



BROCKTON TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Thursday, December 11th, 2025

6:00 P.M.

MINUTES

The Traffic held its monthly meeting at the Arnone School Little Theater, 135 Belmont Street, Brockton, MA 02301, at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 11th, 2025.

Present were Traffic Commission Members: Traffic Commissioner Captain Mark Porcaro, Retired Fire Chief Kenneth Galligan, Director Hooke, Councillor Lally and Deputy Fire Chief Joseph DePasquale.

There being a proper quorum, the meeting was called to order by Traffic Commissioner Captain Porcaro at 6:01 p.m. Upon motion made by Councillor Lally, seconded by Director Hooke, to waive and approve the reading of the 10-22-2025 Special Traffic Commission Minutes, the 10-30-2025 Special Traffic Commission Minutes and the 10-23-2025 Traffic Commission Minutes.

OLD BUSINESS

1. AMES STREET AT NORTH CARY

Requested by: Councillor John Lally

Request/Issue: Requesting that the stop at the top of Ames Road be changed to a flashing stop.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Install a flashing STOP sign on Ames Street at N. Cary Street for eastbound traffic.

B. Install a Stop Ahead Sign eastbound on Ames Street at N. Cary Street

VOTED: TO ADD RECOMMENDATION "B" AND ACCEPT SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Upon duly motion made by Councillor Lally, seconded by Deputy Fire Chief Joseph DePasquale, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

2. 23 ELECTRIC AVENUE

Requested by: Councillor Jeffrey Thompson on behalf of Jacquolyn Payne-Thompson

Request/Issue: Requesting a handicap spot in front of her house. (**handicap placard provided**)

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

Replace all of the faded NO PARKING signs on the eastside of Electric Avenue with no time restrictions anymore. There shall be no parking allowed at any time, and this conforms to the current regulation in our records.

VOTED: TO ACCEPT SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Upon duly motion made by Councillor Lally, seconded by Director Hooke, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

3. 55 SUMMER STREET

Requested by: Councillor Jeffrey Thompson

Request/Issue: Seeking the Traffic Commission's review of parking and additional safety enhancements of the wide street area near 55 Summer Street.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. For pavement line painting, extend the white line separating the two lanes on Summer Street at the Pine Street intersection northerly to around Pole #7.

B. Install a LEFT LANE FOR LEFT TURN sign with signpost on the westside of the road near 55 Summer Street for the southbound traffic.

VOTED: TO ACCEPT SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Upon duly motion made by Retired Fire Chief Galligan, seconded by Director Hooke, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

4. 87 SAWTELL AVENUE

Requested by: Angila Griffin

Request/Issue: I have adopted 4 medically complex children and 3 of them have Autism. My children are wanderers. Plus people speed on this street. I was wondering if I could get a sign for the kids and other people to know this is their home. (**medical documentation provided**)

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Install an AUTISTIC CHILD sign on Pole #9 (in front of 67 Sawtell Ave.) for the northbound lane.

B. Install an AUTISTIC CHILD sign on the utility pole on Sawtell Ave. at Camden St. for the southbound lane.

VOTED: TO ACCEPT SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Upon duly motion made by Councillor Lally, seconded by Deputy Fire Chief Joseph DePasquale, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

5. N. QUINCY AND EAST ASHLAND STREET

Requested by: Ednaida Teixeira

Request/Issue: A pedestrian crossing signal is needed because three schools and bus stop are nearby. Many children cross daily and a signal will protect them, reduce accidents and ensure drivers stop, keeping students and families safe. Requesting a Pedestrian Crossing sign.

