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City of Brockton Traffic Commission

CAPTAIN MARK PORCARO TRAFFIC COMMISSIONER

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# AGENDA CITY OF BROCKTON TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Board or Committee		Traffic Commission	
Day & Date		Thursday, August 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2023	
Time of Meeting		6:00 p.m.	
Meeting Location:		Arnone School Theater 135 Belmont Street Brockton, MA 02301	
Traffic Commissioner Captain Mark Porcaro			Date: 8-31-2023

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Quorum
- 3. Reading or Waiving and acceptance of the July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Minutes.

#### OLD BUSINESS

#### 1. WEST ELM STREET

Requested by: Cassie Sulbaran (557 West Elm Street Issue/Request: To revisit this area for the installation of crosswalks. (Traffic Commission members please see attached proposed crosswalk locations from Ms. Sulbaran).

# SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. add the "ladder" design to both crosswalks at W. Elm Street at Auna Drive; and

**B.** install two CROSSWALK signs with the corresponding diagonal down arrows, one on the Auna Drive street sign (for westbound traffic) and another in front of 444 W. Elm Street (for eastbound traffic).

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# 2. WEST CHESTNUT STREET

Requested by: Christine Hill of 358 West Chestnut Street Request/Issue: Continuing concerns regarding speeding. (Traffic Commission members, please see attached Road Safety Audit from OCPC)

# **VOTED: TO CONTINUE TO AUGUST MEETING.**

#### 3. INTERSECTION OF FULLER AND BARTLETT STREET

Requested by: Makonnen Johnson

Request/Issue: Blind intersection. High probability for motor vehicle accidents. Requesting 4 way Stop signs. (Traffic Commission members see attached Crash History)

### SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. install two STOP signs (with posts and red reflective striping) on Bartlett Street at the Fuller Street intersection (one sign for eastbound traffic and the other for westbound traffic); and
B. for line painting, add STOP bars and the word "STOP" on Bartlett Street to go with the two new signs.

#### 4. N. QUINCY STREET

Requested by: Councilor Jack Lally Request/Issue: Would like a new crosswalk installed on N. Quincy Street where it intersects with Maplewood Circle and Toby Road.

# SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Recommend a crosswalk request engineering study.

#### 5. SAWTELL AVENUE

Requested by: Jason Andrade

Request/Issue: Way too much unsafe speeding up and down Sawtell Avenue and this puts children and families at risk considering this is a school pick up street. Cars outside my house have been hit twice in the last five years due to speeders. Requesting a Solar Powered Speed Radar at the intersection of Sawtell and Banks, Camden or Albert Streets as well as a speed bump and additional traffic enforcement.

# SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

# A. mount a 30 MPH sign on Pole #16 (Sawtell Ave. at Albert St. ) for northbound traffic; and

B. install a solar-powered speed sign with a 30 MPH sign in front of 128 Sawtell Avenue for southbound traffic.

# 6. ASH STREET

Requested by: Jeanne Katz (Hopgood)

Request/Issue: multiple accidents and speeding cars. Requesting a 4 way stop at the intersection of Ash and Boylston Streets.

# SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. install BLIND INTERSECTION AHEAD signs on Pole #47 for northbound traffic and another sign in front of 375 Ash Street for southbound traffic;

B. install 30 MPH signs on Poles # 45 and 50 for northbound traffic.
C. install 30 MPH signs along the 300-block of Ash Street and the unknown numbered utility pole on Ash Street at Madison Street for southbound traffic.

# 7. NORTH MAIN STREET

Requested by: Councilor Shirley Asack, Ward 7 Issue/Request: establishing a Truck Exclusion Zone for certain side streets along N. Main Street. (Traffic Commissions members see attached MASSDOT Truck Exclusion Zone information, Ordinance Section 14-17 and Traffic Commission regulation 5-5-1 relative to overnight commercial vehicle parking)

# 8. INTERSECTION OF MAIN & NILSSON STREET

Requested by: Gloria Anderson-Armstrong

Request/Issue: There are frequent traffic accidents at this intersection and you can't come out of the parking lot safely or cross the street at the corner. Requesting a traffic light be installed at this intersection.

