



City of Brockton

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CITY OF BROCKTON TRAFFIC COMMISSION AGENDA

Board or Committee	Traffic Commission
Day & Date	Thursday, May 23rd, 2024
Time of Meeting	6:00 p.m.
Meeting Location:	Brockton City Hall- 45 School Street- GAR Room
Traffic Commissioner Captain Mark Porcaro	Date: 5-17-2024

1. Call to Order
2. Quorum
3. Reading or Waiving and acceptance of the April 25th, 2024.

OLD BUSINESS

1. CLINTON STREET

Requested by: Brian Walsh

Request/Issue: Unique Auto at 189 Clinton Street routinely parks 4+ vehicles on the east side of Clinton Street across from their shop, including on the sidewalk, creating unsafe driving conditions. Requesting No Parking Signs. The request is to designate Clinton Street from the Enterprise Club to the Gilmore School no parking.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Replace the missing NO PARKING signs on Poles # 7 and 8 (near 163 Clinton Street for southbound traffic).

B. Subcommittee spent time making observations and did not notice any glaring issues. There were no vehicles illegally parked in front of 189 Clinton Street during our visit and there was light daytime traffic. Take no further action at this time.

2. 39 DIX ROAD

Requested by: Gary White

Request/Issue: I am requesting a guardrail on the corner of my property (N. Cary St. and 39 Dix Road). Between the snowplows and all the vehicles that come on my property from the accidents and misjudging the corner. I am disabled and can't fix it anymore.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Subcommittee met with Mr. White and is not opposed to the installation of a new guardrail *if the crash data supports it*. Request BPD Records to forward any accident history.

B. Replace the STOP sign and sign post (with red reflective striping) on Dix Road at N. Cary Street (for northbound traffic) pending a Traffic Commission records check that such a sign has previously been approved there, and if not, recommend approving the installation of a new STOP sign and post at that spot.

3. 117 AMES ROAD

Requested by: Richard Caruso

Request/Issue: Both of my kids have autism. My son is nonverbal and has no threat to danger. If he was to run out of the house, he will run down the street and keep going. For his safety I am asking for an Autistic Child Sign.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Install AUTISTIC CHILD signs on Pole #10 (by 111 Ames Road, for northbound traffic), Pole #11 (between 117 and 125 Ames Road, for southbound traffic), and Pole #1 (closest to 15 Fairmount Street, for eastbound traffic).

B. Install a new STOP sign and sign post (with red reflective striping) on Fairmount Street at Ames Road (for eastbound traffic).

4. 1124 MAIN STREET

Requested by: Manuel Monteiro

Request/Issue: We have on street parking for our business at 1124 Main Street. We would also like a loading zone at our storefront.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

Subcommittee met with Mr. Monteiro and came to the agreed upon recommendation of creating a loading zone on Perkins Avenue by doing the following: remove the existing NO PARKING CORNER TO HERE and ONE HOUR PARKING signs on Perkins Avenue (in front of 1 Perkins Avenue) and install new NO PARKING and LOADING ZONE signs on the same sign post instead.

5. 370 HOWARD STREET

Requested by: Cynthia Mitchell, Self-Help, Head Start

Request/Issue: We are fortunate to a BAT bus stop across the street from our school, which families and staff use daily. With that, we do not have a crosswalk to support the safe crossing of our young children, families & staff. At this time, I would like to request a crosswalk at this location.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

Subcommittee met with Ms. Mitchell and will recommend a crosswalk engineering study for this location.

6. 18 LINNEA AVENUE

Requested by: Councilor-at-Large David Teixeira on behalf of Maria Correia

Request/Issue: Requesting the placement of a handicap sign at 18 Linnea Avenue as Maria Correia needs help when she needs to be transported.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

Subcommittee met with one of the requesters and two handicapped parking signs with posts will be installed on the sidewalk in front of the above address. On May 14th, both signs were installed by DPW Traffic.

7. 757 N. CARY STREET

Requested by: Councilor Lally on behalf of resident Linmoy Gabriel

Request/Issue: A review of the current guardrail at this location.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

Subcommittee met with Ms. Gabriel and came to the agreed upon recommendation that the damaged guardrail will be replaced with a recommendation to the guardrail vendor to install a stronger and more reinforced unit system there.

