



**BROCKTON TRAFFIC COMMISSION**

**SUBCOMMITTEE REVIEW**

**Tuesday, August 21, 2018**

1. **SHIELDS AVENUE AND MILL STREET**

*REQUEST: From Ward 3 Councilor, City Council President Dennis Eaniri and Councilor-at-Large Robert Sullivan, for a STOP sign at Shields Ave., and Mill Street, (headed west direction). Request is coming from Gary Epstein, owner of Timeless Antiques. He has traffic related issues. Mr. Epstein will be present at the meeting.*

**SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: MORE INFO NEEDED FOR SIGN PLACEMENT.**

Discussion: Council President Eaniri called and asked that this matter be referred to Subcommittee and either he or Councilor Sullivan will be at the site with Mr. Epstein.

2. **155 WINTHROP STREET**

*Brockton resident Maureen Fenton at [155 Winthrop Street](#) states she would like either a "No Parking" sign or "Resident Parking Only" sign due to her having difficulty exiting her driveway. She is an elderly woman and says although she doesn't have any problems with the people at Edgar's park, it is the parking that gets a little out of control. When cars are parked on both sides of her driveway, she can't see properly coming out especially with Winthrop Street being a two way street.*

3. **985 PLEASANT STREET – WESTSIDE COLONIAL**

*Request received from Rose Davids, of Hamilton Oaks for a guardrail near the main entrance/pool, at the fence area in light of the recent accidents (Board members: email & pictures attached).*

***TO REFER TO SUBCOMMITTEE ON 8/21/18 @ 9:00 A.M. WITH COMMISSIONER ROWLEY IN ATTENDANCE TO DISCUSS GUARDRAIL PLACEMENT AND TO CALL ROBERT LYNCH, MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR (508) 580-3042, WHEN VISITING SITE.***

4. **NORTH MAIN STREET & WILDER, STUDLEY & WALDO STREETS**

*Request received from Councilor Shirley Asack on behalf of a resident of Wilder street to have the commission relook at speeding and traffic signage along North Main St. and side streets Wilder, Studley and Waldo streets.*

5. **FOREST AVENUE & BOUVE AVENUE**

*Request received from Deputy Fire Chief Kevin Galligan to accept and adopt a intersection improvement plan for Forest Ave & Bouve including:*

*Install Traffic Signal Ahead Signs (MUTDC Sign W3-3) for Forest Ave & Bouve Ave as recommended in a CDM report on improvements to the existing traffic signals. Signs to be placed a minimum of 100' from the intersection.*

6. **ROCKFORD STREET**

*Request received from Councilor Tim Cruise on behalf of Erin Leach-Ogden, who reside at 47 Rockford Street, regarding ongoing safety issues the entire time they have lived here. Below are the issues and some possible solutions, as well as an image of the street map (Board members: see attached) where the issues take place:*

- 1. There is **no posted Speed limit** on Rockford Street, so many cars routinely speed down our street with absolute carelessness, as they use Rockford as a "shortcut" to get from Torrey Street to Belmont (via Bigney), or vice versa. If Speed limit signs could be posted and monitored, I believe that may help somewhat.*
- 2. There are **no stop signs in ANY direction** at the 4-way intersection of Rockford St, Dawes Rd and Rockland Ave, and I witness near-miss accidents on a WEEKLY basis (including during the time it's taken me to write this note)!! No one is actually required to stop, so cars are routinely pulling onto Rockford Street into oncoming traffic. That combined with the speeding makes for a very dangerous spot. I recommend having Stop signs installed for at least one of the directions so that this safety issue does not continue.*
- 3. There are **no sidewalks on Rockford Street**, so the fact that people are speeding down the street makes it even more unsafe for pedestrians, including children riding their bikes and walking to and from their bus stop, etc. My husband and I have BOTH almost been struck by cars going too fast and/or almost running through the stop sign at the intersection of Rockford and Bigney.*

*It is very frustrating to feel unsafe on our own street, particularly when we see that the neighborhood just across Torrey Street (on Fairview Ave) has extra-wide streets that are beautifully paved and include new concrete sidewalks, while our road continues to be neglected. It feels as if those with a higher income who live closer to Thorny Lea golf course get better services from the city than those of us who are working class and live 1/10th of a mile further. We pay our property taxes on time and without fail, so why the disparity in road safety and quality? I realize that Brockton is a large city and there are many roads that need attention, so I do not send this message frivolously.*