# ADDITIONAL SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. install a STOP AHEAD sign on Nilsson Street near Denton Street for eastbound traffic;

B. remount the current STOP sign in the northwest corner on the Nilsson Street/Main Street intersection with a new post and red reflective striping;
C. for line painting, add the "ladder" design to all crosswalks at this intersection;

D. install a STOP AHEAD sign on Pole #3 on E. Nilsson Street for westbound traffic;

E. resecure the existing STOP AHEAD sign on Pole #3 on E. Nilsson Street for eastbound traffic;

F. add a STOP sign with a post and red reflective striping on E. Nilsson at Main Street (southeast corner); and

G. lower the existing NO PARKING sign on E. Nilsson Street (westbound lane) so that it does not obscure the current STOP sign at Main Street (northeast corner).

# 9. 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. (Traffic Commission Members please see previous engineering study together with the updated recommendations from CDM, Smith.)

# **NEW BUSINESS**

### 10. N. QUINCY STREET AND HOVENDEN AVENUE

Requested by: Councilor John Lally Request/Issue: Would like Solar Powered Speed signs on both N .Quincy Street and Hovenden Avenue.

# 11. KENT STREET AT BOURNE STREET

Requested by: Councilor John Lally Request/Issue: Would like a stop sign for eastbound traffic on Kent Street at Bourne Street. The stop sign is for cars leaving Kent Street and entering traffic on Bourne Street.

# 12. INTERSECTION OF N. CARY STREET AND TOBY ROAD

Requested by: Councilor John Lally

Request/Issue: To bump out N. Cary Street to create a sharper turn (90°) in an effort to deter speeding and reckless driving.

### 13. QUINCY STREET AT THE SHAW SCHOOL

Requested by: Councilor Thompson on behalf of a constituent Request/Issue: The school parking lot is being used as overflow parking for residents and others, creating dangerous traffic conditions on Quincy Street. Requesting No Parking signs at the Shaw School.

#### 14. HOLBROOK AVENUE

Requested by: Councilor Asack on behalf of Leighton Beaumont (19 Holbrook Avenue) Issue/Request: A stop sign to control speeding on Holbrook Avenue.

# 15. WEST CHESTNUT STREET AT ALEXANDRA'S WAY

Requested by: Councilor-at-Large Winthrop Farwell

Request/Issue: Requesting a modified traffic signal at this location as residents have reached out regarding the heavy traffic on West Chestnut Street during peak hours.

# 16. ROUTE 27- PLEASANT STREET

Requested by: Willie Roberts

Request/Issue: Pleasant Street vehicles are traveling sometimes in excess of 45-50 MPH which is causing pedestrian to be at risk. Requesting speed limits signs be placed anywhere between the Irving Gas Station on the corner of Pleasant Street & Route 27 and Christy's Drive.

### 17. LINWOOD STREET AND WEST CHESTNUT STREET

Requested by: Silvano DaSilva (Rose of Sharon Landscaping) and Rodrigo Dos Anjos (Garden in Angels Landscaping)

Request/Issue: There have been multiple accidents at this intersection and trying to come out of Linwood Street to go in any direction is dangerous. Requesting a stop light at this location.

#### 18. LEGION PARKWAY

Requested by: Traffic Commissioner Captain Mark Porcaro on behalf of Brockton Parking Authority.

Request/Issue: To formally make the hash marked area between BNHC and Panda Express No Parking, including a sign.

#### **19. VICE CHAIR TO THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION**

The Traffic Commission Bylaws state "At the regular meeting in August of every year, the members of the Commission shall elect from among themselves, a vice-chairman who shall have all authority to conduct meetings in the absence of the chairman. A vote should be taking tonight.