



City of Brockton

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CITY OF BROCKTON TRAFFIC COMMISSION AGENDA

Board or Committee	Traffic Commission	
Day & Date	Thursday, January 23rd, 2025	
Time of Meeting	6:00 p.m.	
Meeting Location:	Arnone School Theater 135 Belmont Street Brockton, MA 02301	
Traffic Commissioner Captain Mark Porcaro		Date: 1-21-2025

1. Call to Order
2. Quorum
3. Reading or Waiving and acceptance of the December 12th, 2024.

OLD BUSINESS

1. UNION STREET

Requested by: Councilor Susan Nicastro, Ward 4

Issue/Request: Union Street is a one-way street, running eastbound from Main Street to Montello Street. Union Street has both residential and school properties. There is a complaint of one-way/wrong way violations occurring there. Request the Traffic Commission review the current signs, particularly at the Montello Street end, to see if better signs may help the problem. Additionally, any other relief the Traffic Commission may deem appropriate. **(Traffic Commission members please see attached SeeClickFix)**

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

This issue has already been addressed via Mr. Matthew Campbell's (Brockton Public Schools) request a few months ago. New signs have been installed on Union Street from Montello to Main Streets emphasizing the one-way regulation and fire hydrant

parking issue. Captain Porcaro very recently emailed Mr. Campbell to check in and see how the new signs are working and he replied that they were working well and had no issues to report.

2. BELMONT AVENUE AND WEST ELM STREET

Requested by: Wayde Francis

Request/Issue: Religiously there are at least 3-4 car crashes at this location per week. It is crazy how the city hasn't figured this out yet. The Traffic Commission came out and thought the hedges from the neighbor's house was the problem but it's not. It needs a sign.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

This location has appeared on several Traffic Commission agendas recently and we have taken action either through letters to a property owner, installing new signs, and contacting Brockton Public Schools about changing a bus stop. Recommend sending this issue/location to CDM Smith Engineering for an engineering study for guidance.

3. HILLSIDE AVENUE BETWEEN SUMMER ST. AND CONCORD ST.

Requested by: Officer Derek Salamone, Brockton Police Department

Request/Issue: Many residents have complained of speeding on Hillside Avenue between Summer Street and Concord Street. Most of the speeding is westbound on Hillside Avenue. There are no speed limit signs in that direction. Would like to post one heading westbound.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend installing one or two 30 MPH speed limit signs on Hillside Avenue (one eastbound and the other westbound) based on locations to be determined by BPD Ofc. Derek Salamone.

4. INTERSECTION OF GROVE STREET AND LAWRENCE STREET

Requested by: Councilor Jeffrey Thompson

Request/Issue: Recently a young girl was struck by a motor vehicle at this intersection. Requesting that the Traffic Commission take a look at the intersection for additional safety measures.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

This issue has already been sent to the Old Colony Planning Council (OCPC) for a Road Safety Analysis (RSA). Once OCPC gets back to the Traffic Commission with the RSA's results, we will put this back on the agenda for review.

5. 112 CROSS STREET

Requested by: Jude Cherie

Request/Issue: Would like to discuss this intersection of Prospect Street and Cross Street.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Replace the existing STOP sign on Cross Street at Prospect Street with a new one for southbound traffic;

B. Install a new STOP AHEAD sign with a yellow reflective striping on Cross Street (southbound lane) immediately past the rear parking lot entrance to the Masonic Lodge;

C. Install a new STOP sign with a sign post and red reflective striping by the utility pole on Cross Street at Prospect Street (northeast corner by the hedges); and

D. Install a bi-directional chevron sign (chevrons pointing east and west) in front of the fence on Prospect Street directly across from Cross Street.

NEW BUSINESS

6. DIVISION STREET

Requested by: Estelle Lubin

Request/Issue: The street has many small children and too often cars are speeding and I fear they will hit someone. This week (week of 12/4) there was a pedestrian hit at the entry of the street and I would like to prevent this from happening to someone else. Requesting speed bumps on Division Street.

7. WARREN AVENUE AT MARKET STREET

Requested by: Darcie Edwards

Request/Issue: The school year for Huntington School is being used again at 1121 Warren Avenue. I am the nurse at the school and there have been 10 car accidents since September at this intersection that require cars emergency service and cars being towed. Requesting that this intersection be a 4 way stop for the safety of the kids crossing the intersection.

8. QUINCY STREET

Requested by: Anthony Bassett

Request/Issue: There appears to be a protected left turn phase for the E/W traffic and not the N/S traffic. Centre Street is Route 124 but MassDOT indicates signal changes can be permitted , if approved and requested by the appropriate city representatives. Requesting modification to the traffic signal timing to add protected left turn phase at Centre and Quincy Street.

9. CHATHAM WEST DRIVE

Requested by: Matthew Andruk

Request/Issue: It's difficult to turn left from Oak Street to Chatham West Drive. Almost got hit due to people constantly flying on that road and unable to see them coming due to poor visibility on that section of the road. Requesting arrow traffic lights.

10. PINE GROVE DRIVE

Requested by: Gloria Mercado

Request/Issue: I have a daughter with severe Autism and where I live the cars are parking next to me and it is unsafe to bring my daughter to the car and she is unable to get in the car safely. Requesting a Autistic Child sign.

11. COURT STREET BRIDGE

Requested by: James Sweeney

Request/Issue: Box trucks frequently get stuck under the bridge. Requesting a flashing chevron or any other measures the Traffic Commission deems appropriate.

12. 147 CENTRE STREET

Requested by: Jed Hresko

Request/Issue: On behalf of our 64- unit condominium trust. Requesting modification of the winter parking ban to allow parking on some of the downtown streets where parking is currently banned. In particular Commercial Street and Centre Street. **(Traffic Commission members please see attached Winter Parking Ban)**

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. **(Traffic Commission Members please see attached scope of work quote from Bartlett Consolidated)**

14. VINEDALE ROAD

Requested by: Retired Fire Chief Kenneth Galligan

Request/Issue: Would like a Not A Thru Way sign placed northbound on Vinedale Road at Cumberland Drive

15. 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. **(Traffic Commission members please see attached CDM Smith Engineering Study)**

CONCLUSION

Based on the criteria outlined in the MUTCD and analysis of the area, CDM Smith finds that the installation of pedestrian crosswalks at the intersection of East Street and Southfield Drive may be appropriate. Pedestrian volumes at the intersection remain relatively low but steady throughout the day, with a pronounced increase in the afternoon that aligns with the Davis K-8 School dismissal hour. Three Brockton City Schools bus routes stop at the intersection to pick up and drop off students. It is recommended to install a crosswalk across the southern leg of East Street. Along with the crosswalk on East Street, ADA-compliant sidewalks and pedestrian curb ramps should also be installed at the crosswalk. Given the prevalence of speeding throughout the East Street corridor, high visibility signage and crosswalks are recommended to enhance driver awareness of potential pedestrians in the vicinity. School crossing assemblies are appropriate for the crossing due to the proximity to the Davis K-8 school and the bus stop location. As identified in the April 2023 East Street Corridor Study, installing additional radar speed limit feedback signs and speed tables along the straight sections of the roadway was recommended to help mitigate speeding. These measures remain relevant for the East Street corridor.