



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS  
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMITTEE  
Committee Meeting

Wednesday - September 9, 2015, 6:00 PM  
Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

**AGENDA**

1. **Approval of the May 13, 2015 Minutes**
2. **196185: Discuss** (Heuston) – That the Commissioner of Public Works provide a timeline to replace the traffic signal at the intersection of Washington and Beacon Streets.
3. **196311: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Administration report to this Board the timetable for using the \$220,000 in traffic mitigation funds paid by Maxwell's Green in 2011 for traffic-slowing measures on both sides of the Lowell Street bridge.
4. **196436: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Administration report to this Board on plans to slow traffic on Lowell Street, make its intersections safer, and use the \$220,000 contributed by Maxwell's Green for traffic calming.
5. **197023: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of SPCD (T&I) develop a plan for a pedestrian crosswalk at Vernon Street and Lowell Street and report to this Board and the Ward 5 Alderman on how that would be incorporated into the Lowell Street bridge traffic calming project.
6. **197707: Discuss** (Heuston) – That the Traffic Commission consider eliminating the requirement that before a temporary speed bump can be installed, 66% of residents on the street must formally agree to request it.
7. **197890: Discuss** (Sullivan, Gewirtz, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Superintendent of Inspectional Services update this Board on

safety measures undertaken at the Elm Street bus stop located in front of Dunkin Donuts.

8. **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.
9. **198570: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking inform this Board and the School Committee about enforcing parking regulations during street cleaning near schools in the morning between 8 and 8:30 AM.
10. **198725: Discuss** (Heuston, McWatters) – That the Director of SPCD update this Board on the status of Mass DOT work on McGrath Highway.
11. **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.
12. **199135: Discuss** (Ballantyne) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the damaged NO LEFT TURN sign at Cameron Avenue and Mead Street.
13. **199137: Discuss** (Ballantyne) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking confirm whether parking is allowed in the middle of the end of Fairmount Street abutting Russell Road, and address installing a NO PARKING sign there.
14. **199244: Discuss** (Ballantyne) – That the Commissioner of Public Works or the Director of Traffic and Parking install traffic calming measures on Cameron Avenue and Clarendon Avenue.
15. **199269: Discuss** (Heuston) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the missing Hanson street sign at Village and Hanson Streets and install a ONE WAY sign for Hanson Street.
16. **199271: Discuss** (Heuston) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking re-paint crosswalk striping on Somerville Avenue to distinguish the brick paved pedestrian crosswalks.
17. **199278: Discuss** (Niedergang, McWatters) – That the Mayor's Office provide to this Board by June 11, the consultant's study on the Traffic Commission's regulations for the public process to request traffic calming measures.
18. **199280: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Commissioner of Public Works report to this Board on the placement of NO IDLING signs

at all public schools.

19. **199281: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking or the Commissioner of Public Works prevent vehicles from parking on the east side of Cedar Street at the Community Path Extension, as automotive fluids are staining the Path Extension.
20. **199282: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking suggest traffic calming measures on Pembroke Street to slow traffic that cuts through to avoid the traffic light at Central and Medford Streets.
21. **199283: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installing a NO PARKING spot on the south side of Vernon Street at Trull Street to allow fire engines to turn onto Trull Street, and report back to the Ward 5 Alderman.
22. **199343: Discuss** (McLaughlin, Sullivan) – That the Administration arrange for members of the Boxing Club to park in the East Somerville Community School parking lot weekdays 4-9PM.
23. **199360: Discuss** DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 4/23/15.
24. **199362: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 4/23/15.
25. **199415: Recommend** (Rossetti) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider changing the signage on side streets that only allow access to abutters at certain times of the day, by changing the word abutters to residents.
26. **199456: Discuss** (McLaughlin) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking conduct a traffic study on Lincoln and Perkins Streets and propose traffic calming measures.
27. **199462: Discuss** (Heuston) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking install solar blinking lights at the pedestrian crossing at 270 Washington Street.
28. **199463: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider traffic calming measures to reduce the speed of vehicles around Hoyt-Sullivan Park, including applying to reduce the speed limit on the entirety of Central Street to 20 or 25 mph.

29. **199563: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 5/14/15.
30. **199564: Discuss** DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 5/28/15.
31. **199571: Discuss** (White Jr.) – That the Committee on Traffic and Parking investigate why the directive in #198726, regarding notification to residents, property owners, and businesses of changes to parking regulations along Medford Street with respect to the McGrath Highway project, was not complied with.
32. **199586: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Director of the Office of Sustainability and the Environment report to this Board on the design, placement, effectiveness and enforcement of “NO IDLING” signs by all schools.
33. **199662: Discuss** (Rossetti, Gewirtz, Connolly, White Jr.) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installing a crosswalk at 64 College Avenue.
34. **199690: Discuss** (Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Chief of Police inspect, monitor and develop a plan to control the speed of traffic on Medford Street, between Central and School Streets.
35. **199691: Discuss** (Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking inspect the corners of James and Marshall Streets, at their intersection with Pearl Street, and suggest a plan to increase visibility for motorists who are turning onto Pearl Street.
36. **199693: Discuss** (Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a crosswalk at the intersection of Thurston and Fenwick Streets and Broadway.
37. **199697: Discuss** (McWatters, Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.) – That the Chief of Police order directed patrols on Greenville Street from 7 to 9 AM and 4 to 6 PM, to ensure that motorists aren't illegally cutting through Prospect Hill.
38. **199700: Discuss** (White Jr., Lafuente, Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti) – That the Traffic Commission consider installing a temporary speed bump on Governor Winthrop Road near Grimmons Park to protect children from speeding vehicles.
39. **199707: Discuss** (Ballantyne) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking report to the Ward 7 Alderman on a plan to clear up the confusing signage at Capen Street, 405 Alewife Brook

Parkway and Capen Court.

- 40. 199752: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Director responding to #199586 re: "No Idling" signage at schools.