



# City of Somerville, Massachusetts

## Traffic and Parking Committee

### Meeting Minutes Dispositions

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**Monday, March 24, 2025**

**6:00 PM**

**Virtual**

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The meeting took place remotely via Zoom and was called to order at 6:03 PM by Chair Sait and adjourned at 7:32 PM on a roll call vote of 3 in favor (Councilors Wilson, Burnley and Sait), none against and none absent.

Others present:

Director Brad Rawson – Mobility, Director Brian Postlewaite - Engineering, Deputy Chief James Donovan – SPD, Suzanne Rinfrett – Parking, Peter Forcellese – Legislative Clerk.

#### **Roll Call**

**Present:** Ward Five City Councilor Naima Sait, City Councilor At Large Willie Burnley Jr. and City Councilor At Large Jake Wilson

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Traffic and Parking Committee Meeting of February 24, 2025. [25-0361](#)

Accepted

**Aye:** Ward Five City Councilor Sait, City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr. and City Councilor At Large Wilson

2. That the Director of Mobility install speed humps on Elmwood Street. [25-0511](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Pineda Neufeld

Recommended to be marked work completed

3. That the Director of Engineering provide an update on the construction of the Lowell Street crosswalk facing the Magoun Square Green Line station. [25-0490](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Sait

Recommended to be marked work completed

4. That the Director of Engineering and the Director of Mobility shorten the cycle time of the traffic light at the intersection of Medford Street and Lowell Street. [25-0480](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Sait

Recommended to be marked work completed

5. That the Chief of Police increase traffic enforcement at the intersection of Broadway and Medford Street. [25-0479](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Sait

Recommended to be marked work completed

6. That the Commissioner of Public Works install two safety bollards on the sidewalk at the intersection of Medford Street and Broadway. [25-0478](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Sait

Recommended to be marked work completed

7. That the Director of Parking update the Ward 1 City Councilor on the recently installed signs prohibiting parking during snow emergencies on Otis Street. [25-0472](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor McLaughlin

Recommended to be marked work completed

8. That the Chief of Police prioritize Otis Street for traffic enforcement during school drop off and pick up times. [25-0471](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor McLaughlin and Councilor Wilson

Recommended to be marked work completed

9. That the Director of Engineering and Director of Mobility install a traffic signal light at the end of Woods Avenue and Alewife Brook Parkway. [25-0461](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Mbah

Recommended to be marked work completed

10. That the Director of Mobility and Director of Engineering discuss with this Council the effectiveness of speed cushions as a traffic calming measure and potential applications on key Fire Department response routes. [25-0394](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Wilson

Recommended to be marked work completed

11. Director of Parking responding to item #25-0084 regarding the Citywide Parking and Curb Use Study. [25-0362](#)

Recommended to be marked work completed

12. That the Director of Mobility design measures to improve pedestrian safety at Summer Street and Porter Street. [25-0352](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Ewen-Campen

Recommended to be marked work completed

13. That the Director of Mobility design measures to improve pedestrian safety at the intersection of Columbus Avenue and Prospect Hill Parkway. [25-0351](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Ewen-Campen

Recommended to be marked work completed

14. That the Director of Mobility prioritize North Street for speed humps and other traffic calming measures. [25-0231](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Pineda Neufeld

Recommended to be marked work completed

15. That the Director of Parking place NO IDLING signs on New Washington Street, behind the Cobble Hill complex, to discourage large truck idling by the senior homes. [25-0139](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor McLaughlin

Recommended to be marked work completed

16. That the Chief of Police, the Director of Parking and the Director of Mobility discuss the previous and ongoing strategy for implementation and public education of drivers violating the NO LEFT TURN signage at the Somerville High School exit on Highland Avenue and Vinal Avenue. [25-0038](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Strezo

Recommended to be marked work completed