



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS  
CLERK OF COMMITTEES

TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMITTEE  
Committee Meeting

Thursday - April 19, 2018, 6:30 PM  
Committee Room – 2nd Floor – City Hall

**AGENDA**

(Posted online: 4/15/18 at 10:30 PM)

1. **Approval of the April 2, 2018 Minutes**
2. **Approval of the November 30, 2017 Minutes**
3. **203945: Discuss** (Heuston) – That the City Solicitor appear before the Committee on Traffic and Parking to describe how the Traffic Commission agenda is prepared, and whether this Board can place items on that agenda.
4. **205092: Discuss** (Clingan) – That the Traffic Commission consider creating a process for residents to comment on parking changes that affect their streets.
5. **204127: Discuss** (Heuston) – That the Traffic Commission create a requirement to notify abutters of pending agenda items which may impact their streets.
6. **200994: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Traffic Commission consider amending Article 14 to provide a separate and simplified means for requesting speed bumps where needed.
7. **202787: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Traffic Commission consider amending Article 14 of the City Traffic Regulations to provide a simplified means for residents and Aldermen to request, and for the Commission to approve, the placement of speed bumps on residential streets.
8. **202103: Discuss** (Niedergang, Davis, Heuston) – That the Traffic Commission consider increasing the fine for blocking a driveway from \$30 to \$100.

9. **204874: Discuss** (Hirsch, Niedergang) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking publish de-identified parking permit data in the city’s open data portal so as to permit community analysis and discussion of issues related to the supply and demand of parking.
10. **202984: Discuss** (Rossetti) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking report the number of guest passes and resident parking stickers issued for FY15, FY16 and FY17 to date.
11. **204169: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Commissioner of Public Works re-evaluate the rush hour traffic light timing at Magoun Square, and whether the Broadway green light for Medford Street is too short, backing up traffic on Medford Street through the Square.
12. **204735: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the intersection of Broadway at Hinckley Street with a “Don’t block the box” symbol so motorists on Broadway don’t prevent cars from exiting Hinckley Street.
13. **204734: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Chief of Police conduct traffic enforcement during the afternoon rush hour at the intersection of Hinckley Street and Broadway so motorists on Broadway don't prevent cars from exiting Hinckley Street.
14. **200263: Discuss** (Niedergang, Rossetti) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider the attached suggestions from Ward 5 residents to improve traffic flow during rush hours in Magoun Square and report back to this Board.
15. **203274: Discuss** (McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider placing a raised crosswalk at the intersection of Summer and Lowell Streets.
16. **205448: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen) – That the Director of SPCD provide recommendations on making the intersection of Summer and Central Streets safer for pedestrians, bicyclists and drivers.
17. **205449: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen) – That the Director of SPCD provide traffic calming recommendations for School Street, from Highland Avenue to Summer Street.
18. **205450: Discuss** (Ewen-Campen) – That the Director of SPCD provide traffic calming recommendations for Vinal Avenue.
19. **201006: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of Engineering, the Director of Capital Projects and the Director of SPCD report to this Board by 5/12/16 on adding a crosswalk on Cedar Street at Albion Street and Lexington Avenue.
20. **204883: Discuss** (Niedergang, Davis) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking add a

second crosswalk on Summer Street at Hancock Street and on Lexington Avenue at Hancock Street.

