



## **Planning, Streets and Traffic Committee**

Monday, April 22, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.

City Service Center – 915 Quarrier Street – Conference Room

### **AGENDA**

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Unfinished Business**
- 3. New Business**

**Bill No. 8021**– A Bill adopting a revision of the comprehensive plan and downtown redevelopment plan for the City of Charleston, West Virginia, pursuant to Chapter 8A, Article 3, of the West Virginia Code titled “Imagine Charleston: Comprehensive Plan” and “Imagine Charleston: Downtown Redevelopment Plan”. Said revisions to the plans are to guide the city to accomplish a coordinated and compatible development of land and improvements within its territorial jurisdiction, in accordance with present and future needs and resources.

Rules for loading zones – Midtown

Request for Frontage Road in Kanawha City to be reduced to 25 MPH

- 4. Discussion**
- 5. Approval of the Minutes of the February 26, 2024, meeting**
- 6. Adjournment**

**Bill No. 8021**

**Introduced in Council:**

**April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024**

**Introduced by:**

**Mary Beth Hoover**

**Adopted by Council:**

**Referred to:**

**Municipal Planning Commission  
Planning, Streets and Traffic**

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WHEREAS, the City Council hereby finds:

a. A comprehensive plan is the basis for land development and use, and must be reviewed and updated on a regular basis;

b. The purpose of a comprehensive plan is to:

i. Set goals and objectives for land development, uses and suitability for a governing body, so a governing body can make an informed decision;

ii. Ensure that the elements in the comprehensive plan are consistent;

iii. Coordinate all governing bodies, units of government and other planning commissions to ensure that all comprehensive plans and future development are compatible;

iv. Create conditions favorable to health, safety, mobility, transportation, prosperity, civic activities, recreational, educational, cultural opportunities and historic resources;

v. Reduce the wastes of physical, financial, natural or human resources which result from haphazard development, congestion or scattering of population;

vi. Reduce the destruction or demolition of historic sites and other resources by reusing land and buildings and revitalizing areas;

vii. Promote a sense of community, character and identity;

viii. Promote the efficient utilization of natural resources, rural land, agricultural land and scenic areas;

ix. Focus development in existing developed areas and fill in vacant or underused land near existing developed areas to create well designed and coordinated communities; and

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42 x. Promote cost-effective development of community facilities and services; and  
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44 c. Due to the passage of time and state statutory requirements, the comprehensive plan  
45 currently in place, the 2013 plans titled "Imagine Charleston: Comprehensive Plan" and "Imagine  
46 Charleston: Downtown Redevelopment Plan," must be updated; and  
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48 d. The March 2024 revised plans titled "Imagine Charleston: Comprehensive Plan" and  
49 "Imagine Charleston: Downtown Redevelopment Plan," attached hereto as Exhibit A and Exhibit  
50 B respectively, are in compliance with the mandatory components of a comprehensive plan as  
51 outlined in § 8A-3-4 of the Code of West Virginia, and should be adopted as comprehensive plans  
52 for the City.  
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55 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
56 CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA:  
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58 That the March 2024 revised plans titled "Imagine Charleston: Comprehensive Plan" and  
59 "Imagine Charleston: Downtown Redevelopment Plan" are hereby adopted as the comprehensive  
60 plans for the City.  
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62 This Ordinance will become effective immediately after final passage.

# CITY OF CHARLESTON

## PARKING DEPARTMENT

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To: Planning Streets and Traffic Committee

From: Terri Allen, Director of Parking

Date: March 14, 2024

Re: Rules for loading zones – Midtown

Note:

I am requesting approval to establish rules for enforcement hours for the following list of loading zones as 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday. If approved, this would allow anyone to park in these zones from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. Monday through Saturday and all-day Sunday without fear of being ticketed or towed:

### **Downtown**

Unit block of Capitol Street

200 block of Capitol Street

300 block of Capitol Street

400 block of Capitol Street

200 block of Hale Street

100 block of Summers Street

300 block of Summers Street

600 block of Quarrier Street East

700 block of Quarrier Street East

Unit block of Laidley Street

100 block of Laidley Street

### **Elk City**

200 block of Washington Street West

300 block of Washington Street West

700 block of Bigley Avenue

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**Sec. 114-575. Procedure for establishment of loading zones; conditions governing; loading zone record.**

