



**City of Biddeford  
Traffic Committee**

February 25, 2025 at 6:00 PM  
City Hall Council Chambers & Zoom

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1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Minutes
  - 2.a Approval of Traffic Committee minutes for January 28, 2025
3. Staff Update
4. Discussion/Review
  - 4.a Discounted Parking Rate During Snow Removal Parking Bans
  - 4.b Review of parking on Lester B. Orcutt BLVD.
  - 4.c Review of May and Alfred Streets intersection.
  - 4.d Consideration of referring the Bike and Pedestrian Plan to the Sustainability Commission.
5. Adjourn

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Traffic Committee Meeting Minutes  
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1. Roll Call - The Committee was called to order at 6:00 PM by Police Chief JoAnne Fisk, Staff Liaison. Present: Mayor Martin Grohman, Councilor (Ward 3) Roger P. Beaupre, Councilor (Ward 2) Scott Whiting, Councilor (Ward 4) Dylan Doughty. Citizen Committee members: Tracie Bailey, Drew Guild, Sam Drummey as Student Representative.
2. On November 19, 2024 the City Council voted to amend *Part II-Code of Ordinances, Appendix A-Rules of the City Council Sec. A-5, Rule 5: Committees:*
  - e. The ~~Downtown~~ Traffic Committee shall consist of the Mayor, ~~four~~ three Council members, and two citizens ~~a member of the Downtown Development Commission. The Downtown Development Commission member shall serve as a nonvoting member except~~*  
*in the absence of a full-time voting member. The two citizen members shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council. A Chairperson, who shall be a councilor, shall be selected from the voting members.*
3. Councilor Whiting made a motion to nominate City Councilor Beaupre as Chairperson of the Traffic Committee. Unanimous vote.
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Adjustment(s) to Agenda – None
6. Approval of Minutes – First meeting
7. Discussion/Review –
  - Traffic Committee will meet the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month. Next meeting to be held on February 25, 2025 at 6:00 PM. In Council Chambers of City Hall.
  - Agenda items should be forwarded to Councilor Beaupre.
  - Discussion on parking concerns near East Point Sanctuary on Lester B. Orcutt Blvd. Introduction of Marnie Black and Les Smith representing Biddeford Pool Improvement Association. Maine Audubon representative Andy Beahm present via Zoom. Two options shall be reviewed by Chief Fisk and DPW Director Jeff Demers.
  - Discussion on changing the current two way stop at the intersection of George and Clifford Streets to a four way stop. Motion to send to City Council by Councilor Whiting, Seconded by Councilor Doughty. Vote to send to City Council unanimous.
  - Discussion on the intersection of Alfred and May Streets, making no left turn from May Street onto Alfred Street. Further discussion on lane shifting on Alfred Street upon approach to May west bound. Item tabled for further evaluation with Dept. of Transportation by Director Demers.

Motion to accept Councilor Beaupre

Motion seconded by Councilor Whiting

Vote: Unanimous

6. Adjourn – at 6:49 PM

Motion by Councilor Doughty , seconded by Councilor Whiting.



## Traffic Committee

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**Meeting Date:** February 25, 2025

**Meeting Time:** 6:00 PM

**Agenda Item** 4.a

**No:**

**Item** Discounted Parking Rate During Snow Removal Parking Bans

**Description:**

**Submitted By:** Jeff Demers, Public Works Director

Danica Lamontagne, Assistant to the City Manager

**Supporting Information/Documentation:**

None

**Key Terms:**

There are two different types of parking bans that the Public Works Department may call to address snow on our streets.

A **Snow Emergency Parking Ban** is called during an active snowstorm so that crews can safely plow the roads, and it is applicable citywide. During Snow Emergency Parking Bans, residents are currently permitted to park in certain Premium Parking-managed lots - the Pearl Street Parking Garage (P4301), the Washington Street Parking Lot (P4304) and the Water Street Parking Lots (P4307 and P4308) - for a \$5 fee per storm.

A **Snow Removal Parking Ban** is applicable to a short list of streets, typically in the downtown area, so that crews can widen roadways by removing snowbanks. Currently, the \$5 discounted rate is *not* active during Snow Removal Parking Bans.

**Executive Summary:**

In response to resident interest, the Public Works Department proposes a discounted overnight parking rate in Premium Parking lots during Snow Removal Parking Bans.

