



BROCKTON TRAFFIC COMMISSION
Thursday, October 24, 2019
6:00 p.m.

AGENDA

Location: **War Memorial Building**
156 W. Elm Street
Brockton, MA 02301

1. Call to Order
2. Quorum
3. Reading or Waiving and acceptance of the September 26, 2019.

OLD BUSINESS

1. MAIN STREET & PERKINS AVENUE

Request received by Councilor Anne Beaugard to discuss the handicap ramps and signs in Campello area and how so many of them are wrong. This was discussed at a recent Parking Authority meeting. According to Bob Malley, "they were discussing problems with enforcement on Main St and Perkins Ave. There is a handicap ramp to nowhere in front of the Sunset Cafe on the corner of Perkins and Main. The ramp is on the sidewalk leading to Main St but the street is painted like a regular parking spot and the crosswalk is located back at the corner. I have told our guys not to ticket this space even with the ramp there as the space is not correctly marked."

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

2. MERIAN'S

John Merian is requesting to eliminate 2 parking spaces in front of his off street parking entrance in order to use side lot for parking. Also, place proper signage on L Street.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

- **DO NOT BLOCK DRIVE WAY ON LIGHT POLE NORTH OF PARKING LOT DRIVE WAY ENTRANCE.**

- REMOVE PARKING SPACE IN FRONT OF RAMP
- DO NOT ENTER SIGN ON POST NW CORNER EXITING PARKING LOT ON L STREET
- SIGN ON FENCE ONE WAY DIRECTLY ACROSS FROM DRIVEWAY EXITING MERIANS PARKING LOT ON L STREET.
- ON POLE #3 ON L STREET DO NOT ENTER SIGN EAST SIDE OF POLE.

3. LOUIS STREET

Request received from Councilor Jack Lally for 25 mph speed limit signs on Louis Street.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

- ON POLE #7 25MPH SPEED LIMIT ACROSS FROM 16 (SOUTH)
- POST AND 25MPH SIGN YELLOW STRIPE IN BETWEEN #76 AND # 82.

4. AMES STREET

Request received from Councilor Jack Lally to revisit “No Parking” regulations on the south side of Ames Street.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

- NO PARKING ON AMES STREET FROM NORTH MAIN STREET TO NORTH CAREY STREET SOUTH SIDE (EAST BOUND TRAFFIC).

SIGN REQUESTS:

5. 182 MARKET STREET

Request received from Jennifer Cintron of 182 Market Street who is requesting a guardrail in front of her home (or to the corner) due to accidents and feeling unsafe.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

- NO ACTION AT THIS TIME

6. 73 CARY STREET

Request received from Maria Miranda, who is requesting a “Deaf” sign along with a “Do Not Block Driveway” sign. She states that traffic is horrible and that there is a traffic light up ahead but no one will let her leave her driveway.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

- DEAF PERSON SIGN ON POLE #2 IN FRONT OF 86 CAREY STREET.
- DEAF PERSON SIGN ON POLE IN FRONT OF 63 CAREY STREET.

7. AMES STREET & INTERVALE STREET

Request received from Tina Johnson of 107 Ames Street, for a “Stop” sign and “Slow Down Children” sign due to speeding, almost been hit and children crossing.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

- **NO ACTION AT THIS TIME.**

8. COTTAGE GROVE AVENUE

Request received from Claudio Miranda of 27 Cottage Grove Avenue, who is requesting a “Dead End” signs on pole #3 in front of 26 Cottage Grove Avenue (after Curtis Street). The street is a dead end with no other outlet to another street.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

- **STOP AHEAD SIGN AND POST LONGWOOD AVE (NORTH BOUND TRAFFIC) EAST SIDE 30 FEET NORTH AO CARROLL AVE**
- **STOP AHEAD SIGN AND POST WEST SIDE LONGWOOD AVE (SOUTH BOUND TRAFFIC) 25 FEET SOUTH OF WILLEY ST**
- **REMOVE SMALL TREE BLOCKING STOP SIGN BETWEEN #72 AND #78 LONGWOOD AVE.**

9. ALDEN STREET

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

- **“NO PARKING HERE TO CRONER” SAWTELL AVENUE WEST SIDE FROM ALDEN STREET NORTHERLY TO DRIVEWAY @ 218 SAWTELL AVENUE IN BACK OF SIDEWALK**

NOTE:

VESEY STREET

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

- **CHANGE 30 MPH SIGN ON VESEY STREET TO 25 MPH**

HARVARD STREET

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

- **220 HARVARD STREET: CHANGE 30 MPH SIGN TO 25 MPH SIGN**
- **183 HARVARD STREET: CHANGE 30 MPH SIGN ON POLE #20 TO 25 MPH SIGN**

NEW BUSINESS

10. BATTLES FARM VILLAGE

Request received from John Holmgren, P.E., of J.K. Holmgren Engineering, Inc. for Battles Farm Village who would like to make their main access road one way. It is a private way but we felt the Traffic Commission should be involved to be sure it's properly noticed and any safety concerns are addressed. **(Board members: Plans were provided to those who attended 10/15/19 subcommittee review).**

11. MARKET STREET

Request of Ward 4 Councilor Susan Nicastro on behalf of Ward 4 resident Mary Ellen Ryder Stoddard of 182 Perkins Avenue, to address traffic problems and reduce confusion on Market Street at its intersection with Montello Street by creating lanes using painted arrows so that vehicles that will turn left onto Montello Street get into a formally created left lane at this end of Market Street, and vehicles turning right onto Montello Street get into a formally created right lane. This will relieve the current situation in which vehicles turn left or right from anywhere at the street end, causing accidents and near accidents. We respectfully request this relief or such other relief as the Commission may find appropriate to address these issues.

