

## **PARKING ORDINANCE**

**#050123**

**SECTION 1. AUTHORITY.** Under the authority granted in 24 V.S.A Chapter 59, 24 V.S.A. §. 2291 (4), V.S.A. §1008 and 19 V.S.A. § 304(a) (6), the Selectboard of the Town of Worcester hereby adopts this civil ordinance regulating parking.

**SECTION 2. PURPOSE.** The purpose of this ordinance is to promote safety, to provide good traffic flow and to assist the Town of Worcester in the maintenance of streets and highways.

**SECTION 3. SEPARATE OFFENSES.** Each violation of a provision of this ordinance shall be deemed a separate offense.

**SECTION 4. STOPPING, STANDING, OR PARKING VEHICLES.** No person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle—except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with law or the directions of an enforcement officer or traffic control device—in any of the following places:

- (a) On both sides of Minister Brook Road beginning adjacent to electric utility pole #45811 and going west 1000 feet to a point beyond the intersection of town trail #6 and Minister Brook Road.
- (b) In front of a public or private driveway;
- (c) Within an intersection;
- (d) Within six (6) feet of a fire hydrant;
- (e) Upon any bridge;
- (f) In front of all fire department doors;
- (g) At any place where official signs prohibit stopping, standing, or parking.

No person shall move a vehicle into any such prohibited area.

**SECTION 5. ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES.** Any law enforcement officer may issue a parking ticket for any vehicles parked in violation of Section 4 of this ordinance, which shall set forth the penalty to be paid for such a violation. Parking tickets shall be paid to the Worcester Treasurer within 15 days of issuance. The penalty for violating any provision of Section 5 of this Ordinance shall be \$20. A late payment fee of \$10 shall be imposed for each parking ticket not paid within 15 days of issuance.

**SECTION 6. ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL OF PARKING TICKETS.** Within 15 days of the date of issuance of a parking ticket, the recipient may appeal the violation by

submitting a written statement of appeal to the Town Treasurer. The written statement shall state the facts supporting the appeal and why such a ticket is believed to be unlawful. The Town Treasurer or the selectboard chair will review the statement within 15 days and shall issue a brief written decision on the appeal which shall be final.

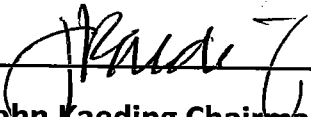
If, after exhausting this process, the violator has not paid the penalty assessed for violation of this Ordinance, the Town may institute an action against the violator in accordance with rule 80.9 of the Vermont Rules of Procedure.

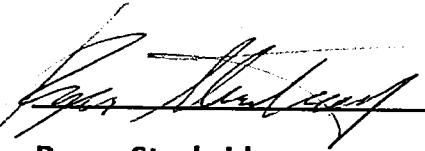
**SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This ordinance shall become effective sixty (60) days after its adoption by the Worcester Town Selectboard. If a petition is filed under 25 V.S.A. §1973, that statute shall govern the taking effect of this ordinance.

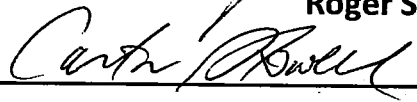
**SECTION 8. SEVERABILITY.** If any section of this ordinance is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such finding shall not invalidate any other part of this ordinance.

Signed on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, A.D. 2023 at Worcester, Vermont

THE WORCESTER SELECTBOARD

  
John Kaeding Chairman

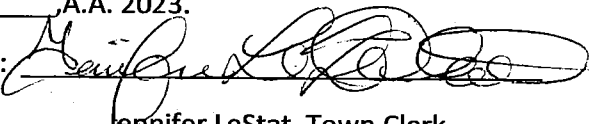
  
Roger Strobridge

  
Carter Stowell

Attest:   
Jennifer LeStat

5/15/23  
Date

I hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was posted in (3) public places in the town of Worcester on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, A.D. 2023, to wit: Town Clerk's Office, Worcester town hall and Doty Memorial School and was published in the *Times Argus*, a newspaper having general circulation in the town of Worcester on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, A.D. 2023 and was recorded in the Ordinance Records of the Town of Worcester on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, A.A. 2023.