**Detailed Review:**

Throughout the particularly stormy month of February, we have received several inquiries from residents about parking in the Premium Parking lots during Snow Removal Parking Bans. At a \$2 rate per hour, the total cost for one night of parking in these lots is currently about \$22 per storm without the discounted rate. This amount is cost-prohibitive to one-night usage.

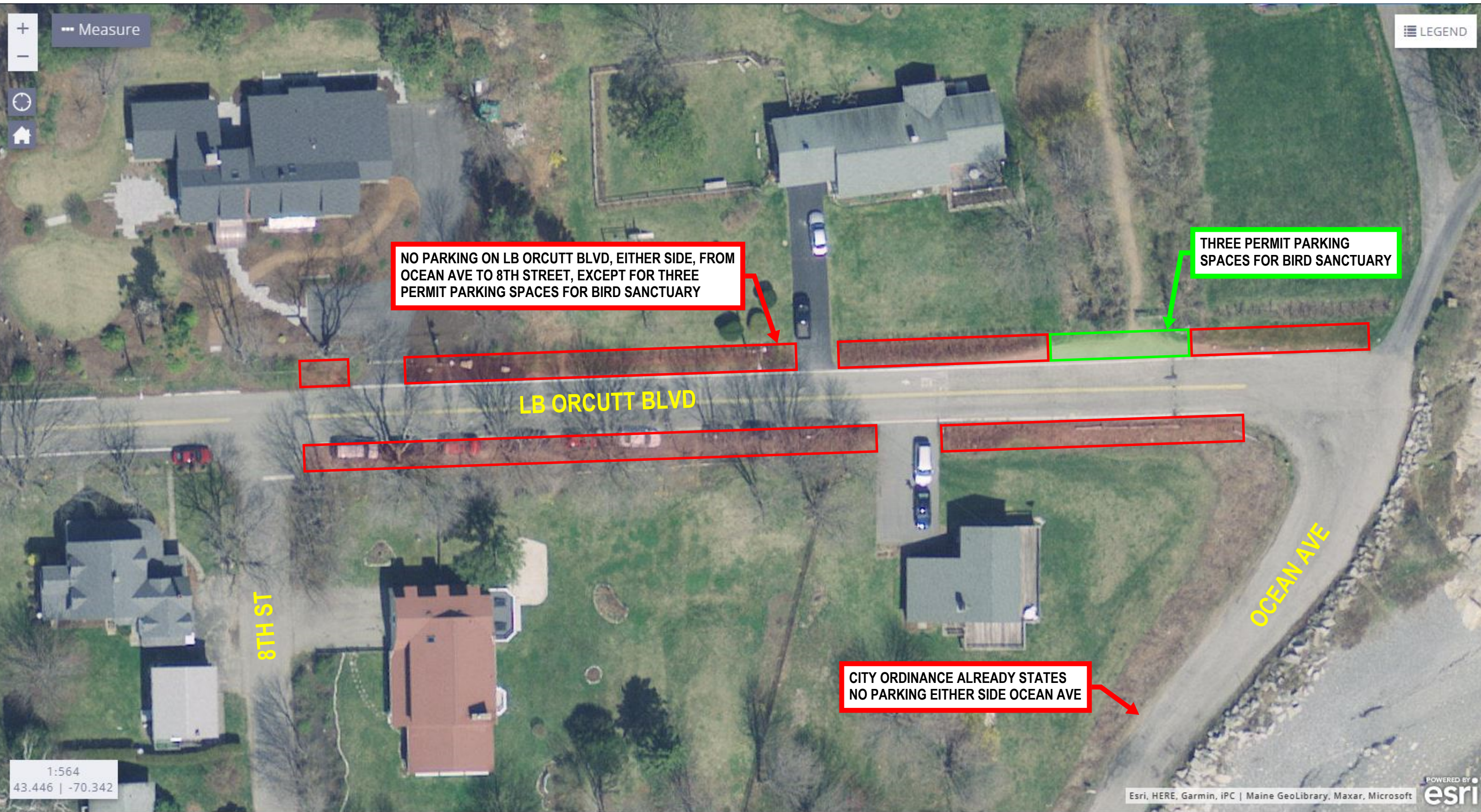
Activating the \$5 rate during Snow Removal Parking Bans may encourage a higher level of compliance with the parking bans, getting vehicles safely off the street and allowing Public Works crews to efficiently complete their overnight work.

