



Traffic Commission

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AGENDA CITY OF BROCKTON TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Board or Committee	Traffic Commission
Day & Date	March 23rd, 2023
Time of Meeting	6 p.m.
Meeting Location:	Arnone School Auditorium 135 Belmont Street Brockton, MA 02301
Traffic Commissioner Captain Mark Porcaro	Date: 3/23/2023

1. Call to Order
2. Quorum
3. Reading or Waiving and acceptance of the February 23rd, 2023 Minutes.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **PARKING OF CERTAIN VEHICLES ON STREETS**
Requested by: Deputy Fire Chief Edward Williams
Issue/Request: Specifically to look at trailers and semitrailers parking on city streets. (Board Members please see attached Fall River ordinances hereto for reference).

Upon duly motion made by Councilor Jeffrey Thompson, seconded by James Sweeney, the motion carried by a roll call vote; 6 in the affirmative.

VOTED: To Continue to the March Meeting.

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2. **PEARL STREET- SPECIFICALLY BETWEEN BELMONT ST. AND TORREY ST.**

Requested by: Councilor Mark D'Agostino

Issue/Request: Councilor D'Agostino has heard from many constituents relative to the speeding in this area.

(Traffic Commission please see attached correspondence from MassDOT)

VOTED: Place one of the Solar Powered Speed Limit Radars between Torrey Street and Belmont Street, Send a letter to Mass DOT to revisit this location relative to the speeding in this location and to also have police enforcement at this location. PLACE ONE OF THE SOLAR POWERED SPEED LIMIT RADAR

3. COPELAND STREET AT HAYWARD AVENUE

Requested by: Ward 4 Councilor Susan Nicastro on behalf of Adewumi Oluwatoyin.

Request/Issue: Resident is looking for a crosswalk on Copeland Street close to Hayward Avenue, of other such relief as the Traffic Commission may deem appropriate, to enable safe crossing of the street.

VOTED: To send for an Engineering study and to place a larger 30MPH sign coming into Brockton from West Bridgewater.

**** CDM Smith's Conclusion: Based on the lack of sufficient pedestrian volume in the area and the insufficient sight distance, CDM Smith finds that the installation of a crosswalk at the intersection of Copeland Street and Hayward Avenue is not warranted. However, if the committee wishes to move forward with the installation of a crosswalk across Copeland Street, consideration should be given to placing the crosswalk along a tangent section of roadway where sight distance would not be a concern. In this case, new ADA-compliant sidewalk and curb ramps would also need to be installed at the location of the crosswalk. ****

4. 146 COURT STREET

Requested by: James Sweeney

Request/Issue: Requesting bump out sidewalks

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. Continue Directed Patrol Parking Enforcement by the BPD; and**
- B. Add pavement line painting hash marks to the no parking area.**

5. MAIN STREET/OAK STREET

Requested by: James Sweeney

Request/Issue: crosswalk request

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Add the "ladder design" to the crosswalks during pavement line painting.

6. MONTELLO ST./EAST ASHLAND STREET

Requested by: Councilor Jeffrey Thompson

Request/Issue: Requesting the stop line be moved further north.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. Move the STOP line/bar back (to the north) approximately ten feet;**
- B. Install a STOP HERE ON RED sign with a diagonal down arrow; and**
- C. Send a letter to the Mayor's Office, DPW, and BFD recommending moving the traffic signal mast arm (northeast corner) back from the road.**

7. MILL STREET (149 MILL STREET-DEAD END EXTENSION)

Requested by: Gary Epstein of Timeless Antiques Watch & Jewelry Co.

Request/Issue: Car "Shoot" down the dead end all day long for years.