8. PLAIN STREET AT OTTO STREET

Requested by: Councilor Susan Nicastro

Request/Issue: Would like the Traffic Commission to consider a blinking light on Plain Street at the intersection with Otto Street.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

This area was recently selected to receive Safe Streets for All (SS4A) funding major upgrades. MassDOT engineers have already studied the location and listed what the upgrades and changes will be. Any concerns will be addressed via the funding upgrades over the next several years. Recommend take no action on this request.

9. N. QUINCY ST./COURT ST./QUINCY STREET

Requested by: Jackie Mitchell

Request/Issue: There have been a number of accidents at this intersection. I would like to request the following: Install No Turn on Red Sign, install solar speed radar, repaint the crosswalks as this is busy intersection located near the Baker School & student bus stops.

PREVIOUS SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Add the ladder design to the existing crosswalks at this intersection during line painting season.

B. Request from BPD Records Division an intersection crash history.

10. ENFORCEMENT PRACTICES AND POLICIES

Requested by: Councilor Lally and Councilor-at-Large Teixeira

Request/Issue: Would like the Traffic Commission to discuss Enforcement Practices and Policies and their bearing on the actions of the Traffic Commission.

NEW BUSINESS

11. TRIBOU STREET AT NASON STREET

Requested by: Jhay Debarros

Request/Issue: Requesting SLOW, CHILDREN at the intersection of Tribou Street near Nason Street as well as a NO PARKING or NO PARKING CORNER TO HERE sign for Nason Street (east side alongside 145 Tribou Street) at Tribou Street.

12. MONTELLO STREET EXT.

Requested by: Captain Mark Porcaro, Brockton Police Department

Request/Issue: BPD Patrol Division supervisor indicated parking issues on Montello Street Extension. Current parking on both sides makes it difficult for large vehicles to use the road and for residents to back out of driveways. Recommend parking be restricted to one side due to narrow roadway.

13. EDINBORO AVENUE

Requested by Councilor Thomas Minichiello, Jr.

Issue/Request: Traffic issues from vehicles entering/exiting Prestige Gas (899 Belmont Street) via Edinboro Avenue.

14. 298 N. WARREN AVENUE

Requested by: Councilor Moises Rodrigues on behalf of Esmeralda Cardoso

Request/Issue: Resident has had several cars crashing on her lawn and almost hitting her house. Requesting a guardrail be installed on her property.

15. 515 N. MAIN STREET/EAST MAIN STREET

Requester: Lt. William Schlieman, BPD

Issue/Request: Parking issues. Requesting parking regulations and signs.

16. SHEPPARD STREET

Requested by: Mary Boyd

Request/Issue: I would like to request a traffic sign that shows how fast they are speeding down Sheppard Street. They come down the street doing 50-60MPH. This could all stop if they also put speed bumps on the street.

17. KEITH AVENUE

Requested by: Kimberly Langford

Request/Issue: There is a ton of trash being dumped on Keith Ave directly across from South Middle School on the sidewalk/wooded area. I'm unsure who owns the wooded area but there is consistent dumping. Requesting No Trash Dumping sign right at the border of the sidewalk and the woods across from the school entrance.

18. TROY STREET

Requested by: Clarita Neal

Request/Issue: I live on Troy Street, with Levering Street connecting. Cars speed around this corner, there isn't a sidewalk for pedestrian use and it is a two way street. Requesting a Go Slow sign on the corner of Troy Street and Levering Street.

19. PINE STREET

Requested: Ada Alfonso

Issue/Request: Neighbors are parking on sidewalks, forcing school children, people in wheelchairs and other pedestrians to walk down the middle of the street. Groups of drivers on motor bikes are racing and performing stunts as they race down the street. Requesting stop signs and No Parking Signs.

20. MICHAEL DRIVE

Requested by: Sarah Hendrick

Request/Issue: This past year we have seen a surge in the number of cars going at speeds over 45-50MPH miles an hour with children attending the nearby Kennedy school and walkers. We need a sign to encourage slower driving on the street. Requesting Slow Down signs.