Discussion: Traffic Commissioner Porcaro stated that the Secretary forwarded us an email from Ms. Teixeira yesterday. Jed Hresko was present and stated that he was glad that she emailed as he wasn't aware that she emailed. He stated that he had spoken with her at last week's meeting that did not take place and that she had stated that there is no No Turn on Red sign recommended. Traffic Commissioner Porcaro read Ms. Teixeira's email into the record. Mr. Hresko stated that if you recall this had come up. The kids get the green light, right? But the cars come and they do no turn on red so they don't have any opportunity to cross. And then as was established, you can't re you can't add pedestrian flashes or whatever to that intersection as it is. Then as you know, I live on Centre Street by Commercial, I realize we do have signs there. For example, where the split is between School street and Commercial and that triangle, those lights there, there's these special no turn red. Deputy Fire Chief DePasquale stated that the walk signal comes on automatically with the light. Mr. Hresko stated that there is a metal sign above it that's got like a yield. So even if you couldn't read the words you might see it. Deputy Fire Chief DePasquale stated that's because every time that cycles you get the crosswalk at the same time as the green. He further stated that the engineering rules state you can't do right into a head, but you can do a left. You can do a green light for a left because you can see the person but a right, it's your blind spot. Councillor Lally stated that he spoke directly to Ms. Teixeira and she does appreciate what is recommended but she thinks the no turn on red is very important to the intersection. I think no turn on red solves a couple of things. People are informally creating two lanes at that intersection to break off to go to the left to break off, to go to the right. There's not supposed to be two lanes there. So it does cause a bit of risk and a bit of tight squeeze. The concern would be implementation and enforcement. We put that in and we need to make sure that we are prepared to act on it because there's going to be a lot of people who are scooting through that intersection. We have to make sure that we're prepared to enforce it when we do it. He further stated that he would agree that it could cut down on some of the danger and some of the incidents at the intersection. Retired Fire Chief Galligan stated that obviously we believe that putting a pedestrian signal at that corner is the ultimate answer and we all know that there's no money to do it. So as a commission, I think what we do, the best thing we can do is to put up the pedestrian side for the crosswalk. I think that's how I voted this as far as putting up a no turn from two to four. We will never be able to enforce that. I think it's either has to be at all time no turn on red or nothing. He further stated that if you're coming from Abington towards Brockton, as you come up that grade, it is very difficult to see to the left. That would make sense for a no turn on red. Councilor Lally agreed that it would need to be at all times. Retired Fire Chief Galligan stated that if you put up a no turn on red, that may

discourage somebody from trying to sneak up on the right side of somebody to turn right on red. Mr. Hresko stated that he heard you were talking about the one side of the intersection, meaning coming from the east, from Abington? I think I did hear some mention on the other side because I just want to point out that her kids would not be on the Abington side.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Install a PEDESTRIANS sign with signpost and yellow reflective striping on N. Quincy St. approximately 50 feet north of the intersection for southbound traffic.

B. Install a PEDESTRIANS sign on Pole #50 (by 87 N. Quincy St.) for the northbound traffic.

VOTED: TO ACCEPT SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AND SEND BACK TO SUBCOMMITTEE TO DETERMINE IF A NO TURN ON RED SIGN SHOULD BE INSTALLED.

Upon duly motion made by Councillor Lally, seconded by Deputy Fire Chief Joseph DePasquale, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

6. 11 GIFFORD STREET

Requested by: Pedro Martins

Request/Issue: Due to operation I need to be able to access to travel. Requesting a handicap spot in front of my house.(**medical documentation provided**)

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

Install a Handicap Parking sign with signpost in front of the above on the westside of the road, northerly from the driveway to the front walk.

VOTED: TO ACCEPT SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Upon duly motion made by Councillor Lally, seconded by Director Hooke, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

7. MORELAND STREET

Requested by: Elizabethe Pires

Requested/Issue: There are only two No Parking signs (which are faded) on Moreland Street. But they are located on one end of the street (towards Spring Street) The other end does not have any signs (towards Green Street). Requesting two (2) additional No Parking signs and replace the faded existing No Parking signs.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Modify the current regulation to now read "NO PARKING east side of Moreland Street, from Spring Street southerly to Green Street."

B. Replace existing NO PARKING signs.

C. Install new NO PARKING signs on the eastside of the road on the remaining utility poles.

VOTED: TO ACCEPT SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Upon duly motion made by Deputy Fire Chief DePasquale, seconded by Councillor Lally, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

8. LAWN STREET

Requested by: Councillor Jeffrey Thompson

Request/Issue: Seeking No Parking signs on the right side of Lawn Street especially where Lawn and Henry Streets meet.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

Install a NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER sign with signpost southside of Lawn Street, approximately 40 feet west from Henry Street.

VOTED: TO ACCEPT SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Upon duly motion made by Councillor Lally, seconded by Director Hooke, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

9. 631 N. MAIN STREET AND 651 N. MONTELLO STREET

Requested by: Jonathan Booker

Request/Issue: No visible School zone ahead signs on N. Main Street or N. Montello; No visible school crossing sign near crosswalks next to Trinity Catholic school and School zone speed limit with flashing beacons are outdated and faded. Requesting School Ahead, School Crossing and School Zone flashing beacons updated.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Install a CROSSWALK sign (and diagonal arrow sign) with signpost and yellow reflective striping by 611 N. Montello St. for northbound traffic.