Requesting better signage at this location and/or a Stop sign be added.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. Enlarge the current directional arrow; and**
- B. Relocate the TURN AHEAD sign and add yellow striping.**

8. COURT STREET

Requested by: Nancy Schultz

Request/Issue: Speeding cars coming from both ways at the bottom of the hill on Court Street. There are two (s) signs on this street. Requesting more 30MPH signs, one or two of the electronic speed signs, also Deers Crossing sign requested near Animal Control at Kathleen Road.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. No Parking on Court Street (north side) 800 feet easterly from the N. Cary St. intersection and add this to the street list;**
- B. Install a solar-powered speed sign on Court St. (westbound lane) opposite the area of Pole #65; and**
- C. Install a 30 MPH sign on Court St. (eastbound lane) near Ida Ave.**

9. 216 BELAIR STREET

Requested by: Franchez Cruz

Request/Issue: Cars are hitting his property. There is already one guardrail in front of his property. Requesting a solution to this issue due to the amount of accidents that are occurring.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. Add a STOP sign with red striping near the current Rainbow Cir. street sign;**
- B. Install a directional chevron on the northside of the island at Rainbow Cir. at Belair St.;**
- C. Install a STOP AHEAD sign on Pole #2 (Rainbow Cir.);**
- D. Install a BLIND INTERSECTION AHEAD on Pole #21-84 (Belair St. northbound) so as to alert motorists about Crickett Rd; and**
- E. Remove the 30 MPH sign from Pole #21-84 and relocate closer to Thompson Ave. (Belair St. northbound lane).**

10.40 YARMOUTH AVENUE

Requested by: Jeffrey Barnes

Request/Issue: Large Trucks and cars speed on the roads. We have elderly that walk their dogs and small families that are startled when these trucks/sedans pass by. Many close calls have occurred. Requesting stop signs at the end of Sagamore to Yarmouth onto Sagamore, also requesting weight limit signs on both ends of Brewster, Sagamore and Yarmouth Avenue.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. Directed Patrols Traffic Enforcement by the BPD; and**
- B. Continue to monitor the area.**

11.148 AUBURN STREET

Requested by: Clifford Harper

Request/Issue: Part of my house was damaged by someone parking in front of my house. Requesting a No Parking sign in front of residence.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. Insufficient information at this time; and**
- B. Continue to monitor, but take no action at this time.**

12.34 NILSSON STREET- GETHSEMANE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

Requested by: Mr. Andy Newell

Request/Issue: There are two (2) commercial vehicles that park near the church overnight and during church services on Saturdays, from 9:30-2:00 p.m. One is parking in front of the church and the other is parking on the other side of the church on Laureston Street. Requesting the Traffic Commission take a look at this.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Insufficient information; and

B. Request resident to appear at the March Traffic Commission meeting to explain reason for request and answer questions.

NEW BUSINESS

13. 31 PETRONELLI WAY

Requested by: Brockton Parking Authority

Issue/Request: to examine the unnamed alleyway that runs along the east side of the Mayor Carpenter Garage to determine if it is a public way, and if so, to enhance the existing STOP sign and pavement line painting at the intersection of the unnamed alleyway and Petronelli Way, to add a speed bump or speed table on the alleyway at this same intersection, and to designate fire lanes on the alleyway.

14. PLAIN STREET

Requested by: Council President Susan Nicastrò

Request/Issue: Resident of Cappy's Way that walks her dog noticed that there is no crosswalk located on Plain Street at Georgene Road. There is a Brockton High School bus stop at Georgene Rd/Plain Street and the kids have to cross the street in the dark winter mornings without a crosswalk. Requesting a crosswalk at this location.

15. ASH STREET @ WEST CHESTNUT STREET

Requested by: Councilor Mark D'Agostino

Request/Issue: Would like the Traffic Commission to look at the safety at this location.

16. ELLIS STREET

Requested by: George Terzakis

Request/Issue: People speed up and down the street. There is currently stop signs on Prospect Avenue crossing Ellis Street, however, a 4-way stop would help encourage drivers, especially buses that are speeding down the street to slow down and stop at the intersection. Requesting a 4 way stop.