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**Department of Public
Works**

Memo

To: Steven Contente, Town Administrator
From: Christopher J. Parella, Director of Public Works
cc: Melissa Cordeiro, Town Clerk
Date: February 22, 2022
Re: Recommendation-Michael C. Balzano, 155 Bradford Street, request for accessible parking space

Administrator Contente,

At your request, I have reviewed this Petition requesting an accessible parking space in front of 155 Bradford Street. Subsequent to my review, I have no issues with the granting of this request.

According to the Petitioner's wife, Michael is disabled and his mobility is significantly limited. She states that Michael can make it up the stairs that lead from the street level up to the sidewalk where his front door is located, however there are many times when there is no parking on the street anywhere near the residence, making for an extremely long walk just to get to the stairs. It should be noted that there is no off-street parking available for the resident. The principal address is 155 Bradford Street, which is on the North side of Bradford Street near the intersection of Murphy Avenue. This block of Bradford Street (between Wood Street and Murphy Avenue) is densely populated and also is extremely busy with business traffic throughout the day and nighttime. I can understand why finding a parking space could be an issue for a resident who is disabled. The granting of an accessible parking space in this case would not negatively impact the number of parking spaces in the area since the vehicle belonging to the Petitioner would be parked on the street anyway.

Please advise if you have any additional questions or concerns.

