

PUBLIC INPUT AFTER MARCH 14, 2018 – Taxi Cab Stand / Loading Zone Dual Use Parking

From: Juniors Downtown **Sent:** Friday, March 09, 2018 2:22 PM

Hi Phillip,

Thank you for stopping by and explaining what it is the City is proposing. After talking with my business partner we have concluded that allowing for a designated taxi stand in front of our store would cause JDT serious financial repercussions.

Nearly 50% of our business is based on delivery. On busy nights we have up to 3 drivers coming and going with orders plus we do extensive catering business with UVM and the hospital. Losing that parking space located right in front of our store would mean longer delivery wait times and colder food - two damaging factors in our business. Our competitors would crush us.

It only takes one time to disappoint/upset a customer and you lose them for good - not to mention the social media backlash and negative reviews.

In light of these major factors we would like to submit that the City find another location, perhaps across the street, that would not directly and adversely affect our small business.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Sani Pasagic & Amir Jusfagic

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Juniors Downtown
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From: Juniors Downtown **Sent:** Tuesday, March 13, 2018 9:05 AM

Did you talk to BPD and Church Street Mmarketplace? We are not concerned having Taxi in the front of our store during the day. Every weekend night in this two blocks are minimum 2000 people. Having taxi stands on the northeast corner will be just add to the safety concerns at this time of the day. People Jay walking, running over the street without any concern being hit by a car. How much I know BPD policy is not to have people close to intersection.

This idea is totally not acceptable. I am just wondering who's brilliant idea is.

People who don't know anything about late night situation deciding to add oil on the fire and move taxi stands closer to the Church Street.

I will make sure that Mayor Weinberger is informed about those brilliant idea and of course attend Commission meeting.

Amir Jusufagic
Juniors Downtown

Public Input Received After March 14, 2018
South Champlain Street Temporary Parking

From: Ilona Blanchard
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 9:47:51 PM

Good evening -

I would like to respectfully request that the Public Works Commission not approve the temporary repeal of the parking on the west side of South Champlain Street (closest to King Street, 5 spaces), and instead revisit the proposal in order to take into account the ability of South Champlain residents to access our driveways.

Our driveway is at 184 South Champlain Street and is perpendicular to the street. When there are cars parked on the east side of the street (currently legal), we use all of the width of the street to back into our driveway, and to turn out left or right in order to avoid hitting the cars which park up to our driveway's edge (and which are allowed to park within 2 feet of the driveway's edge).

South Champlain, at 30 feet curb to curb, has insufficient width for a car to turn out of a perpendicular driveway once 12-16 feet are allotted to parking leaving a center two-way drive aisle of 14-18 feet. A staff member of DPW informed me that 28 feet is the minimum width required for a street to allow parking on both sides. 28 feet works fine for a commercial street with no driveways and only parallel parking. It is insufficient for a residential street with driveways perpendicular to the street, as cars and trucks accessing a perpendicular space need more than 18 feet to turn safely and this has not been taken into account.

Thank you,

Ilona Blanchard
184 South Champlain Street

From: Carlos Garza
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 9:24 AM

Hi:

I'm a homeowner and resident on South Champlain Street between King and Maple streets. I recently received a flyer regarding additional parking on that block of South Champlain for the duration of the summer construction on Maple Street.

My home is on the east side of the street, directly across from some of the proposed additional parking. I'm concerned that the additional parking will make my driveway inaccessible, especially for larger than average service vehicles (like a plumber's or electrician's van).

Cars parked on-street currently push right up to or just past the edge of my driveway, which is very narrow. (The two foot buffer rule around driveways is routinely ignored and not proactively enforced.)

Since parked cars are so tight against the driveway, I have to pull my car completely past them before starting to make a turn onto South Champlain. This puts me into the west lane of traffic, which will narrow significantly with additional parking.

Would it be possible to add signage on the east side of the street alerting motorists to respect the two foot buffer rule around resident driveways when parking?

Could the east side of the street be striped for parking to give motorists an idea of where a parking space starts and ends?

Thanks for your attention and please let me know if you have any questions for me or require additional information.

Sincerely,
Carlos Garza

From: Karl Fandrich
Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2018 12:52 PM
To: Patrick Mulligan
Subject: Proposed temporary parking on South Champlain St

Hello Patrick,

I attended the public meeting at the Bobbin Mill Community Room last week regarding the project centered on Maple Street. I have continued to think about the proposed temporary parking plan for South Champlain Street. Our landlords own the dirt parking lot on the corner Northwest corner of the Champlain and Maple street intersection, and many people who work in our building park in that lot. I am concerned about the clear turning radius for vehicles entering and exiting the lot. There are a number of us with pickup trucks, and the tow truck goes in and out to patrol the lot and remove cars with no permit. As I recall, there were two spaces planned between our lot entrances, and other spaces planned very close to the north exit. I'm concerned that it would be difficult to get in and out of our lot, especially with vehicles parked on both sides. The other day, we had a puddle in the lot, and I could see the wet tire tracks going in and out. It appeared to me that there may be a conflict if there were cars parked nearby. I would also echo the concerns of others about the overall width of the street and the trucks that service Handy's Lunch. Either way, I guess we can work out problems as they arise.

Thanks,
Karl Fandrich
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