B. Same as the recommendation above, but install opposite 615 N. Montello Street for the southbound lane.

C. Engineering study for the School Zone.

VOTED: TO ACCEPT SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Upon duly motion made by Councillor Lally, seconded by Director Hooke, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

10. CRESCENT AND QUINCY STREETS

Requested by: Councillor Jeffrey Thompson

Request/Issue: Seeking fresh line painting and a new traffic sign identifying the Claire Saltonstall Bikeway along Crescent and Quincy Streets. **(Continued from October meeting for an update as to whether or not Mass DOT responded to letter that was sent)**

Discussion: Traffic Commissioner Porcaro read the Mass DOT letter into the records. Traffic Commissioner Porcaro stated that this is a massive thing. If we're going to do it, that's going to fall on the shoulders of the DPW. This has to start with a massive engineering study from Holbrook all the way to East Bridgewater. Councillor Lally stated that it looks like we're just trying to put the signs back up. The bikeways existed for decades and there are signs up. There are signs on North Quincy Street. Traffic Commissioner Porcaro asked if there is a bike lane though in the road? Councillor Lally stated no, they did this before they thought of the concept of bike lanes. He further stated that if you think you're going to fit a bike lane on North Quincy, good luck. Exactly. But this is an existing bikeway. It's not a bike lane, it's a bikeway. He further stated that I think it's good. I think it's an asset for us to have. We can encourage its use. We are not being asked to re-engineer this entire project. We're being asked to make sure that the lines along the roadways carrying the bikeway are fresh and clear and that the signs, the existing signs are replaced and maybe new signs be added. I would make a motion to send this to Subcommittee to determine where to put the signage. Traffic Commissioner Porcaro stated that the state said it's ours. Councillor Lally stated that the state says it's ours, but it's an existing bikeway and it doesn't seem like we're being asked to do anything other than upgrade the signage. He further stated that Commissioner you are absolutely right, if we were to attempt to refit any kind of lane into this, we'd have to close a couple of schools or something. There's no harm in replacing the signage. We asked the state who's in charge of this and they said we are. Mr. Hresko stated that there are numerous websites that have like bike trails and I do clearly remember reading one that described the route as we know it, which is just some signs, no separation in almost all of it. Pretty rough as a cyclist. So I don't think the expectation amongst the cycling community at all is that there's a bike lane there. Honestly most people don't recommend the route just because there is no separation. I don't think if you put the signs up, there would be any stink about it. We're formally affiliated with Mass Bike, which is statewide advocacy organization. We have a great relationship with them, so I don't think we need to run interference. I think that's probably actually a decent compromise because I certainly, I had said it prior meetings that none of us think that Quincy Street is on our list of priority routes in the City of Brockton. I had mentioned Crescent Street would be a much better use of our resources. I agreed there are choke points like, like down by Christos where there's just no room for a bike lane there, even in the existing configuration. Traffic Commissioner Porcaro stated what's the difference between a bike lane like on West Elm Street or Main Street and a bikeway? Mr. Hresko stated that I feel like this is the equivalent of, you know how you follow some state highways or state roads or whatever and it's just a series of signs, right? It's just you take this right. That's what it sounds like. It's like a more like a wave line here. Retired Fire Chief Galligan stated that if you rode your bike from Boston to Cape Cod this is the route you would take to go. Councillor Lally stated that as a little bit of background, the bikeway was laid out and designated officially in 1978. So much of what we are dealing with now was not even a concept to them. But the Chief is right it runs to the Cape. It's kind of like a 3A situation. Councillor Lally stated that all we need to do is replace the signs. He further stated that Councillor Thompson just wants the fog lines repainted.

VOTED: REPLACE ALL OF THE CLAIRE SALTONSTALL BIKEWAY SIGNAGE FROM BOUNDARY STREET TO THATCHER STREET ALONG THE ROUTE.

Upon duly motion made by Councillor Lally, seconded by Deputy Fire Chief Joseph DePasquale, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

11. WEST STREET

Requested by: Stephen O'Malley

Request/Issue: Reynolds Memorial Highway crossing Pleasant Street onto West Street southerly the 2 lanes abruptly turn into 1 lane and the left lane ends near Palmer Street. No signage or pavement markings are present. Requesting Lane ends/merge sign along with required pavement markings. **(previously on 9/24/2025 Agenda and sent letter to Mass DOT)**

Discussion: Traffic Commissioner Porcaro states that Mass DOT stated that it's us that should take care of this.

