



## CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

### TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMITTEE

Tuesday - October 28, 2014, 6:00 PM

Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

### AGENDA

#### Approval of the Minutes of February 12, 2014

- **192634: Discuss in Committee** That the Director of Traffic and Parking explain the increase of large truck traffic entering Magoun Square from the Medford and Route 93 areas.
- **196155: Discuss in Committee** That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installing an appropriate traffic signal at the intersection of Cameron Avenue and Holland Street until a study is performed relative to the future use of the Powderhouse Community School.
- **196185: Discuss in Committee** That the Commissioner of Public Works provide a timeline to replace the traffic signal at the intersection of Washington and Beacon Streets.
- **196223: Discuss in Committee** That the Director of Traffic and Parking inform this Board whether the city is able to reduce the speed limit on side streets below 30 mph.
- **196228: Discuss in Committee** That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol on Greenville Street, at McGrath Highway, to ensure drivers are adhering to the NO RIGHT TURN restriction during the posted hours.
- **196229: Discuss in Committee** That the Director of Traffic and Parking determine if it is feasible to install a raised crosswalk at Monroe Street and Prospect Hill Road.
- **196230: Discuss in Committee** That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a STOP sign at Columbus Avenue (eastbound on Warren Avenue).

- **196286: Discuss in Committee** That the Director of Traffic and Parking, the Commissioner of Public Works, and the Director of SPCD develop a plan to install traffic calming measures on both sides of the Lowell Street bridge following the serious accident on February 6, and that the Director of Traffic and Parking present this plan to this Board at its next regular meeting.
- **196292: Discuss in Committee** Interim Director of Traffic and Parking responding to various Board Orders submitted 1/23/14.
- **196300: Discuss in Committee** That the Director of Traffic and Parking suggest changes to ease traffic traveling through Union Square onto Webster Avenue weekdays between 7:30 and 9 AM.
- **196311: Discuss in Committee** 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.
- **196316: Discuss in Committee** That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installing a bump out on the corner of Prospect Hill Road and Boston Street.
- **196321: Discuss in Committee** That the Director of Traffic and Parking explore changing the snow emergency parking policy to alternate parking during snow emergencies each year between the even and odd sides of the streets.
- **196354: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking inform this Board about issuing parking permits for religious facilities, including the number per facility, their cost, and their duration.
- **196412: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking restrict traffic from Dane Street onto Village Street for residents only, 7-9 AM and 4-7 PM.
- **196413: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking post NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER signs at the corner of Somerville Avenue and Properzi Way, to allow for cars turning onto Properzi Way.
- **196415: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking enforce the 15 MINUTE PARKING postings citywide, especially at 514 Medford Street.
- **196436: Discuss** 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.
- **196446: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a temporary speed bump on Jaques Street.
- **196587: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking monitor truck traffic on and around Powderhouse Boulevard, paying special attention to areas surrounding the Tufts campus.

- **196658: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Interim Director submitting responses to various Board Orders.
- **196659: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Interim Director submitting responses to #196587 re: truck traffic on Powderhouse Blvd.
- **196786: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking reassess the timing of traffic lights on McGrath Highway, near Assembly Square, under the overpass heading toward Broadway, and at the intersection of Mount Vernon Street at Broadway.
- **196849: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking post a NO RIGHT TURN 7AM-9AM on Broadway, at MacArthur Street, to limit traffic on MacArthur Street.
- **196860: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Interim Director submitting responses to various Board Orders.
- **196901: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking place signs at Porter and Elm Streets, and at Porter and Summer Streets, prohibiting thru traffic on lower Porter Street 6-9 AM and 4-7 PM.
- **196902: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking install temporary speed bumps on lower Porter Street, between Summer and Elm Streets, to reduce traffic speed.
- **197017: Discuss** That this Board's Committee on Traffic and Parking investigate the reasoning of truck traffic restrictions in our city last being ordered in 2002.
- **197023: Discuss** 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.
- **197024: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking look into enhancing safety on the Lowell Street bridge by placing a NO PARKING sign at the curb cut on the east side of Lowell Street, immediately north of Vernon Street (in front of 279-281 Lowell Street) and inform the Ward 5 Alderman and this Board of her recommendation.
- **197066: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Interim Director submitting responses to various Board Orders.
- **197067: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Interim Director submitting responses to various Board Orders.
- **197221: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking allow resident permit parking at the Washington Street parking lot across from the Argenziano School after 7 PM weekdays, all day Saturdays, and all day during the Summer.
- **197242: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders.

