



# City of Somerville, Massachusetts

## Traffic and Parking Committee

### Regular Meeting Agenda

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Monday, December 2, 2024

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Virtual

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#### Roll Call

1. Committee Minutes (ID # [24-1613](#)) **Agenda Ready:** Approval of the Minutes of the Traffic and Parking Committee Meeting of November 4, 2024.
2. Order (ID # [24-1610](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Ewen-Campen That the Director of Mobility install bicycle traffic lights and appropriate YIELD TO PEDESTRIANS signage at the intersection of Somerville Avenue and Park Street.
3. Order (ID # [24-1609](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Ewen-Campen That the Director of Engineering update this Council on the timeline to straighten the community path crossing of School Street.

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4. Order  
(ID # [24-1607](#))  
**Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Ewen-Campen  
That the Director of Mobility re-evaluate and strengthen the NO TRUCKS signage at the corner of Warren Avenue and Bow Street in the aftermath of the 18-wheeler that became seriously stuck and blocked traffic on November 10-11, 2024.
  5. Resolution  
(ID # [24-1597](#))  
**Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Pineda Neufeld, Councilor Burnley Jr., Councilor Clingan, Councilor Davis, Councilor Ewen-Campen, Councilor Mbah, Councilor McLaughlin, Councilor Sait, Councilor Scott, Councilor Strezo and Councilor Wilson  
That the Administration provide an update to this Council on the Citywide Parking and Curb Use report and what recommendations, if any, have been implemented.
  6. Order  
(ID # [24-1592](#))  
**Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Sait and Councilor Mbah  
That the Director of Mobility install a raised crosswalk at the intersection of Cedar Street and the Community Path.
  7. Order  
(ID # [24-1530](#))  
**Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Mbah and Councilor Pineda Neufeld  
That the Chief of Police, in collaboration with the Director of Mobility, develop and present a plan to ensure that crossing guards are adequately stationed at critical intersections near schools during high-traffic hours and that, in the absence of crossing guards, police officers are deployed to ensure the safety of students and families.
  8. Order  
(ID # [24-1529](#))  
**Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Mbah and Councilor Pineda Neufeld  
That the Chief of Police provide an explanation regarding why there was no police assistance or crossing guard coverage at the intersection of Curtis Street and Powderhouse Boulevard during school drop-off hours on October 23, 2024.
  9. Order  
(ID # [24-1484](#))  
**Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Clingan and Councilor Wilson  
That the Director of Mobility install speed humps on Medford Street between Central and School Streets.

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10. Order  
(ID # [24-1483](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Clingan  
That the Director of Mobility install a flashing STOP sign on Puritan Avenue at its intersection with Temple Street.
11. Order  
(ID # [24-1482](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Clingan  
That the Director of Mobility install STOP signs making the intersections of Temple Street and the following streets 4-way stops: Bailey Road, Governor Winthrop Road, Puritan Avenue, Putnam Street, and Ten Hills Road.
12. Order  
(ID # [24-1466](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Sait  
That the Director of Mobility explore ways to make the intersection of Gilman and Aldrich Streets safer, including adding clear signage and painting.
13. Order  
(ID # [24-1464](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Mbah and Councilor Sait  
That the Director of Parking and the Director of Mobility install ALL-WAY STOP signs and safety measures at the Cedar Street intersection with the Community Path.
14. Resolution  
(ID # [24-1400](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Wilson and Councilor Burnley Jr.  
That the Administration facilitate bike parking for large licensed public events in the city.
15. Order  
(ID # [24-1392](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Ewen-Campen, Councilor Davis, Councilor Wilson, Councilor Sait, Councilor Pineda Neufeld, Councilor McLaughlin and Councilor Clingan  
That the Chief of Police resume the practice of issuing tickets rather than warnings for serious moving violations that endanger public safety, including speeding and running red lights.
16. Resolution  
(ID # [24-1274](#)) **Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Ewen-Campen and Councilor Sait  
That the Administration update this Council on the status of implementing the recommendations of the Parking & Curb Use Study, and respond to the July 2024 recommendations of the Somerville Alliance of Safe Streets (SASS).

- 17. Order  
(ID # [24-1673](#))  
**Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Pineda Neufeld, Councilor Strezo, Councilor Clingan, Councilor Sait and Councilor Davis  
That the Director of Parking discuss with this Council how to ensure that permit-only parking is available to non-resident parents with shared custody of children enrolled in Somerville Public Schools.
  
- 18. Order  
(ID # [24-1674](#))  
**Sent for Discussion:** By Councilor Pineda Neufeld, Councilor Davis and Councilor Strezo  
That the Director of Parking install signage indicating the grace period, during daycare pickup and drop-off hours, during which parking tickets will not be issued in front of 99A Dover Street.