VOTED: TO SEND TO SUBCOMMITTEE

Upon duly motion made by Deputy Fire Chief Joseph DePasquale, seconded by Councillor Lally, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

NEW BUSINESS

12. BREER STREET

Requested by: Malinda Weiss

Request/Issue; Speeding everyday all day and night. Breer Street isn't a main road, it's a cut through. This is a school zone. Why is there no school zone sign anywhere for Brockton High. No Flashing Blinking light. There should be speed bumps on Breer Street. Requesting School Zone sign and speed bumps as other towns have them.

Discussion: Ms. Weiss was not present.

VOTED: TO SEND TO SUBCOMMITTEE

Upon duly motion made by Retired Fire Chief Galligan, seconded by Councillor Lally, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

13. 125 OAK STREET

Request by: Captain Mark Porcaro (BPD/Traffic Commission) on behalf of Principal Leah McKetty, Raymond Elementary

Request/Issue: Dismissal time traffic exiting the Raymond School and turning left onto Oak Street prevents the other exiting traffic from leaving until Oak Street traffic allows the vehicles out. Requesting RIGHT TURN ONLY sign (with time restriction). Location of sign- One sign on Oak Street facing each of the school's exits.

Discussion: Traffic Commissioner Porcaro stated that I went up there and I met with the principal maybe a month or so ago. As the parents or whomever are leaving the Raymond and they want to take a left on Oak Street to go easterly unless Oak Street traffic lets them out. They just sit there and sit there and the Raymond School traffic's backing up behind them. No one can leave. So the principal was just asking for no left turn there to help alleviate that. Everyone leaving the Raymond, you have to take a right. Retired Fire Chief Galligan stated that it's just as bad in the morning. If you go up there at around 9 a.m. It's a disaster. The problem is they got two driveways servicing at school and it might make sense if we as a subcommittee actually went there at like say nine o'clock in the morning just to observe what's going on up there. That would be my suggestion to get firsthand knowledge of it. But something has to be done. It's awful. Councillor Lally stated that while we are there we should also take a look at North Junior High. The whole section is awful. Deputy Fire Chief DePasquale stated that in the afternoon when it's pickup time, when that roadway fills up stay on Oak Street with their left directional line waiting to get in for half an hour and then block Oak Street. If a truck is there heading east and it can't pass, it completely shuts down Oak Street until the school dismissee. Councillor Lally stated if there were a fire at Crown Linen in one of those times and they called Station 3, we'd be better off telling them to put it out themselves. Deputy Fire Chief DePasquale stated that part of the issue is that it's so narrow.

VOTED: TO SEND TO SUBCOMMITTEE

Upon duly motion made by Deputy Fire Chief Joseph DePasquale, seconded by Councillor Lally, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

14. 900 ASH STREET

Request by: Captain Mark Porcaro (BPD/Traffic Commission) on behalf of Principal Kelly Kistler, Kennedy School

Request/Issue: Principal Kistler would like a review of the current crosswalk location that extends from the school over to Michael Drive to see if it can be relocated so that it will no longer interfere with the school's driveway.

Discussion: Traffic Commissioner Porcaro stated if you look at the driveway that leaves the Kennedy, see where the crosswalk is, just north of Rogan's Way on Ash Street. That's the one she's talking about. As cars are leaving Rogan's Way they want to take a right, there's the crosswalk right there. She would like to bring it closer to the school.

VOTED: TO SEND TO SUBCOMMITTEE

Upon duly motion made by Retired Fire Chief Galligan, seconded by Councillor Lally, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

15. ELECTRIC AVENUE

Requested by: Captain Mark Porcaro on behalf of Brockton School PD
Request/Issue: The No Parking time restriction change to the existing signs on Electric Avenue will coincide with the school bus arrival and departure times better. Requesting No Parking from 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

VOTED: TO TAKE NO ACTION

Upon duly motion made by Retired Fire Chief Galligan, seconded by Deputy Fire Chief DePasquale, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

16. GARFIELD STREET

Requested by: Maria Sinord
Request/Issue: The newly installed No Parking Corner to Here sign takes up 3 parking spots. Would like the sign removed.

