



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS  
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMITTEE  
Committee Meeting

Monday - March 15, 2021, 6:00 PM  
Virtual

**AGENDA**

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Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. C. 30A, s. 18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, as well as Mayor Curtatone's Declaration of Emergency, dated March 15, 2020, this meeting of a City Council Committee will be conducted via remote participation. We will post an audio recording, audio-video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of these proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting on the City of Somerville website and local cable access government channels.

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**1. Approval of the February 8, 2021 Minutes**

**Bicycle Master Plan**

- 2. 209758: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen, Ballantyne) – That the Director of SPCD update this Council on creating a Bicycle Master Plan, and requiring that future road work adhere to this plan.
- 3. 208041: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen, Scott, Clingan, Ballantyne, Davis, Niedergang, Rossetti, McLaughlin, Hirsch, Mbah, White Jr.) – That the Director of SPCD and the Bicycle Committee update this Council's Traffic and Parking Committee on establishing a comprehensive city-wide bicycle plan.
- 4. 206406: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen, Niedergang, Clingan) – That the Bicycle Advisory

Committee appear before this Board's Traffic and Parking Committee to present their recent activities, priorities and outlook.

### **Highland Ave. Protected Bicycle Lanes**

5. **211132: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen, Niedergang, Ballantyne, Strezo, Davis, Mbah) – That the Spring Hill Streetscapes design team continue to work closely with the Somerville Bicycle Committee and Somerville Bicycle Safety to propose improved bicycle safety infrastructure on and near the redesigned Highland Avenue, balanced with pedestrian safety, MBTA bus improvements, and ADA infrastructure.
6. **211243: Discuss** (Ballantyne) – That the Director of Mobility and the Director of Infrastructure and Asset Management collaborate to write responses to the questions contained within regarding the Spring Hill separation project.

### **College Ave./Holland St. Project**

7. **210895: Discuss** (Davis, Ewen-Campen, Scott, Clingan, Ballantyne, Strezo, Niedergang, Rossetti, McLaughlin, Mbah, White Jr.) – That the Director of Capital Projects revise the College Avenue reconstruction plan to include additional safety measures for pedestrians at both perpendicular and parallel crossings.
8. **203446: Discuss** (Ballantyne) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking install additional pedestrian safety measures at the intersection of Holland Street and Cameron Avenue.
9. **211339: Discuss** (Ballantyne) – That Director of Mobility and the Chief Fire Engineer discuss the potential impacts to the Teele Square Firehouse from the proposed Holland Street/Teele Square infrastructure and repaving work.

### **Powderhouse Blvd. Bike Lanes & Powderhouse Circle**

10. **207997: Discuss** 10 residents submitting comments re: #204323, a proposal for Powderhouse Blvd. safe bicycling.
11. **208110: Discuss** 6 residents submitting comments re: #204323, a proposal for Powderhouse Blvd. safe bicycling.
12. **208227: Discuss** 3 residents submitting comments re: #204323, a proposal for Powderhouse Blvd. safe bicycling.
13. **208313: Discuss** 3 residents submitting comments re: #204323, a proposal for Powderhouse Blvd. safe bicycling.
14. **208448: Discuss** 2 residents submitting comments re: #204323, a proposal for Powderhouse

Blvd. safe bicycling.

15. **209045: Discuss** Rachel Turek submitting comments re: #204323, a proposal for Powderhouse Blvd. safe bicycling.
16. **210900: Discuss** (Davis, Ewen-Campen, Scott, Clingan, Ballantyne, Strezo, Niedergang, Rossetti, McLaughlin, Mbah, White Jr.) – That the Director of SPCD update the Ward 6 Councilor on previously discussed plans to reconfigure the Powder House Traffic Circle.

#### **Bile Lanes on East Broadway**

17. **209808: Discuss** (McLaughlin, Ballantyne, Clingan) – That the Director of SPCD develop a plan to create parking-separated bike lanes on East Broadway.

#### **Dangerous Intersections and Roadways**

18. **210965: Discuss** (Niedergang, Mbah, Strezo, Davis) – That the Director of SPCD report to this Council in writing by December 4, and discuss with the Traffic and Parking Committee at its next meeting on December 7, what the plan is for replacing flex posts when they are knocked over or displaced.
19. **24316 :** (Mbah) - install x-walk at Woods Ave/Rt 16 \*  
\* (This item is expected to be referred to this Committee by the City Council on March 11, 2021.)
20. **210898: Discuss** (Davis, Ewen-Campen, Scott, Clingan, Ballantyne, Strezo, Niedergang, Rossetti, McLaughlin, Mbah, White Jr.) – That the Director of SPCD update the Ward 6 Councilor on any plans to further improve pedestrian safety at the intersection of Willow Avenue, Elm Street and Beech Street, possibly with a center island and bump outs.
21. **202108: Discuss** (Davis) – That the Administration work with the City of Cambridge to improve pedestrian safety at the intersections of Elm Street with Beech Street and Willow Avenue, including consideration of a Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon.

#### **Housekeeping - Items to be completed if no objection**

22. **211254: Discuss** (Niedergang, Mbah) – Sharing the Somerville Alliance for Safe Streets Declaration and Call to Action and inviting everyone to attend the SASS virtual Summit on February 28, 2021 from 4-5 PM.
23. **211052: Discuss** (Niedergang, Mbah, Ballantyne, Ewen-Campen) – That the Director of SomerStat, the Director of SPCD, and the Director of Parking re-convene the Parking Study Task Force in January 2021.

- 24. 208684: Discuss** (Hirsch, Ballantyne, McLaughlin, Mbah) – That the Administration report on how the City could lobby for a wider width for the proposed bridge from Everett to Draw 7 Park.