**Funding Source:**

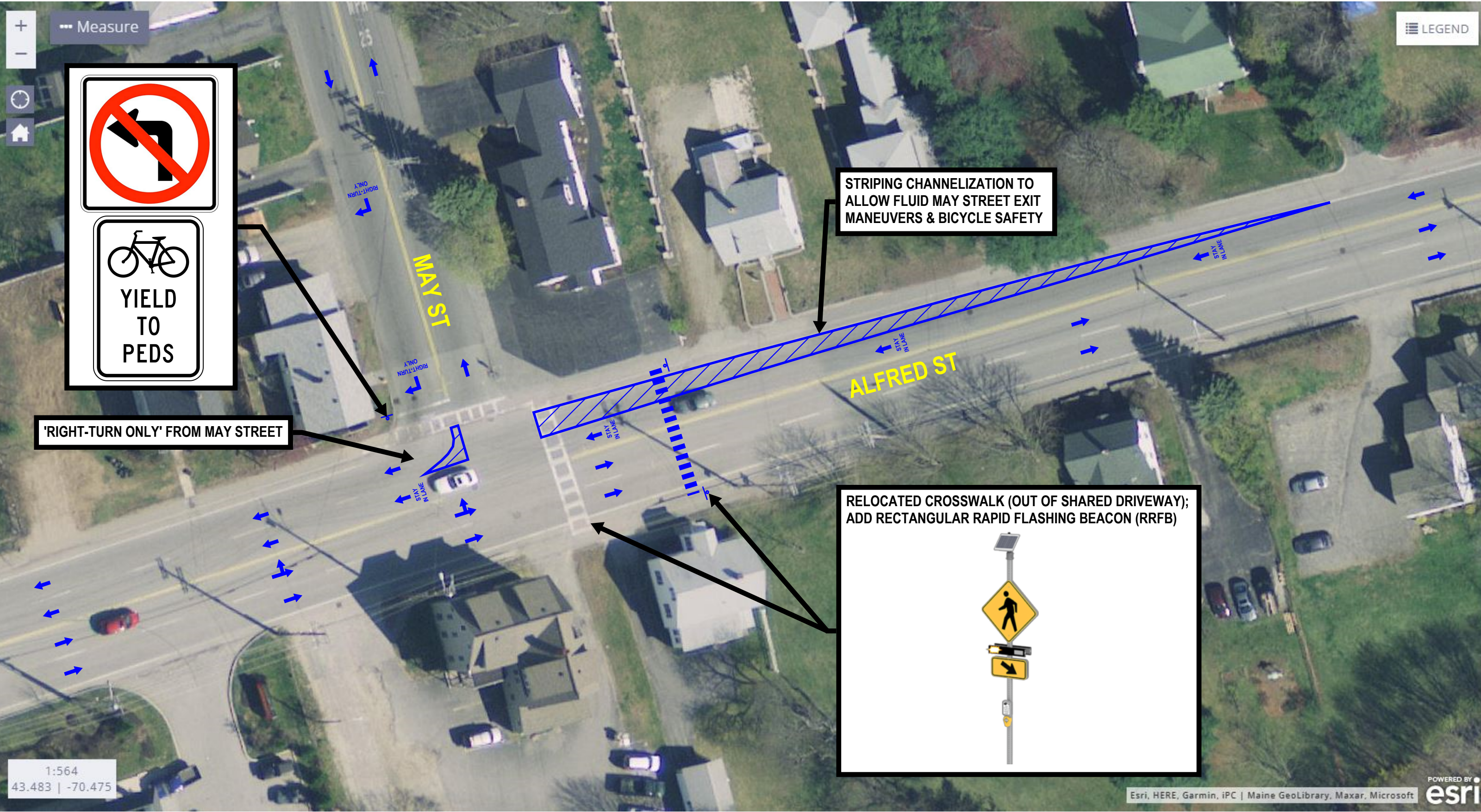
N/A

**Staff Recommendation:**

Expand the \$5 Parking Ban promotional rate in select lots managed by Premium Parking to apply during Snow Removal Parking Bans.



**L.B. ORCUTT BLVD - OCEAN AVE INTERSECTION**  
**PARKING EXHIBIT**  
**2025-02-18**



**MAY STREET - ALFRED STREET INTERSECTION**  
**TRAFFIC EXHIBIT**  
**2025-02-18**