- **197251: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking contact the Ward One Alderman to arrange a community meeting to discuss traffic issues along Mt. Vernon Street and Broadway.
- **197261: Discuss** That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Traffic and Parking install temporary speed bumps and a pedestrian walkway with STOP signs on New Washington Street behind the Cobble Hill Apartments near the dog park.
- **197275: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Traffic Engineer analyze the intersection of Glenwood Road and Medford Street and report to the Ward 5 Alderman on options to make exiting from Glenwood Road onto Medford Street less dangerous.
- **197276: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Traffic Engineer consider traffic calming options for Trull Street.
- **197315: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders.
- **197354: Discuss** DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 6/26/14.
- **197366: Discuss** That the Chief of Police determine if 16-wheel vehicles are allowed to drive down Tufts Street at odd hours of the night and if they are allowed to park there.
- **197375: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installing a traffic light at the intersection of Tufts Street and Broadway.
- **197382: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the STOP sign at the corner of Chandler Street and Park Avenue.
- **197400: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a CHILDREN PLAYING sign on the east side of Trull Street, between Vernon Street and Medford Street, as close to 31-33 Trull Street as possible.
- **197404: Discuss** That the Commissioner of Public Works install a NO PARKING IN BUS STOP sign at the bus stop on Elm Street in front of Dunkin Donuts, and that the Chief of Police and the Director of Traffic and Parking enforce this restriction.
- **197468: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking inspect the “state” streets for vehicles parked at metered spots, causing numerous streets to have blind exits onto Broadway, and report the findings to the Ward One Alderman.
- **197497: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking petition the Traffic Commission to create a NO PARKING zone at 278 Lowell Street to keep the intersection there clear.
- **197499: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider reducing the speed limit to 25 MPH on Porter Street between Summer and Elm Streets.

- **197506: Discuss** That the City Clerk request of DCR that a sign be installed at Route 16 and Shore Drive, warning motorists of the recently installed raised crosswalk.
- **197507: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a temporary speed bump at the corner Sunnyside Avenue and Wigglesworth Street during the school year.
- **197538: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders.
- **197539: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders.
- **197635: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking explore the feasibility of making College Avenue two lanes, heading south into Davis Square, on weekday mornings.
- **197648: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking remove one, or more, of the NO U TURN signs on the newly constructed lower Broadway.
- **197696: Recommend** That the Director of Traffic and Parking amend the city's parking regulations to address the problem of the "warehousing" of vehicles that abuse the 48 hour parking rule.
- **197697: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking revise the resident parking sticker regulations for campers.
- **197698: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking limit cut through traffic on Dane, Village and Skehen Streets by installing signage prohibiting turns onto Village and Skehen Streets from Dane Street 6-10 AM and installing a STOP sign at Dane and Village Streets.
- **197707: Discuss** 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.
- **197716: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Commissioner of Public Works respond, in writing, to #197635, a request for College Avenue to have two lanes of traffic headed into Davis Square on weekday mornings.
- **197743: Discuss** That the Administration increase the inventory of temporary speed bumps and promote their use in areas where cut through traffic is temporarily increased.
- **197745: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking place a solar powered speed board on Hammond Street to monitor speeding cut through traffic.
- **197746: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a temporary speed bump on Hammond Street.

- **197796: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and parking review the timing of traffic lights at Shore Drive and Mystic Avenue, consider reinstating two lanes on Shore Drive, and consider other improvements, all to improve traffic flow at this intersection.
- **197800: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a NO LEFT TURN sign on the corner of Broadway and Clarendon Avenue.
- **197857: Discuss** Director of Traffic and Parking submitting responses to various Board Orders.
- **197858: Discuss** DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 9/23/14.
- **197874: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking devise a plan to deal with traffic issues on the corner of Mount Vernon Street and Broadway.
- **197877: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking install NO PARKING signs on either side of the fire hydrant in front of 21 - 23 Sargent Avenue.
- **197879: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Traffic and Parking arrange with the Ward 7 Alderman a community meeting to discuss traffic concerns for Teele Square.
- **197888: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a crosswalk on Central Street, between Highland Avenue and Summer Street.
- **197890: Discuss** 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.
- **197906: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 8/28/14.
- **197907: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 9/11/14.
- **197919: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installation of a blinking traffic light at the crosswalk at 530 Somerville Avenue.