- (a) The director of parking, in consultation with the director of traffic, shall have authority, in the manner provided in this section, to establish and lay off loading zones upon the streets of the city.
- (b) Loading zones may be established by the director of parking upon approval by the city council planning/streets and traffic committee. Such zones shall be for the sole purpose of providing on-street facilities for the loading and unloading of commodities and equipment in the conduct of business and where no adequate off-street loading facilities are available.
- (c) The director of parking, with the approval of the city council planning/streets and traffic committee, may, with respect to the establishment of any such loading zone, prescribe limitations as to curb space and the time of day within which such loading zone may be used, which shall be designated by appropriate signs.
- (d) Any citizen may apply for the establishment of a loading zone. Such application shall be submitted in writing to the director of parking, on a form to be prescribed by him or her and approved by the city council planning/streets and traffic committee.
- (e) All loading zones established under this section may be abolished by the director of parking, by and with the approval of the city council planning/streets and traffic committee.
- (f) Any applicant for the establishment of a loading zone whose application has been denied by the abolition of any such loading zone may appeal such action to the city council, whose action on such appeal shall be final.
- (g) The parking department shall keep an accurate record of all loading zones established under this section, its location, and the special limitations, if any, attached to the zone.

(Code 1975, § 31-206; Bill No. 7753, 8-7-2017; Bill No. 7815 , 5-6-2019)

**Planning, Streets and Traffic Committee**  
Thursday, February 26, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.  
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**Members Present**

Mary Beth Hoover - via phone  
Jennifer Pharr - via phone  
Kathy Rubio  
Bobby Haas  
Becky Ceperley - Chair  
John Gianola

**Staff Present**

Dan Vriendt  
Matt Hartline  
Terri Allen

**Absent**

Pam Burka

**1. Call to Order**

**2. Unfinished Business**

**3. New Business**

**Bill No. 8025** - A Bill amending the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Charleston, West Virginia, enacted the 1st day of January 2006, as amended, and the map made a part thereof, by rezoning from a R-6 district to a C-8 district, the parcel of land identified as 403 53rd St SE, Kanawha City District, Tax Map 12, Parcel 138 in the City of Charleston, Kanawha County, State of West Virginia.

Dan presented the staff analysis and the following recommendations from the staff:

Staff recommends **approval** for the following reasons:

1. The rezoning is consistent with the future land use map in that it complies with the area's designation as a Mixed-Use Corridor within a larger Traditional neighborhood,
2. The rezoning clarifies the future uses of the parcel as it relates to other properties in the area, and
3. The rezoning remedies a small area of spot zoning that existed for years.

This is Pam Burka's ward and Bruce King is sponsoring the bill. The Municipal Planning Commission heard this matter and there was no opposition. It passed by unanimous approval.

**Motion and Vote:** A motion was made by John Gianola to adopt Bill No. 8025. The motion was seconded by Bobby Haas and passed by a unanimous vote of 6-0.

**Bill No. 8026** - A Bill to create a NO PARKING ANYTIME zone on the westerly side of Westview Drive from Thurston Drive to end cul-de-sac at the end of Westview Drive and amending the Traffic Control Map and Traffic Control File, established by the code of the City of Charleston, West Virginia, two thousand and three, as amended, Traffic Laws, Section 263, Division 2, Article 4, Chapter 114, to conform therewith.

Becky Ceperley proposed considering Bill Nos. 8026 and 8027 simultaneously, since bill No. 8027 is a "companion bill". Otherwise, Bill Nos. 8026 and 8027 will remain two separate bills for all other intended purposes.

Matt Hartline provided an explanation for both bills to PS&T. Traffic Operations had received complaints from the Public Works Department about issues they were encountering when they were in this area to plow and were unable to remove snow on a couple of occasions this year. There were also concerns about emergency vehicles being able to access this area, especially in the evening times when people come home and park. The idea was to have residents in this area park on one side of the road to free the flow of traffic.

One bill has parking moving to the right, while the other has parking moving to the left. That was an attempt to lessen the impact on driveways. Shannon Snodgrass sponsors both Bill No. 8026 and 8027.

**Motion and Vote:** A motion was made by Bobby Haas to adopt Bill No. 8026. The motion was seconded by Kathy Rubio and passed by a unanimous vote of 6-0.

**Bill No. 8027** - A Bill to create a NO PARKING ANYTIME zone on the northerly side of Westview Drive from Old Greenbrier Street to Thurston Drive and amending the Traffic Control Map and Traffic Control File, established by the code of the City of Charleston, West Virginia, two thousand and three, as amended, Traffic Laws, Section 263, Division 2, Article 4, Chapter 114, to conform therewith.

**Motion and Vote:** A motion was made by Bobby Haas to adopt Bill No. 8027. The motion was seconded by Kathy Rubio and passed by a unanimous vote of 6-0.

#### 4. Discussion

#### 5. Approval of the Minutes of the January 22, 2024, meeting

**Motion and Vote:** A motion was made to adopt the minutes of the PS&T January 22, 2024 meeting. The motion was seconded and passed by a unanimous vote of 6-0.

#### 6. Adjournment