

CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMITTEE Committee Meeting

Monday - February 28, 2022, 6:00 PM Virtual

AGENDA

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1. Approval of the January 24, 2022 Minutes

Studies

- 2. 212958: Discuss (Ewen-Campen, GomezMouakad) That the Director of Parking provide regular updates on the status of the Parking Utilization Study.
- **3. 212957: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen, GomezMouakad) That the Director of Mobility provide regular updates on the work towards a comprehensive bicycle, pedestrian, and MBTA plan.

Ongoing Projects - New Business

- 4. 212867: Discuss (Wilson) That the Director of Mobility update this Council on efforts to establish a 20 MPH speed limit for all neighborhood residential streets.
- 5. 212972: Discuss (Wilson, BurnleyJr.) That the Director of Mobility update this Council on efforts to reduce cut-through vehicle traffic on neighborhood residential streets.

- 6. 213076: Discuss (BurnleyJr., PinedaNeufeld, Davis, Wilson, Kelly, Scott, Ewen-Campen) That the Director of Mobility conduct an equity study of bus routes to determine targets for fare-free buses.
- 7. 213060: Discuss (Wilson) That the Director of Mobility update this Council on future plans for pedestrian "beg" buttons, which were disabled in favor of automatic signaling during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 8. 212973: Discuss (Wilson) That the Director of Parking update this Council on the suitability of existing parking for seniors and explore additional options for selected street parking in central business districts.
- **9. 212870: Discuss** (Wilson) That the Director of Mobility and the Director of Parking collaborate with the Fire Department to address problematic parking within 20 feet of intersections.
- **10. 212966: Discuss** (GomezMouakad) That the Administration provide a report for all departments using city vehicles for non-emergency services, detailing the measures taken to ensure that staff follow traffic regulations, including the hands free while driving law, and maintain maximum traffic safety while driving.
- **11. 213039: Discuss** (Scott, GomezMouakad, Kelly, Wilson, BurnleyJr.) That the Director of Mobility replace the HAWK signal at Buckingham and Beacon Streets with a standard RYG stoplight signal.

Traffic Calming - New Business

- **12. 212980: Discuss** (McLaughlin, BurnleyJr., Strezo) That the Director of Mobility utilize traffic calming measures on the corner of Rush and Cross Streets to address speeding and traffic issues that contributed to a crossing guard being hit by a car.
- **13. 212982: Discuss** (PinedaNeufeld, Kelly, Wilson, Clingan, BurnleyJr.) That the Director of Mobility install traffic calming in the crosswalk in front of 1370 Broadway.
- 14. 213042: Discuss (Scott, Wilson, Kelly) That the Director of Mobility install a speed hump at the base of Somerville Avenue Extension where it intersects with Linwood and Fitchburg Streets.
- **15. 213046: Discuss** (GomezMouakad, Kelly) That the Director of Mobility implement traffic calming measures on Cedar Street.

Traffic Calming - Ongoing

- **16. 212800: Discuss** (Clingan, Kelly, Strezo) That the Director of Mobility and the Commissioner of Public Works install permanent speed bumps on Sycamore Street between Medford Street and Evergreen Avenue.
- **17. 212802: Discuss** (Clingan, Wilson, Kelly) That the Director of Mobility and the Commissioner of Public Works install speed bumps on Jacques Street, between Temple Street and Edgar Avenue.
- **18. 212803: Discuss** (Clingan) That the Director of Mobility daylight the intersections noted within.
- **19. 212868: Discuss** (Wilson) That the Director of Mobility employ quick-build daylighting and traffic calming measures to improve visibility and compliance with the STOP sign on Jacques Street at its intersection with Edgar Avenue.

State Related Projects

20. 213040: Discuss (Scott) – That the Director of Mobility and the Director of Engineering provide a written timeline regarding the upcoming MassDOT replacement of the Webster Street rail bridge and explain what public input process will be followed locally.