



City of Brockton

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CITY OF BROCKTON TRAFFIC COMMISSION AGENDA

Board or Committee	Traffic Commission
Day & Date	Thursday, July 25 th , 2024
Time of Meeting	6:00 p.m.
Meeting Location:	Arnone School Theater 135 Belmont Street Brockton, MA 02301
Traffic Commissioner Captain Mark Porcaro	Date: 7-19-2024

1. Call to Order
2. Quorum
3. Reading or Waiving and acceptance of the June 27th, 2024.

OLD BUSINESS

1. 515 N. MAIN STREET/EAST MAIN STREET

Requester: Lt. William Schlieman, BPD

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

PREVIOUS SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. There is no clearly-defined sidewalk there and the angled parking does not seem to be a traffic flow problem.

B. Recommend parking enforcement for the current NO PARKING regulation on the west side of E. Main St. by this area. As long as this side is kept clear and nobody illegally parks, there should be no problem with traffic flow.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. Replace the two existing and one missing NO PARKING signs on the west side of E. Main Street with three new signs that all read NO PARKING, STANDING, OR STOPPING.**
- B. Parking Enforcement.**
- C. Continue to monitor.**

2. AMES STREET AND N. MONTELLO STREET

Requested by: Councilor Lally

Request/Issue: Would like the Traffic Commission to review the safety and traffic at this intersection. Specifically to ban right hand turns for westbound traffic on Ames Street turning northbound onto N. Montello Street.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. Move the STOP line on N. Montello Street (for the southbound lane traffic) back (to the north) approximately 10 feet.**
- B. Install a new STOP HERE ON RED sign with a sign post identical to the one on N. Montello at E. Ashland Streets.**
- C. Prohibit Ames Street (westbound) traffic from turning right (onto N. Montello Street northbound) on red.**
- D. Install a NO RIGHT TURN ON RED sign and sign post in the northwest corner of the intersection facing the Ames Street westbound lane.**

3. FIELD STREET (BETWEEN SAWTELL AND SPARK)

Requested by: Councilor Lally

Request/Issue: Requesting speed/look out for children signs for Field Street between Sawtell and Spark Street at the request of a constituent.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. Install a 30 MPH sign on Pole #27 for Field Street westbound traffic.**
- B. Install a CAUTION CHILDREN sign on Pole #22 for Field Street westbound traffic.**

4. 29 LINWOOD STREET

Requested by: Councilor Phillip Griffin on behalf of Ayanna Cooks for her uncle Lindell Cooks

Request/Issue: The individual that lives at 29 Linwood Street is visually impaired. Requesting a Visually Impaired sign in front of the home and also asking if the volume of the Audible Pedestrian Signals along Belmont Street, from Papa Gino's to McDonald's, could be increased and if the pedestrian crossing time could be extended.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. Install a BLIND PERSON AREA yellow diamond sign and sign post by the fence post of 25 Linwood Street for southbound traffic.**

B. Install a BLIND PERSON AREA yellow diamond sign on Pole #6 by 50 Linwood Street for northbound traffic.

Note: the request was for a VISUALLY IMPAIRED PERSON sign, but BLIND PERSON AREA is MUTCD complaint.

5. ARLENE STREET

Requested by: Brianna Calderom

Request/Issue: Cars are parked on top of the grass/property. They are parking close to the fences on S. Leyden for both properties in that area and this risk damage to the fences. If they park on the street, they block the view of the intersection when turning out of Arlene Street. Requesting a No Parking on this side sign to be located on South Leyden Street in between Arlene Street and Riverview on the right side (facing south) where the wooden and chain link fences are.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Install a NO PARKING CORNER TO HERE sign with sign post from Arlene Street approximately 75 feet south to the catch basin on the westside of N. Leyden Street.

6. 812 NORTH MONTELLO STREET

Requested by: Manuel DePina

Request/Issue: My house is located at a 4 way stop intersection. There have been numerous accidents at that corner and there have been 3 car accidents on top of my yard. Recently a car went into my side yard and knocked down my entire fence and my grandkids playground. Requesting a guardrail for my home.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Request crash history before a guardrail decision can be made.

7. LENOX STREET

Requested by: Meaghan Arnold

Request/Issue: My daughter uses the school bus stop at Lenox/Monson Streets. It is extremely uncomfortable. The state of the intersection of Pleasant and West Street has added frustrated traffic driving inappropriate speeds through our neighborhood to avoid it. Requesting a Slow Children sign.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Install a 30 MPH sign on Pole #1 (by 37 Lenox Street) for southbound traffic.

B. Lower the existing 30 MPH sign on Pole #11 (by 122 Lenox Street) so that it is better seen by motorists.

C. Trim the branches around Pole #8 at the corner of Lenox and Monson Streets (branches are blocking the green street name sign, the street lights, and are near the utility lines.)

D. Relocate the SLOW CHILDREN sign currently on the tree in front of 15 Monson Street to its own post in the same area for westbound traffic.

