improvements at the North Winooski Avenue intersections of Archibald Street
39 and Riverside Avenue, and additional streetscape and safety enhancements south of Pearl Street; and

40 ~~BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that longer-term improvements are to be completed as funding is~~
41 ~~identified and will modify the roadway to balance two-way traffic for all modes North of Pearl Street, provide~~
42 ~~protected bike lanes, additional on-street parking, underground utilities, management of stormwater,~~
43 ~~improvement to transit stops, the addition of new street trees, and improve the pedestrian experience of~~
44 ~~Winooski Avenue; and~~

45 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council hereby recommends and requests that the
46 Department of Public Works (DPW) take all steps necessary within their control to implement
47 improvements south of Pearl Street (including restriping to add bike lanes through downtown) as
48 quickly as possible with a target of September 2020, and delay implementation of any lane
49 reconfigurations north of Pearl until review and approval of the Parking Management Plan by Public
50 Works Commission and City Council in December 2020 ~~take all steps necessary within their control to~~
51 ~~implement the recommendations of the Winooski Avenue Transportation Study, implement improvements~~
52 ~~south of Pearl Street as quickly as possible with a target of September 2020, and provide the City Council's~~
53 ~~Transportation, Energy & Utility Committee and project-area Councilors with bi-annual updates regarding~~
54 ~~same; and~~

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57 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the draft scope of work for the Parking Management Plan
58 be presented to a joint City Councilor-Stakeholder Committee, to be comprised of the three members of
59 the Transportation, Energy, and Utilities Committee, and four stakeholders from the North Winooski
60 Avenue Area to be appointed by the Mayor and the City Council President. Applications for the
61 Stakeholder members should be submitted to the Clerk's office by April 3rd, with all members to be
62 appointed by April 10th. The North Winooski Avenue Area is defined as North Winooski Avenue
63 between Riverside Avenue and Pearl Street and the blocks east and west of the Avenue. Stakeholders
64 are defined as residents and owners, managers, or employees of organizations (for profit and not for
65 profit) in the Area. The Joint Committee shall approve the scope of the work, methodology, and public
66 engagement plan for the development of a Parking Management Plan; it will receive periodic updates
67 on the development of the Plan; and will review recommendations of the Plan. The Joint Committee
68 will function as a public body according to open meeting law; and

69 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED a draft Parking Management Plan shall be presented to the
70 Ward 2/3 NPA in December 2020 for public input, before final approval by the TEUC-Stakeholder
71 Committee; and

72 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the final Parking Management Plan will come before the City
73 Council for referral to the Public Works Commission for review and approval.

74 ~~BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the draft scope of work for the Parking Management Plan be~~
75 ~~presented to the Transportation, Energy, and Utilities Committee and the final Plan be presented to the Public~~
76 ~~Works Commission for acceptance.~~

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City Attorney's Office, Linda Blanchard
DPW, Nicole Losch

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Winooski Avenue Transportation Study

As Amended
Adopted by the City Council
March 9, 2020
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Clerk

Approved, 20
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Mayor

Attest:
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Lori Olberg
Licensing, Voting and Records Coordinator

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