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COUNCIL ORDER RESPONSE

Date: 28 November 2022
To: Somerville City Council
From: Brian C. Postlewaite, Director of Engineering
CC: Rich Raiche, Brad Rawson, Suzanne Rinfret, Hannah Carrillo
RE: Council Orders for Traffic & Parking Committee

In the recent months, the City Council approved several Orders addressed Engineering, Parking and Mobility regarding street construction throughout the city. Below are responses to these Orders. We will be available for additional conversation on these topics and other agenda items during the Traffic & Parking Committee meeting this evening.

- 221689: That the Director of Engineering develop a plan to redesign the intersection of Broadway and Main Street.
 - Response: The Engineering & Mobility Divisions have been coordinating internally and with the MBTA to improve the traffic signal operations at this location. This intersection is not currently in the 5-year plan. This will be reevaluated in the winter to determine where it might be in upcoming years.
- 221723: That the Director of Mobility update this Council on plans to place a stop light near the new East Somerville Green Line station.
 - Response: The Engineering & Mobility Divisions have assessed the need to install a traffic signal at this location, which will require coordination with the longer-term design plans for this area, including a new intersection with New Washington, floating bus stops and improved crosswalks. In the interim, GLX-C will be refreshing crosswalks and installing flashing crosswalk signs.
- 221728: That the Director of Engineering repaint the crosswalk at Tufts and Washington Streets.
 - Response: The City is coordinating with GLX-C & MBTA to execute this fall.
- 221729: That the Director of Engineering ensure that the bus lane on Washington Street, before the train bridge, is visible.
 - Response: The City is coordinating with GLX-C & MBTA to execute this fall. In addition this will be part of a larger design implementation discussed in item 22-1723.



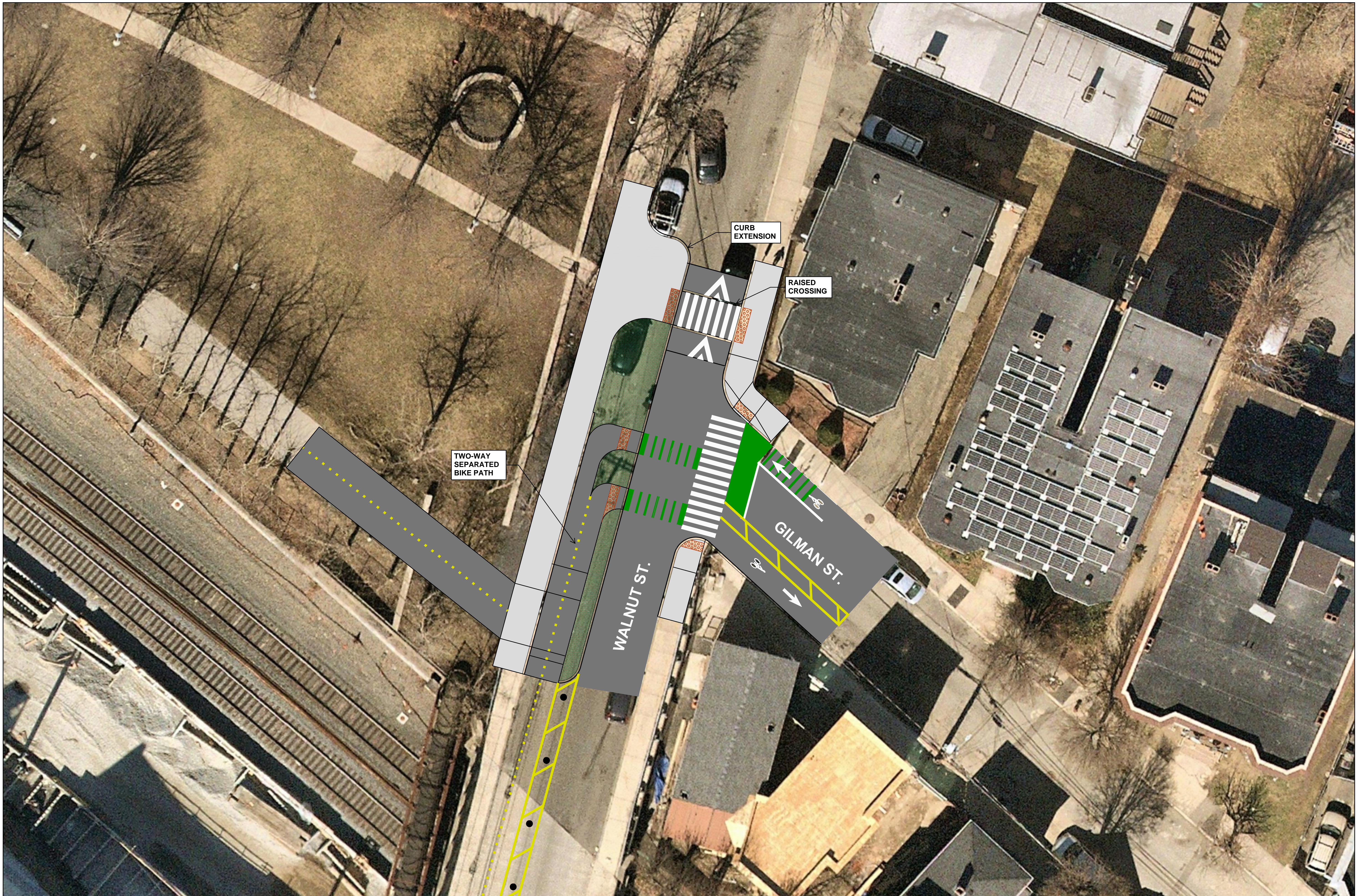


- 221733: That the Director of Mobility update this Council on plans to place a ramp on Walnut Street, by Leather's Park, as part of the Neighborways program.
 - The Engineering Division has included a new ramp at this location in the current annual streetscapes contract. We anticipate the construction in 2023. The design for this intersection is attached.
- 221724: That the Director of Parking place a STOP sign on Tufts Street's intersection with Washington Street and ensure its visibility to vehicle operators.
 - The Parking Department coordinated with Engineering & Mobility to replace the stop signs at Tufts and Washington. This was completed.

We look forward to discussing the above items and the remainder of the agenda this evening.

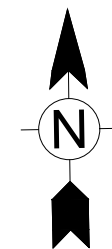


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