12. LITCHFIELD STREET AND CARL AVENUE INTERSECTION

Request of Ward 4 Councilor Susan Nicastro on behalf of Ward 4 resident Donald Myers of 50 Carl Avenue for the erection of a stop sign on Litchfield Street at its intersection with Carl Avenue.

13. 325 COPELAND STREET

Have a friend that visits her sick father daily on Copeland St and van is parked and blocks intersection view and last night was the car accident. There is no sign that prevents on street parking there.

SIGN REQUESTS:

14. WEST ELM STREET EXT.

Request received from Richard Saba of 1160 West Elm Street Ext. who is request two fundamental speed signs; 1) just east of the animal shelter, 2) right before Swift Road. The street is newly paved and there are speeders coming and going to and from Easton. **(Board members: Sign request form attached).**

15. CRICKETT ROAD & RAYMOND ROAD AND CRICKETT ROAD & SOPHIA ROAD – 4-WAY STOP

Request received from Fran Cohen of 41 Crickett Road along with a petition signed by 15 other residents for a 4-way stop sign on the corner of Crickett Road and Raymond Road, and Crickett Road and Sophia Road as well as "Slow Down" signs, very visible flashing "Stop" signs and police officers occasionally to address numerous accidents on these corners due to people speeding and not stopping at stop signs. **(Board Members: see attached).**

16. 59 HUNTINGTON STREET

I am the owner and resident of 59 Huntington Street, Brockton 02301. Our home is located on the corner of Huntington Street and Wayland Street (both two way streets). In the past

10 years, a car has hit our home twice and the fence numerous times, especially during the winter. We had to remove the existing hedges and replace them with a wired fence because of cars sliding through our front yard. Now every time a car hits the fence, they leave the scene and we are responsible for the damage, which includes submitting multiple claims through our home insurance, paying a deductible and our policy increasing. This is becoming a financial burden. **(Board members: see attached Google map pictures).**

17. 66 HOBSON STREET

Request received from Ellie Amado who resides at 66 Hobson Street and is requesting a 3-way stop due to several accidents. She claims the street is too narrow and you cannot see other cars unless you go passed the stop sign which is very dangerous. **(Board members: see attached Google map pictures).**

18. ARMISTON STREET AND ALLERTON STREET

Request received from Councilor Jack Lally on behalf of residents requesting a “Dead End” sign.

19. NORWICH ROAD

Councilor Jack Lally stated Captain Hallisey would like a "Stop" sign at the end of Norwich Road, which intersects with Coe Road.

20. DOWNEY ROAD

Request received from Councilor Jack Lally for a "Stop" sign at the end of Downey Road, across from [132 Dixon Road](#).

21. NORTH MAIN STREET

Request received for “No Parking Weekdays 8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.” signs on the west side of North Main Street in front of the Angelo School.

22. NOYES AVENUE (OFF OF SOUTHWORTH STREET)

Request received from Councilor Dennis Eaniri for a “No Through Traffic – 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.” due to street being used as a short cut/cut through to come out onto Copeland Street.

23. LONGWOOD AVENUE

Request received from Councilor Dennis Eaniri for “No Parking” signs on Longwood Avenue from Tribou Street to Menlo Street northerly. **(Board members: see attached pictures).**

24. NORTH AVENUE AND WINTER STREET

Request received from Councilor Jack Lally on behalf of residents for a crosswalk at North Avenue across Winter Street. **(Board members: see Google map picture).**

25. NEW HEIGHTS CHARTER SCHOOL – 1690 MAIN STREET & 661 CENTRE STREET

Request received from Janice Manning, Director of Operations, New Heights Charter School: As you may recall, I went before the Traffic Commission to request School signage to be put in front of New Heights Charter School of Brockton to ensure the safety of Brockton's students. As a result of my initial meeting before the Brockton Traffic Commission, on February 22, 2018, I received an email On March 30, 2018 which read that the Traffic

Commission contacted the MA DOT to obtain a recommendation and guidance in this matter.

I have not received any contact from the Brockton Traffic Commission since this the last email. Therefore, I am writing to request to be added to the agenda at the next Brockton Traffic Commission meeting to obtain an update and timeframe on this matter.

*In addition, New Heights Charter School of Brockton has continued to expand, and it became necessary for the School to open a second location: 661 Centre St. in Brockton. As a result, I am requesting that the appropriate signage to be placed at this site as well. **(Board Members: copy of prior Minutes, MA DOT response, letter to BPB attached).***

UPDATE:

School Zone Flashing Signals – Angelo*, Arnone, Davis, Huntington/South Middle, Downey and Baker to be replaced with solar. All other signals are operational.

***(*\$6,000.00 Grant application*)**

****PLEASE NOTE THAT ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA WILL NOT BE DISCUSSED****