



BROCKTON TRAFFIC COMMISSION
Wednesday, August 6th, 2025
6:00 P.M.

MINUTES

The Traffic held a Special Traffic Commission meeting via Zoom at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 6th, 2026,

Present were Traffic Commission Members: Traffic Commissioner Captain Mark Porcaro, DPW Commissioner Patrick Hill, Retired Fire Chief Kenneth Galligan, Director Stephan Hooke and James Sweeney.

There being a proper quorum, the meeting was called to order by Traffic Commissioner Captain Porcaro at 6:03 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

1. 142 MAIN STREET

Requested by: Ryan McGrath, General Superintendent of Special Projects for Rubicon Builders.

Issue/request: Mr. McGrath will discuss the sidewalk construction project and road taking in front of 142 Main Street.

Discussion: Ryan McGrath, David Traggorth and Shiradwaj Indresh were all present. Ryan stated I tried to color code the logistics plan and be as descriptive as possible. So you can see on the plan, we did note the jersey barriers and a perimeter fence, which we thought would be best to put on the inside of the jersey barriers and on each end of the work area we will have a gate. This way it's accessible, either by the Fire Department or trucks to import or export soils. We likely won't have to take any deliveries there we can still take it through the back of the buildings, so we will try to minimize that of course. We would be taking the jersey barriers down before the end of the season. Like we talked about, we plan to do surveillance on the site, we have signage on both ends of the gate. We discussed the scam, I do think that it's best to avoid the scam, however, we could be agreeable if you guys felt strongly about it. We will have

signage that states "Construction Ahead Cross Here" that way we are keeping things fairly simple and we are adding additional crosswalks and doing curb cuts. Before the season ends and we take jersey barriers out, we will still need to be working in the sidewalk area, so I would not plan to pour the sidewalk until next spring. We would bring it up to grade and give it the ability to put the lifts on there. My concern is damaging the sidewalks because we will have a lot of lifts on there doing all the masonry work on the façade. Just so everyone was aware. After the utilities work is done and the retaining wall work is done will infill that with structural fill and leave it at grade, giving us ability to access area and for lifts to be put on it and perform the work. It will get damaged and in order to not have to replace it for a second time this is the best route to take. We will try to prioritize all of the utility work, we do have all of the new fire services coming in. We have to tie into the existing sewer in the street. We will incorporate all of that work within this season. That is the overall plan. DPW Commissioner Hill stated so you said before the season, so before December is that correct? Mr. McGrath yes. Retired Fire Chief Galligan stated I have a couple of suggestions. If you have to take the light posts down in front of the building will you have electricity in the buildings where you can put temporary lights in the front of the building, so it's not pitch black along that stretch of Main Street? Mr. McGrath stated that we are maintaining the existing 600 amp electrical service. We have the ability to bring power over there and we had a plan to do that anyways. For us, it's a standard code requirement, to maintaining foot candles inside the site and within the outside of the site, especially out front. Retired Fire Chief Galligan stated that the lightening will help show up the jersey barriers as you are coming north on Main Street. DPW Commissioner Hill asked if the intent is to leave the parking area with no barriers on it, I can see the barriers out on Main Street running north to south but I don't see anything on the endcaps east to west? Mr. McGrath stated that that would prevent us from accessing the area and we wouldn't be able to export, so we have to demolish the sidewalk and it's going to be open to the basement and during that time we have to install the retaining wall, do the utility work, however, if we put barriers there, that would prevent us from getting soil out of the area. There is no other means of getting it out of the basement without the machines. If we do that, it kind of squeezes us and prevents us access to the area. We did consider it, however, overall, we did feel it was less beneficial to put the jersey barriers there. DPW Commissioner Hill stated that on the southside, it would make more sense to me, especially with the one way traffic heading north, if you at least had one barrier in there because it's likely that a car that isn't paying attention for a few seconds may drive right through that fence and right into your area, whereas, if you had a barrier there with some form of reflectivity on it, you may prevent that. You could simply back any kind of vehicles you have into the area but traffic on Main Street, especially at night goes pretty quick. Mr. McGrath stated that in the morning, I'm there at 6 am and some of these people go flying by, so it's point. We can certainly do that, I think my only concern was access, so we can back it in and put a row of jersey barriers on the southern side and I can revise the plan to reflect that. DPW Commissioner Hill asked if we would be able to get a tentative schedule so that we know when this stuff is going out and I would like to go out there and take a peek at it before you butting everything up. Mr. McGrath stated we do have a master schedule and I

will be updating it, so this is actually driving a lot of work activity, so once we know when we are able to proceed, I can revise the schedule and give you a snapshot of what's happening and when. We release a weekly schedule and I would be happy to put you on the distribution list, we call it a 3 week look ahead. It's snapshot of the work that is happening the next 2 weeks. We would be happy to keep you in the loop and anytime you would want to come down for a walk I would be happy to show you the job site. Retired Chief Galligan stated that on the fence that you are going to put up, I think we discussed this last time, that the fence would be on the street side of the barrier, correct? Mr. McGrath stated I planned on putting it on the inside of the barrier. The jersey barriers have holes and you can put the fence on top of it but those are easy to tamper with, so we felt it was best to have the fence on the inside, that way there is no post that you can try and pull out of there and there is no fence to tamper with down low. In the event that someone did side swipe one of the jersey barriers it wouldn't damage the fence along with it. Our plan is to put the fence on the inside, on the building side, not on the street side of the jersey barriers. Retired Fore Chief Galligan stated that one thing that I would suggest is that if there should be an accident and that gets hit on a Friday night, you don't want a mess down there until Monday when you guys come back to work. Do you have pole that would be on call that could address any situation? Mr. McGrath stated, yes, that would be me and, in the event, that we needed equipment that would be the site contractor. In terms of fencing or anything that happens with the building, I am the site superintendent and I would responsible and I will be on call for anything that comes up. I have signage up at the site and I will have contact information so that anyone can reach me after hours. DPW Commissioner Hill stated that the calls will end up with me. The more contact we have with you the better.

VOTED: To approve the plans as presented with the recommended adjustments to the jersey barriers as discussed.

Upon duly motion made by DPW Commissioner Patrick Hill, seconded by James Sweeney, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

Motion was made by DPW Commissioner Patrick Hill, seconded by James Sweeney, to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary to the Traffic Commission