PREVIOUSLY APPROVED SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS (MAY 2025):

- A. Put a new TRUCK ROUTE sign on Pole #84 (corner of Montello and Garfield Streets) for southbound truck traffic.**
- B. Recommend a street light for Pole #84.**
- C. Install a NO PARKING CORNER TO HERE sign with signpost on Garfield Street, approximately 20 to 25 feet westerly from Montello Street on the northside of Garfield Street.**
- D. Install a NO TRUCKS sign with signpost on the south side of Garfield Street on the park grass near the Montello Street entrance.**
- E. Install a green GARFIELD ST street name sign on Pole #84.**

Discussion: Traffic Commissioner Captain Porcaro stated that he went to this location last Friday morning and I met with the requestor just to get a feel for what was going on. The current, no parking here to corner is also installed on the same sign post that the resident parking only 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. sign is. It's my opinion that it's beyond 20 to 25 feet westerly of Montello Street. So I can understand why it's taken up a lot of parking spaces, but like I explained to the people last week, I want to hear from the fire department tonight because if fire engines are coming north on Montello Street, if they have to swing onto Garfield Street, how much clearance do they need to make that swing? Deputy Fire Chief DePasquale stated that it depends on how the traffic conditions, but it's a fairly open corner. So I don't think it would be too much of an issue if we needed to amend this. But remembering when we were there, I feel like we were only doing the corner, right? Of which Traffic Commissioner Captain Porcaro stated yes. Deputy Fire Chief DePasquale stated what is our legal authority anyway? Like you can't park a certain distance from an intersection. Traffic Commissioner Porcaro stated that you can't park within 20 feet of an intersection. So I think we were in line with the ordinance anyways. Deputy Fire Chief DePasquale stated that if we need to move it down 20 feet that shouldn't be an issues. Mr. Sinord was also present and stated that we had already had a fire hydrant there before they put the utilities in for the new building right across the street. So there was never really any cars parked on that corner anyways. Plus there's a crosswalk. So I was just wondering if that sign could

have been at the bridge. I understand signs are important. Big city, a lot of people. But we just wanted to see if the sign could be at the very least moved towards close to where the corner actually is. There's already a sign on the other side of the road, that's one way that says you can't park from the corner to there. So that was the main concern and they just been kind of been relentless with tickets when it comes to parking and you know, we've tried to park in different places but they still ticket us. So we're kind of at like a loss of where we can park. Retired Fire Chief Galligan stated # 16 Garfield Street, "C" is the north side of Garfield Street and this came up because for years there was a fire hydrant on the corner so you couldn't park, they relocated the hydrant and the next thing we had people packing directly on the corner so they couldn't make the turn. So this one here references the north side of Garfield Street. Are you talking on the south side towards the park? Traffic Commissioner Porcaro stated No, he's talking the north side. Mr. Sinord stated that now there's two signs both saying don't park at the corner to the corner and one of them is on north side and it's a bit abrasive where it's at. Retired Fire Chief Galligan stated so your question then is on the north side of Garfield Street. Honestly, I think we should go down and take a look at it. Traffic Commissioner Porcaro stated that whoever put up that sign, just put it up on the existing signpost and it's probably beyond the 20 or 25 feet. Retired Fire Chief Galligan stated that we also put no parking on the south side by the playground because you couldn't make the swing to get in with the telephone pole on the corner. Councillor Lally stated that what if we voted tonight at least temporarily to take that sign down, seeing as it's an ongoing financial hardship for the residents. It's only been up there since not even May. We voted to install it in May. We know where it was. We've got pictures, we can measure it out when we go. But why don't we just take it down now? Traffic Commissioner Porcaro stated not a bad idea. What do you guys think about that? Yeah, the only thing that that open up. Councillor Lally stated that it could go back to the same problem we had in May. Deputy Fire Chief DePasquale stated with is that going to create an issue with putting a sign up, giving out a bunch of tickets and then taking a sign down? Councillor Lally stated it could be but it was put up legally and it was taken down legally by the appropriate authority.

VOTED: TO SEND TO SUBCOMMITTEE AND TEMPORARILY TAKE DOWN THE NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER SIGN.

Upon duly motion made by Retired Fire Chief Galligan, seconded by Director Hooke, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

17 .OAK STREET (near V Mechanic and the Saab gas station)

Requested by: Johanne Rameau

Request/Issue: On this stretch of Oak Street, there is no pedestrian push-button at the crosswalk, and there is also no "No Turn on Red" sign. In addition, across Chatham West, another pedestrian push-button is needed for safe crossing.

