

City of Northampton  
MASSACHUSETTS

In the Year Two Thousand Fourteen

Upon the Recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz

**ORDINANCE**

An Ordinance of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts, providing that the Code of Ordinances, City of Northampton, Massachusetts, be amended by revising section **312 § 14** of said code; providing that **Traffic Signs and Signals**

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Northampton, in City Council assembled, as follows: That section **312 § 14** of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts, be amended so that such section shall read as follows:

**SECTION 312 § 14 – Traffic Signs and Signals**

**Amend § 2, 14 as follows:**

Chapter 312. VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC

Delete § 2 in its entirety

~~§ 312-2. Traffic ordinance changes; duties of City Engineer~~

~~A.~~

~~It shall be the duty of the City Engineer, upon the request of the Mayor or any member of the City Council, Chief of Police, or Board of Public Works, to draw, in proper form, any proposed change in this chapter for submission to the City Council.~~

~~B.~~

~~All proposed changes in this chapter which are submitted to the City Council shall be referred to the Transportation and Parking Commission, which Commission shall report thereon to the City Council at the next meeting and as part of its report shall include a statement in writing by the City Engineer as to his opinion of the advisability of the proposed change on the basis of accepted traffic engineering practice.<sup>(4)</sup>~~

~~C.~~

~~Upon the adoption by the City Council of any change in this chapter, a certified copy of such change shall be furnished forthwith by the City Clerk to the Chief of Police, City Engineer, and Board of Public Works. The City Engineer shall then be required to issue, in conformance with the provisions of this chapter, such written directions as are necessary.~~

Article III. Traffic Signs, Signals, Markings and Zones

§ 312-14. Traffic signs and signals

A.

Subject to the written direction of the ~~City Engineer~~ **Director of Public Works or his/her designee**, the ~~Board~~ **Department** of Public Works is hereby authorized and as to those signs and signals required hereunder it shall be his duty, to place and maintain or cause to be placed and maintained all official traffic signs, signals, markings and safety zones. All signs, signals, markings and safety zones shall conform to the standards as prescribed by the Department of Public Works of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Article III. Traffic Signs, Signals, Markings and Zones

§ 312-20. Obedience to warning signs at bridges and overpasses

A.

Subject to the direction of the ~~City Engineer~~ **Director of Public Works or his/her designee**, a warning sign shall be placed at any location where a bridge or overpass of any type crosses a public street. Such sign shall state, at a minimum, the height of the bridge or overpass and shall be affixed directly onto the facade of the bridge or overpass or in an area immediately adjacent to the bridge or overpass.