21. **202104: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Director of Engineering report to this Board on the timeframe for re-stripping crosswalks that are erased due to repaving or construction.
22. **202105: Discuss** (Davis, Niedergang) – That the Administration develop a process for interim crosswalk painting and/or other measures to protect pedestrians when road work or other conditions prevent the immediate re-stripping of road markings.
23. **200266: Discuss** (Sullivan) – That the Commissioner of Public Works repaint the faded NO CYCLING markers on sidewalks and install NO BIKE RIDING – PLEASE WALK YOUR BIKE signs in central business districts.
24. **202099: Discuss** (Rossetti, Sullivan, Davis, Lafuente, Ballantyne, McWatters, Heuston) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking install signage at all traffic light intersections for enforcement of bicycling regulations.
25. **202110: Discuss** (Sullivan, Heuston) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking repaint the NO SIDEWALK CYCLING decals on the sidewalks in the business districts and post larger signage in both English and Spanish.
26. **204252: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Chief of Police assign officers to conduct traffic enforcement of bicyclists during the morning rush hour at the Cedar Street Community Path crossing, and include the Bicycle Advisory Committee in any discussions.
27. **204253: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of SPCD consider adding some sort of signal or barrier to cause bicyclists to slow or stop at the Community Path intersections with Cedar Street and Willow Avenue, and include the Bicycle Advisory Committee in any discussions.
28. **204254: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Chief of Police increase traffic enforcement of bicyclists in the fall and mid- to late-spring, when bicycle traffic is at its peak.
29. **200017: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 8/27/15.
30. **200088: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders submitted 9/24/15.
31. **200354: Discuss** DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted

10/22/15.

32. **202825: Discuss** Director of Traffic and Parking responding to items approved at the 1/26/17 meeting.
33. **202961: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Director responding to items approved 2/23/17.
34. **202962: Discuss** Traffic and Parking Director responding to items approved 2/14/17.
35. **203106: Discuss** Director of Traffic and Parking responding to Board Orders approved at the 3/23/17 meeting.
36. **203107: Discuss** Director of Traffic and Parking responding to Board Orders approved at the 3/9/17 meeting.
37. **203628: Discuss** Director of Traffic and Parking responding to items approved at the 04/27/17 meeting.
38. **203629: Discuss** Director of Traffic and Parking responding to items approved at the 05/11/17 meeting.
39. **204333: Discuss** Director of Traffic and Parking responding to Board Orders approved at the 7/13/17 meeting.
40. **204334: Discuss** Director of Traffic and Parking responding to Board Orders approved at the 8/24/17 meeting.
41. **199958: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking place a DEAD END sign at the intersection of Roberts and Hinckley Streets.
42. **200250: Discuss** (Niedergang, Lafuente) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a crosswalk at Central and Forster Streets.
43. **200262: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking report to this Board on whether the use of mirrors to provide improved sight lines for exiting driveways or narrow streets has been considered here.
44. **201148: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the unreadable PRIVATE WAY and TOW ZONE signs at Olive Avenue and Linden Avenue, and repair the NOT A THROUGH STREET sign at 10 Olive Avenue.

45. **200524: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking install “Slow–Children Crossing” or “Caution–Children at Play” signage to slow traffic at the intersection of Central and Forster Streets.
46. **204733: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking post a NO U-TURN sign on Porter Street at Highland Avenue.
47. **200525: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Commissioner of Public Works direct MA DOT to repair the sidewalks on the Central Street bridge near Hoyt-Sullivan Park, and report to this Board on progress.
48. **200774: Discuss** (Davis, Niedergang) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installing designated metered motorcycle/moped parking spots near Davis Square.
49. **201798: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a SLOW – CHILDREN CROSSING or CAUTION – CHILDREN AT PLAY sign on Central Street south of Forster Street, on the east side of the street. (2nd request)
50. **204336: Discuss** (Rossetti) – That the Traffic Commission discuss, at its October meeting, revising the rules for the renewal of residential parking permits and consider fee proration for periods less than a full year.
51. **204450: Discuss** Ben Morelli submitting comments re: #204336, prorating residential parking permits.
52. **202926: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking erect signs at the city borders encouraging motorists to drive safely and informing them of the 25 mph speed limit and 20 mph safety zones.
53. **203073: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking discuss with the Ward 5 Alderman, the request for four no parking spots at the intersection of Murdock and Cedar Streets.
54. **203511: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking report to the Ward 5 Alderman on the Murdock Street neighbors’ request for four no parking spots on Murdock Street at Cedar Street.
55. **203509: Discuss** (Niedergang) – That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the missing Pedestrian Impact Recovery System in the crosswalk at Morrison Avenue and Highland Road.