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MEMORANDUM

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TO: Eileen M. Donoghue, City Manager

FROM: Diane N. Tradd, Assistant City Manager/DPD Director

SUBJECT: MOTION OF 5/23/17 BY COUNCILOR KENNEDY  
REQUEST CITY MANAGER INSTRUCT TRAFFIC ENGINEER TO ANALYZE THE  
FEASIBILITY OF MAKING PERRY STREET ONE-WAY

The Transportation Engineer has performed a field investigation to view the parking availability and traffic flow on Perry Street. The motion arose from resident concern about the width of the travel lane if vehicles are parked on both sides of the road in the first block of Perry Street north of the intersection with Rogers Street.

Perry Street is 28 feet wide in that first block, with parking permitted on both sides of the street. If cars are parked on both sides of the street, there is insufficient room for two way traffic. There are homes along both sides of Perry Street for approximately 480' from Rogers Street to Sherman Street which utilize on-street parking. It is not feasible or appropriate to limit on-street parking in this section of Perry Street. The remainder of Perry Street consists of businesses with large curb cuts and garages where parking is limited to one side of the street or the other.

In this area of the City, there are four streets (Perry Street, Concord Street, Pleasant Street and High Street) that run parallel to one another and connect Andover Street to Rogers Street. Perry Street and High Street are both open to two-way traffic. Concord Street is one-way from Andover Street to Rogers Street. Pleasant Street is one way from Rogers Street to Andover Street. See attached map with directional arrows.

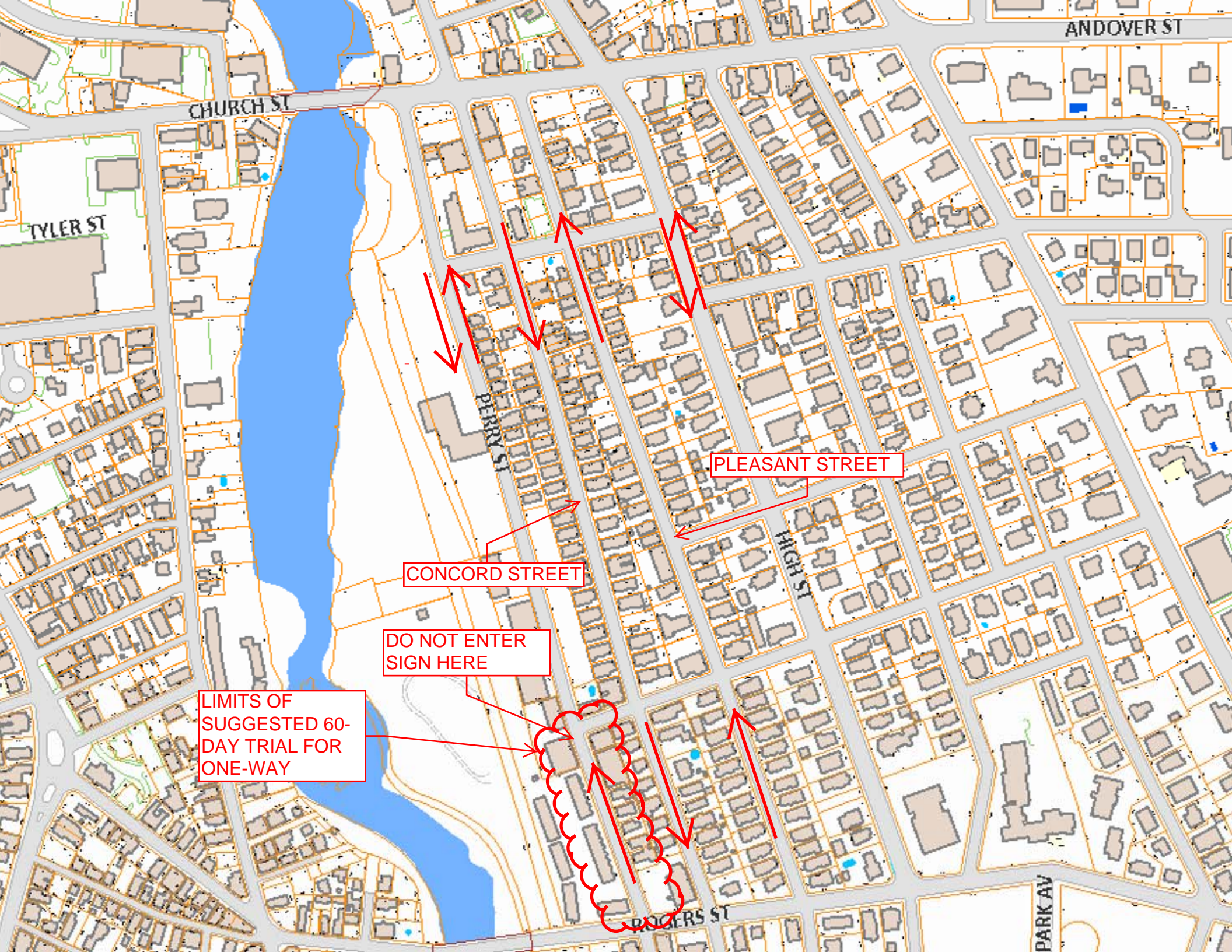
It is typically preferable to create opposing one-way streets adjacent to one another so that the motoring public is not forced to an excessive detour due to a directional change. An unintended consequence of the change can be routing additional traffic to an adjacent street. It is feasible to make Perry Street one-way from Sherman Street to Rogers Street because there is an adjacent Street with an opposite direction, but there will likely be an increase in traffic on Concord Street.

Perry Street will be designated as One-Way for the first block of Perry Street from Rogers Street to Sherman Street, but will remain Two-Way for the remainder of the street. The Transportation Engineer recommends a 60-day trial be implemented to determine if this is a suitable change and doesn't create an undue burden of traffic on Concord Street. See attached map with proposed directional change.

NV/ns  
9/26/18

Attachment

cc: Natasha Vance, Transportation Engineer  
John Cooper, Sign Division



TYLER ST

CHURCH ST

ANDOVER ST

PERRY ST

PLEASANT STREET

CONCORD STREET

HIGH ST

DO NOT ENTER  
SIGN HERE

LIMITS OF  
SUGGESTED 60-  
DAY TRIAL FOR  
ONE-WAY

ROGERS ST

PARK AV