Attest:   
Jennifer LeStat, Town Clerk

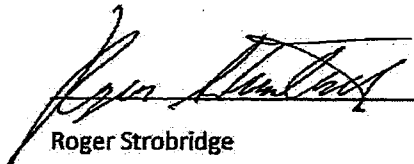
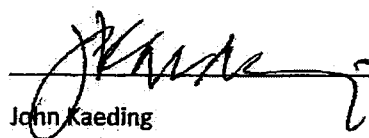
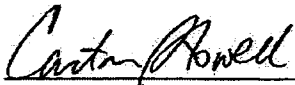

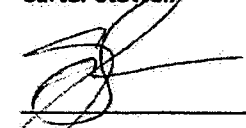
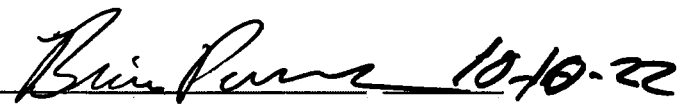
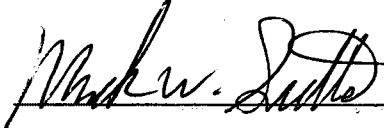

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## TOWN OF WORCESTER NO PARKING ORDINANCE

### TRAFFIC STUDY RESULTS

In accordance with Vermont Agency of Transportation traffic impact study guidelines, an independent traffic study for a no parking ordinance in the Town Of Worcester has been performed. This traffic study included a review of proposed no parking areas and a in person review of a specific section on the class 2, town highway #2 road known as Minister Brook Road posted at 35 mph. The section on TH #2 in question, is close to a popular swimming hole on minister brook in Worcester, VT. In this area TH #2 has some straight line visibility beginning at the electric utility pole #45811 with little if any shoulder on the south side of the road and a residential lawn, ditch and driveway on the north side and has a slight vertical incline traveling west. Straight line visibility ends at a rise with a right hand bend and the road then goes into a slight decline before continuing west in a straight line. Given that there is a significant blind spot at the bend in the road, and little if any road shoulder, parked vehicles have been parking on the traveled portion of TH #2 reducing the travelled portion to an unsafe 1 or 1 ½ lane width. Given the possibility of a dangerous traffic bottleneck with the added danger of pedestrians on or crossing TH #2. It is recommended that a no parking zone be put in place beginning on TH #2 at the electric utility pole #45811 and continuing west 1000 feet to a point past the intersection of town trail #6. Proper signage marking the beginning and ending of the no parking zone should be placed in both directions on both sides of TH #2 at the points described.

Traffic impact study performed by:

 Roger Strobridge	<u>09/12/22</u> Date	 John Kaeding	<u>09-17-22</u> Date
 Carter Stowell	<u>9/13/22</u> Date	 Mike Utton	<u>10-6-22</u> Date
 Shawn McManis	<u>10-5-22</u> Date	 Brian Powers	<u>10-10-22</u> Date
 Mark "Will" Sutton	<u>10/17/22</u> Date	 Jennifer LeStat	<u>9/20/22</u> Date

Adopted by the Worcester Selectboard on May 15<sup>th</sup> 2023

[Signature]  
Carter & Paul

**Adoption History**

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|---|-----------------------------------|------------------|----------------|
|   | <u>Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> 2022</u>  | <u>12</u>        | <u>75</u>      |
| 1. Agenda item at a Selectboard meeting held on | <u>Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup> 2023</u>   | Volume <u>12</u> | Page <u>77</u> |
| April 24 <sup>th</sup>                          | <u>12</u>                         | <u>102</u>       |                |
| March 20 <sup>th</sup>                          | <u>12</u>                         | <u>104</u>       |                |
|   | <u>Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> 2023</u>  | Volume <u>12</u> | Page <u>71</u> |
|   | <u>Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> 2023</u>  | Volume <u>12</u> | Page <u>82</u> |
|   | <u>March 5<sup>th</sup> 2023</u>  | Volume <u>12</u> | Page <u>91</u> |
|   | <u>April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2023</u>  | <u>12</u>        | <u>100</u>     |
|   | <u>April 17<sup>th</sup> 2023</u> | <u>12</u>        | <u>102</u>     |
2. Read and approved at regular Selectboard meeting on May 15<sup>th</sup> 2023 and entered in the minutes of that meeting which were approved on June 5<sup>th</sup> 2023
3. Posted in 5 public places on May 16<sup>th</sup> 2023  
Web site of Town Clerk's, Town Hall, Post Office Cafe  
US Post Office and LBJ's  
Worcester
4. A notice of adoption published in the Times Argus newspaper on May 18<sup>th</sup> 2023, with a notice of the right to petition.
5. Effective date: July 14<sup>th</sup> 2023 Volume 12 Page 107-110
6. Ordinance # and Name: Parking Ordinance  
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