Discussion: Deputy Fire Chief DePasquale stated that regarding #'s 17 & 18, those intersections are currently under engineering review to have signals put in. I am assuming on # 17 that is Oak Street and Campanelli Drive. We would have

to look for a no turn on red sign there. He further stated that the entire length of Oak Street is under engineering review.

VOTED: TO SEND TO SUBCOMMITTEE

Upon duly motion made by Deputy Fire Chief DePasquale, seconded by Councillor Lally, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

18. OAK STREET- (Walmart entrance / Cumberland Farms area)

Requested by: Johanne Rameau

Request/Issue: Near the Walmart entrance, along the same lane as Cumberland Farms, there is no pedestrian cross-button. This makes crossing unsafe, especially during busy hours.

Discussion: Deputy Fire Chief DePasquale stated that regarding #'s 17 & 18, those intersections are currently under engineering review to have signals put in. I am assuming on # 17 that is Oak Street and Campanelli Drive. We would have to look for a no turn on red sign there. He further stated that the entire length of Oak Street is under engineering review.

VOTED: TO SEND TO SUBCOMMITTEE

Upon duly motion made by Deputy Fire Chief DePasquale, seconded by Councillor Lally, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

19. OAK STREET- (Bridge after Cumberland Farms)

Requested by: Johanne Rameau

Request/Issue: The bridge just past Cumberland Farms gas station, near the traffic lights, is similar to the one downtown near the Brockton Police Station. It appears to have similar issues that may require inspection or safety updates.

VOTED: REFER TO MASS DOT TO REVIEW THE BRIDGE

Upon duly motion made by Deputy Fire Chief DePasquale, seconded by Councillor Lally, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

20. WESTGATE BOWLING ALLEY/FIVE GUYS AREA

Requested by: Johanne Rameau

Request/Issue: Across from Five Guys near the Westgate Bowling Alley, the roadway floods heavily when it rains. The water accumulates so much that it becomes almost like a lake, creating hazardous conditions for both pedestrians and vehicles.

VOTED: TO TAKE NO ACTION

Upon duly motion made by Councillor Lally, seconded by Director Hooke, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

21. SPLIT HEADING TOWARD THE MALL (Near Wow and Big Lots)

Requested by: Johanne Rameau

Request/Issue: on the split heading towards the mall- coming down from WOW and passing Big Lots, there is no pedestrian crosswalk or pole. A designated crosswalk with proper pedestrian signals is needed for safe passage.

VOTED: TO SEND TO SUBCOMMITTEE

Upon duly motion made by Retired Fire Chief Galligan, seconded by Councillor Lally, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

22. TALBOT AT PARTRIDGE DR., PARTRIDGE DRIVE AT EMORY ST., AND COLLEEN DRIVE AT EMORY STREET

Requested by: Theresa Shearer

Request/Issue: Stop signs are missing. They were there and they are gone now.

Discussion: Councillor Griffin was present and stated that my understanding is the majority, if not all of these signs were already there at one point, but there were several road constructions over the last several years and they were never replaced. Traffic Commissioner Porcaro stated that apparently there could have been some stop signs that are missing. They were there and they're now gone. Councillor Griffin stated that he's been here since 1989. I don't remember if every one of those signs were preexisting.

VOTED: TO SEND TO SUBCOMMITTEE

Upon duly motion made by Director Hooke, seconded by Councillor Lally, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

23. OAK HILL WAY

Requested by: Deputy Fire Chief Joseph DePasquale

Request/Issue: Would like the parking and signage situation at the end of Oak Hill Way to be evaluated as vehicles frequently block the gate to the EOMS facility preventing BFD vehicles from entering.

Discussion: Deputy Fire Chief DePasquale stated that we have had a couple of incidents over the past few years where an engine or two have had a medical or an outside fire they were heading to and they couldn't get down the street.

VOTED: TO SEND TO SUBCOMMITTEE

Upon duly motion made by Councillor Lally, seconded by Deputy Fire Chief DePasquale, the motion carried by a hand vote; 5 in the affirmative.

Motion was made by Councillor Lally, seconded by, Deputy Fire Chief DePasquale to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Yaffe

Michelle Yaffe

Secretary to the Traffic Commission

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE NEXT TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 22ND, 2026 AND ALL REQUESTS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THURSDAY, JANUARY 15TH, 2026.