

City of Brockton

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CITY OF BROCKTON TRAFFIC COMMISSION AGENDA

Board or Committee		Traffic Commission	
Day & Date		Thursday, October 24th, 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: 10-18-2024

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Quorum
- 3. Reading or Waiving and acceptance of the September 26, 2024.

OLD BUSINESS

1. MAPLE AVENUE

Requested by: Retired Fire Chief Kenneth Galligan

Request/Issue: To allow general thru traffic on Maple Avenue from Crescent Street to Main Street westerly.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

Subcommittee visited this location, and although no formal recommendation is ready and we will be reaching out to various neighbors for their input, some possible ideas appear below:

- a. Remove the DO NOT ENTER and BUSES ONLY signs at the southern end of Maple Avenue near where it turns westerly and allow for general thru traffic southerly and westerly toward Main Street.
- b. Make Maple Avenue from its southernmost point where it turns westerly ONE WAY ONLY westerly to Main Street.

c. Install a DO NOT ENTER sign on Maple Avenue where the pavement and the socalled "brick road" meet to prevent traffic from going east on Maple Avenue (road is not wide enough to support two-way traffic).

Note that we spoke with Tommy Williams of the Brockton Parking Authority as he made his rounds and he agreed with our general concept to allow general thru traffic on Maple Avenue westerly to Main Street.

VOTED: CONTINUE TO OCTOBER AND REACH OUT TO BAT

2. NORTH AVENUE

Requested by: Councilor Lally

Request/Issue: Would like to request that No Parking signs be placed on the north side of North Avenue from Lynn Road to Hillstrom Park. There are existing parking regulations in place but due to the frequency of violations, it might be better to spell it out. The neighbors are also looking to get a new "Dead End" sign.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. Create a NO PARKING regulation from Lynn Road easterly on North Avenue to the dead end by Hillstrom Park.
- B. Install two (2) oversized NO PARKING HERE TO DEAD END signs, and replace the current NO PARKING sign in front of 312 North Avenue with a bigger one, and also installing another new oversized sign with sign post by the large rock on North Avenue at Lynn Road.
- C. Install a yellow diamond DEAD END sign above the oversized NO PARKING sign in front of 312 North Avenue.
- D. Install two more oversized NO PARKING EITHER SIDE signs with sign posts, one sign in front of 323 North Avenue and the other sign on Pole #29 (by 326 North Avenue).

3. LEWISTON STREET

Requested by: Lynn LeBlanc

Request/Issue: People drive down my street like it's the Indy 500. Requesting speed bumps.

(Continued from September meeting)

4. HANCOCK AVENUE

Requested by: David Burwell

Request/Issue: Speeding on the street during school hour morning and afternoon arrivals and exits, people cutting down the street to avoid the light (terrible). Have almost gotten hit leaving my driveway. Kids walking to school have to be careful, school buses cut through too. Requesting 25MPH sign- two signs would be nice. We have a sign in front of our house but no

one follows instructions.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. Replace all current signs with new ones (existing signs are faded and dirty)
- B. Traffic enforcement, when manpower permits.

5. MILDRED ROAD

Requested by: Councilor Thompson on behalf of James Dillion of 74 Mildred Street Request/Issue: Looking for options to reduce speeding on Mildred Street from cars coming off of Court Street.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Send a letter to Cardinal Spellman High School advising of a speeding complaint and forthcoming traffic enforcement.

B. Traffic enforcement, when manpower permits.

6. COPELAND AND MARKET STREET

Requested by: Jean Basile

Request/Issue: There are issues with speeding and going up the wrong way at this intersection. Looking for any/all suggestions that the Traffic Commission may have.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Add a second STOP sign with sign post and red reflective striping to Copeland Street at Market Street (southwest corner) for the southbound traffic on Copeland Street

B. Add STOP (preferably the elongated stencils) for pavement line painting.

7. SOUTHFIELD DRIVE

Requested by: Amanda Allen

Request/Issue: I am wondering if a crosswalk with a crossing sign can be installed across East Street from Southfield Drive.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Engineering study (for a crosswalk) has already been requested (we will await the results).

