



# City of Somerville, Massachusetts

## Traffic and Parking Committee

### Meeting Minutes Dispositions

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**Monday, September 18, 2023**

**6:00 PM**

**Virtual**

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The meeting took place virtually via Zoom and was called to order at 6:09 PM by Chair Gomez Mouakad and adjourned at 8:04 PM on a roll call vote of 3 in favor (Councilors Ewen-Campen, Wilson and Gomez Mouakad), none against and none absent.

Others present:

Brad Rawson - Director of Mobility, Justin Schreiber – Mobility, Kate White - Mobility, Peter Forcellese – Legislative Clerk.

#### **Roll Call**

**Present:** Chairperson Beatriz Gomez Mouakad , Vice Chair Jake Wilson and Ben Ewen-Campen

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Traffic & Parking Committee Meeting of March 27, 2023. [23-0516](#)

Accepted

**Aye:** Chairperson Gomez Mouakad, Vice Chair Wilson and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

2. Approval of the Minutes of the Traffic and Parking Committee Meeting of May 31, 2023. [23-0962](#)

Accepted

**Aye:** Chairperson Gomez Mouakad, Vice Chair Wilson and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

#### Studies and Policies

3. Requesting approval of the Citywide Bicycle Network Plan. [23-0585](#)

Recommended to be approved

**Aye:** Chairperson Gomez Mouakad, Vice Chair Wilson and Ward Three City Councilor Ewen-Campen

#### Traffic Calming

4. That the Commissioner of Public Works install high visibility flexible bollards at all entrances to the Community Path from a vehicular road, to prevent the entry of non-authorized vehicles into the path. [23-0289](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Gomez Mouakad, Councilor Wilson, Councilor Burnley Jr. and Councilor Ewen-Campen

Recommended to be marked work completed

5. That the Director of Mobility and the Director of Engineering integrate traffic calming measures on Hudson and Summer Streets and plan for the work to be implemented prior to the start of the Highland Avenue improvement construction. [23-0900](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Gomez Mouakad

Recommended to be marked work completed

6. That the Director of Mobility develop a strategy for the implementation of speed radar detectors on north-south cut-through streets throughout the city, including but not limited to Central Street and Cedar Street. [23-0901](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Gomez Mouakad

Recommended to be marked work completed

7. That the Director of Mobility, Director of Engineering, Director of Parking, and Commissioner of Public Works establish criteria and guidelines for Council orders to be submitted for traffic calming and mobility related issues and items that should be submitted to 311 to ensure the City Council is addressing larger mobility strategic planning issues. [23-0902](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Gomez Mouakad and Councilor Pineda Neufeld

Kept in committee

8. That the Director of Mobility design traffic calming infrastructure for Laurel Street, which sees large volumes of high speed, one-way traffic down a steep hill. [23-1281](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Ewen-Campen, Councilor Scott, Councilor Strezo, Councilor Wilson, Councilor Burnley Jr. and Councilor Kelly

Kept in committee

Other

9. That the Director of Mobility update this Council on plans to expand bicycle parking in the city, with a focus on Davis Square and Union Square including potentially using intersection daylighting spaces for bike racks. [23-1312](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Wilson, Councilor Davis and Councilor Ewen-Campen

Recommended to be marked work completed

10. That the Director of Mobility work with relevant departments and divisions to install wayfinding signage on the Community Path, including freeway exit-style signage on the Community Path Extension, given that segment's limited access.

[23-1297](#)

**Sponsors:** Councilor Wilson

Recommended to be marked work completed