

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMITTEE Committee Meeting

Wednesday - May 13, 2015, 6:00 PM Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

AGENDA

- 1. Approval of the January 29, 2015 Minutes
- **2. 196786: Discuss** (Rossetti, McLaughlin, Sullivan, Connolly, White Jr.) That the Director of Traffic and Parking reassess the timing of traffic lights on McGrath Highway, near Assembly Square, under the overpass heading toward Broadway, and at the intersection of Mount Vernon Street at Broadway.
- **3. 196849: Discuss** (McLaughlin) That the Director of Traffic and Parking post a NO RIGHT TURN 7AM-9AM on Broadway, at MacArthur Street, to limit traffic on MacArthur Street.
- **4. 196901: Discuss** (Niedergang, McWatters) That the Director of Traffic and Parking place signs at Porter and Elm Streets, and at Porter and Summer Streets, prohibiting thru traffic on lower Porter Street 6-9 AM and 4-7 PM.
- **5. 196902: Discuss** (Niedergang, McWatters) That the Director of Traffic and Parking install temporary speed bumps on lower Porter Street, between Summer and Elm Streets, to reduce traffic speed.
- **6. 197506: Discuss** (Sullivan, Lafuente, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.) That the City Clerk request of DCR that a sign be installed at Route 16 and Shore Drive, warning motorists of the recently installed raised crosswalk.
- 7. 197507: Discuss (Sullivan, McLaughlin, Connolly, White Jr., Rossetti) That the Director

- of Traffic and Parking install a temporary speed bump at the corner Sunnyside Avenue and Wigglesworth Street during the school year.
- **8. 197635: Discuss** (Gewirtz) That the Director of Traffic and Parking explore the feasibility of making College Avenue two lanes, heading south into Davis Square, on weekday mornings.
- **9. 197716: Discuss** (Gewirtz) That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Commissioner of Public Works respond, in writing, to #197635, a request for College Avenue to have two lanes of traffic headed into Davis Square on weekday mornings.
- **10. 197743: Discuss** (Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang) That the Administration increase the inventory of temporary speed bumps and promote their use in areas where cut through traffic is temporarily increased.
- **11. 197745: Discuss** (Heuston) That the Director of Traffic and Parking place a solar powered speed board on Hammond Street to monitor speeding cut through traffic.
- **12. 197746: Discuss** (Heuston) That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a temporary speed bump on Hammond Street.
- **13. 197874: Discuss** (McLaughlin) That the Director of Traffic and Parking devise a plan to deal with traffic issues on the corner of Mount Vernon Street and Broadway.
- **14. 197877: Discuss** (Lafuente) That the Director of Traffic and Parking install NO PARKING signs on either side of the fire hydrant in front of 21 23 Sargent Avenue.
- **15. 197888: Discuss** (Sullivan, McWatters, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.) That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a crosswalk on Central Street, between Highland Avenue and Summer Street.
- **16. 197919: Discuss** (Rossetti, Sullivan, Heuston) That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installation of a blinking traffic light at the crosswalk at 530 Somerville Avenue.
- **17. 197965: Discuss** (Heuston) That the Director of Traffic and Parking make recommendations to deal with speeding vehicles on Hammond and Elliot streets.
- **18. 197970: Discuss** (Niedergang) That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the pop-up caution signs that have disappeared from the crosswalk at Morrison Avenue and Highland

Road. (2nd request)

- **19. 197973: Discuss** (Niedergang) That the Director of Traffic and Parking analyze the traffic signals in Magoun Square and report to the Ward 5 Alderman whether any changes can be made to facilitate traffic flow, especially cars backed up on Medford Street during the evening rush hour.
- **20. 197981: Discuss** (McWatters) That the Commissioner of Public Works determine if it is feasible to place a bump out at the corner of Bonner and Columbus Avenues.
- **21. 198024: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 10/9/14.
- **22. 198098: Discuss** (Sullivan, McLaughlin, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.) That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a NOT A THRU WAY sign at the entrance of Cobble Hill Apartments on Washington Street.
- **23. 198108: Discuss** (Ballantyne) That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a mid-block crosswalk with lights/signs at the North Street Veterans Playground, either at Hamilton Road or directly in front of the playground entrance.
- **24. 198154: Discuss** (Heuston) That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a temporary speed bump on Hammond Street.
- **25. 198155: Discuss** (Heuston) That the Director of Traffic and Parking implement a pedestrian safety plan for Webster Avenue at the Cambridge border, to support the residents on Webster Avenue and Norfolk Street.
- **26. 198202: Discuss** (Heuston) That the Administration include in a petition to MA DOT, a request to lower the speed limit to 25 mph on Laurel St., Newton St., and Concord Ave.
- **27. 198256: Discuss** DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 11/13/14.
- **28. 198257: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 11/13/14.
- 29. 198294: Discuss Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders

- **30. 198422: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 11/25/14.
- **31. 198650: Discuss** (McWatters) That the Director of Traffic and Parking determine if there is an adequate sight line for motorists turning left onto Central Street from Oxford Street.
- **32. 198725: Discuss** (Heuston, McWatters) That the Director of SPCD update this Board on the status of Mass DOT work on McGrath Highway.
- **33. 198726: Discuss** (Heuston, McWatters) The Directors of Traffic and Parking and SPCD inform this Board of the notification plans to residents, property owners and businesses, regarding changes to the parking regulations along Medford Street in conjunction with the Mass DOT McGrath Highway project.
- **34. 198779: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 3/26/15.
- **35. 198780: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 3/12/15.
- **36. 198924: Discuss** (White Jr., Lafuente, Sullivan, Rossetti, Connolly) That the Traffic Engineer arrange for two lanes at the intersection of Shore Drive and Mystic Avenue and report to the Traffic Commission on efforts to re-calibrate the signalization there.
- **37. 198946: Discuss** (Lafuente) That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider changing the traffic flow on Medford Street, from Pearl Street to McGrath Highway, to flow with the rush hour traffic.
- **38. 198958: Discuss** (White Jr., Lafuente, Sullivan) That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint appropriate roadway markings at the speed bump on Shore Drive to alert drivers as they approach it.
- **39. 198959: Discuss** (White Jr., McLaughlin) That the Traffic Engineer examine the rotary at Grand Union Blvd. and River Road for safety and install appropriate signage.
- **40. 198964: Discuss** (McWatters, Rossetti, Sullivan, Connolly, White Jr.) That the Commissioner of Public Works or the Director of Traffic and Parking install a bump out at

the corner of Columbus and Bonner Avenues.

- **41. 199057: Discuss** (Ballantyne) That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the lane arrows at the traffic light on Holland Street, in Teele Square.
- **42. 199058: Discuss** (Ballantyne) That the Director of Traffic and Parking appear before this Board to discuss the on-street parking permits given to Tufts University employees.
- **43. 199060: Discuss** (Heuston) That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair and install solar flashing lights on the pedestrian crossing sign at the crosswalk of Washington and Hawkins Streets.
- **44. 199061: Discuss** (Heuston) That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the crosswalk at Joseph Street and Lincoln Parkway and install flashing lights at the STOP sign there.
- **45. 199062: Discuss** (Heuston) That the Director of Traffic and Parking install signage on Park Street alerting motorists of children crossing at 44 Park Street.
- **46. 199065: Discuss** (Sullivan, Rossetti, Heuston, McWatters, White Jr., Connolly) That the Traffic Engineer review the pedestrian walkway on Somerville Avenue at the RITE AID, and make safety improvements.