



City of Somerville, Massachusetts

Traffic and Parking Committee

Meeting Minutes Dispositions

Monday, February 24, 2025

6:00 PM

Virtual

The meeting took place remotely via Zoom and was called to order at 6:01 PM by Chair Sait and adjourned at 6:50 PM on a roll call vote of 3 in favor (Councilors Wilson, Burnley and Sait), none against and none absent.

Others present:

Brad Rawson – Director of Mobility, Peter Forcellese – Legislative Clerk.

Councilor Burney joined the meeting at 6:10 PM.

Roll Call

Present: Ward Five City Councilor Naima Sait and City Councilor At Large Jake Wilson

Absent: City Councilor At Large Willie Burnley Jr.

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Traffic and Parking Committee Meeting of January 27, 2025. [25-0161](#)

Accepted

Aye: Ward Five City Councilor Sait and City Councilor At Large Wilson

Absent: City Councilor At Large Burnley Jr.

2. That the Director of Parking place NO IDLING signs on New Washington Street, behind the Cobble Hill complex, to discourage large truck idling by the senior homes. [25-0139](#)

Sponsors: Councilor McLaughlin

Kept in committee

3. That the Director of Mobility address the increased traffic along Lombardi Street, Mystic Avenue and Grand Union Boulevard due to signal changes. [25-0138](#)

Sponsors: Councilor McLaughlin

Recommended to be marked work completed

4. That the Director of Mobility work with the Massachusetts Department of [25-0137](#)
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Transportation (MassDOT) to increase flex post usage and other pedestrian safety measures on crosswalks along McGrath Highway.

Sponsors: Councilor McLaughlin

Recommended to be marked work completed

5. That the Director of Mobility develop plans for a safe pedestrian crossing of Lowell Street, at Bailey Park, and additional traffic calming measures between Summer Street and Highland Avenue. [25-0126](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Ewen-Campen and Councilor Mbah

Recommended to be marked work completed

6. That the Director of Mobility discuss with this Council the feasibility of signal priority for Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) busses in Union Square. [25-0125](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Ewen-Campen

Recommended to be marked work completed

7. That the Chief of Police, the Director of Parking and the Director of Mobility discuss the previous and ongoing strategy for implementation and public education of drivers violating the NO LEFT TURN signage at the Somerville High School exit on Highland Avenue and Vinal Avenue. [25-0038](#)

Sponsors: Councilor Strezo

Kept in committee