B. BPD Records Division three year crash data indicates no crashes at this location.

8. FROST AVENUE

Requested by: Jeff Fowler

Request/Issue: We've had an uptick (last couple of years) in cars driving at high rates of speed on Frost Ave, trying to beat the light at Forest/Ash, but also in general. Younger residents have moved in, parents are concerned, we've had two near misses with pedestrians. Councilor Farwell has suggested a Speed Hump, but we are open to any suggestions the commission may have to deter speed.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Install two (2) NO THRU TRAFFIC signs with sign posts and yellow reflective striping on both ends of Frost Avenue, one sign at Ash Street and the other at Othello Street.

9. LILLY AVENUE

Requested by: Evelyn Miranda

Request/Issue: Cars are constantly parked on both sides of Lilly Avenue close to the corner that meets with Market Street. Requesting parking be limited to one side of the street and/or prohibit parking to the corner. (Traffic Commission members please see attached photos)

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Create a no parking regulation on the westside of Lilly Avenue from the corner of the driveway southerly to Market Street.

B. Install a NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER with sign post on the westside of Lilly Avenue at the driveway corner.

10.512 SUMMER STREET

Requested by: Nien Nguyen

Request/Issue: three (3) vehicles have hit my property in the last three (3) years. Requesting signage. (Traffic Commission Members please see attached email from Bartlett relative to the installation of the previously approved guardrail)

PREVIOUS SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Install two (2) guardrail panels in front of 512 Summer Street (by the shrubs).

B. Install reflective chevrons pointing in opposite directions behind the guardrails.

NEW BUSINESS

11.PACKARD STREET

Requested by: Councilor Susan Nicastro on behalf of Kelly Chalas

Request/Issue: There has been a continuing problem with vehicles traveling the wrong way on Packard Street. Requesting additional signage such as DO NOT ENTER or WRONG WAY signs.

12. INTERSECTION OF SNELL AVENUE & HILLSIDE AVENUE

Requested by: Councilor Susan Nicastro on behalf of the residents in this neighborhood.

Request/Issue: The speed at which vehicles travel on these side roads is concerning. The residents would like the Traffic Commission to consider making this intersection a four way stop.

13. MONSON STREET

Requested by: Wanda Traverss

Request/Issue: A neighbor keeps parking less than 1 foot from the stop sign at the corner of Monson & West Street causing a serious safety risk to people entering/exiting the street. I have almost been hit 3 times because traffic has to come into my lane to get around the SUV. Requesting a NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER sign.

14.765 SUMMER STREET

Requested by: Joanne Barrett

Request/Issue: Multiple cars go down the wrong way on a daily basis. There is a deaf child and lots of children walking home from school. They speed going down the wrong direction. Additional signs requested. Preferably lower to the ground. Also yellow reflective arrows.

15.403 MAIN STREET

Requested by: Edson Fernandes/The Universal Church

Request/Issue: Multiple pedestrians crossing on Main Street. Requesting a Pedestrian Crossing sign, traffic lights and/or a crosswalk at this location. (Traffic Commission members please see attached photos)

16. WINTER/BONNEY STREETS

Requested by: Councilor John Lally

Request/Issue: Cars park on Bonney Street close to the corner making it difficult for vehicles to enter or exit the street safely. Requested "No Parking" signs on Bonney Street near the corner.

17.LISA DRIVE

Requested by: Councilor John Lally

Request/Issue: Requesting a review of Lisa Drive to make sure proper signage and traffic control measures are in place. Lisa Drive is a densely populated area with a lot of children, no sidewalks and a substantial volume of traffic.

18. N. QUINCY AND N. CARY STREETS

Requested by: Councilor John Lally, Ward 6

Request/Issue: To re-examine this location for possible improvements.

(Traffic Commission members please see attached crash history and Tighe & Bond

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