8. PROSPECT STREET

Requested by: Theresa Selman

Request/Issue: Within three months two different vehicles have run into the pillars on the property. If there were metal guards and signage this would minimize injury and property damage. Requesting a guardrail with reflective sign to slow down. **(Traffic Commission member please see attached crash history)**

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Request crash history before a guardrail decision can be made.

9. 741 N. CARY STREET

Requested by: Kevin O'Gorman, 741 N. Cary St.

Issue/Request: Would like a new guardrail installed due to accidents.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Replace the existing CURVE AHEAD sign currently on Pole #97 (by 741 N. Cary Street) and relocate a new sign with sign post and yellow reflective striping to the same area.

B. Trim the branches blocking the street light on Pole #97.

C. Install a solar-powered blinking CURVE AHEAD sign behind the guardrail just south of 773 N. Cary Street. This sign would alert eastbound traffic on N. Cary Street as it approaches Toby Road.

D. Request a brighter street light (135 LED) for Pole #98 at the corner of N. Cary Street and Toby Road.

E. Install a solar-powered blinking CURVE AHEAD sign by Pole #100 (which is by 775 N. Cary Street) for the southbound traffic on N. Cary Street. This sign will be located in the northbound lane, but facing southbound traffic so that the solar panels will have greater sun exposure.

F. Add yellow reflective striping to the existing CURVE AHEAD sign post by 780 N. Cary Street.

G. Request street lights be installed on poles in front of 774 N. Cary Street.

10. CHERRY STREET AND DIVISION STREET

Requested by: Guilherme Vicente

Request/Issue: Accident Prone Are. The intersection of Cherry Street and Division Street has a history of accidents or near-misses, a stop sign can reduce the risk by enforcing stops and yielding. Requested a stop sign at this intersection. **(Traffic Commission members please see attached crash history)**

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Request BPD Records Division to provide a crash history before a 4-way stop decision can be made.

NEW BUSINESS

11. 18 LINNEA AVENUE

Requested by: previously requested by Councilor-at-Large David Teixeira on behalf of Maria Correia. Now being requested by: Jose Uiliam DaSilva
Request/Issue: Requesting the placement of a handicap sign at 18 Linnea Avenue as Maria Correia needs help when she needs to be transported.

PREVIOUS SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS: (APPROVED)

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.

12. MARKET STREET

Requested by: James Sweeney on behalf of Neusa Gomes
Request/Issue: We have a serious issue of cars driving up the one way on Market street. Drag racing is another issue especially with the two school. This happens multiple times a day. Signs are up but nothing seems to be working. We have neighbors that drive up the street with no care for safety. Along with that there are commercial trucks being parked on the streets blocking driveways and view of oncoming traffic backing from driveway. The dirt bikes and other off road vehicles are also an issue but I'm aware that's everywhere in the city.

13. 512 SUMMER STREET

Requested by: Nien Nguyen
Request/Issue: three (3) vehicles have hit my property in the last three (3) years. Requesting signage.

14. 12 HAMPTON AVENUE

Requested by: Francisco Aquiar
Request/Issue: Because of some traffic, they don't want to go through the light between Linwood and Belmont Street. They go through Hampton Avenue with full speed to go to Magnolia Avenue and Belmont Street. I have kids playing outside and are on school vacation. Requesting a Slow Children sign, 25MPH sign or a speed bump.

15. 144 FOSTER STREET

Requested by: Ariuna Jones
Request/Issue: Would like to take down the Autistic Child sign and replace with Children Go Slow or Slow Children sign to reduce the speeding on the street between 144/150 Foster Street.

16. 409 WEST ELM STREET

Requested by: Camilla Hoffman
Request/Issue: I live on the corner of West Elm Street and Moraine Street. We have had at least one (1) accident per week. People drive too fast and reckless. I have had a car drive up on my lawn. I am afraid to let my children play outside. Requesting Traffic lights at this location between West Elm Street and Moraine Street.

17.95 TREMONT STREET

Requested by: London Wayne Hall

Request/Issue: Too many accidents and speeding down French Avenue over 20MPH.

Requesting two (2) Stop signs at the corner of French Avenue coming from West Chestnut Street on both corners. **(Traffic Commission members please see attached photos)**

18. WOODARD AVENUE

Requested by: George Couture

Request/Issue: Thornton Avenue on the Woodard Avenue end does not have a stop sign and cars do not stop to take the turn. They seldom even slow down. There have been multiple near misses with both pedestrians and other drivers. Requesting a Stop Sign at the south end of Thornton Avenue.

19.41 RUSSELL ROAD

Requested by: Patricia Phillips Adams

Request/Issue: I have a brain injured child and I would like to have a handicap spot in front of my home.

20. CARL AVENUE

Requested by: Nadine Reed

Request/Issue: I am requesting speed humps be installed on Carl Avenue, as individuals using the street far exceed the 30 MPH speed limit. Most people drive extremely fast and endanger the lives of residents, especially young children.

21. 145 LINWOOD STREET

Requested by: Milouse Senecharles

Request/Issue: Requesting that the city either install guardrails at 145 Linwood Street or place speed bumps along the road to avoid additional accidents from occurring. 4 accidents have occurred so far and there needs to be a solution to avoid more accidents.