



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS CLERK OF COMMITTEES

TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMITTEE

The following items are currently before this committee awaiting action:

- 1. 201663: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a NO PARKING – FOR FIRE EMERGENCY VEHICLES ONLY sign at the dead end of Fairmount Avenue.
- 2. 201782: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking slow traffic on Franklin Street at the Prospect Hill Academy, including installing new crosswalks, fixing the broken SLOW driving light, installing blinking SLOW signs, and providing a crossing guard during the school year.
- 3. 201993: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking stripe street arrows for Teele Square, in all directions, and on Broadway, at the intersection of Broadway and Route 16.
- 4. 202105: Discuss** 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-striping of road markings.
- 5. 202108: Discuss** That the Administration work with the City of Cambridge to improve pedestrian safety at the intersections of Elm Street with Beech Street and Willow Avenue, including consideration of a Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon.
- 6. 202792: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a flashing cross walk sign on Broadway at the East Branch Library.
- 7. 203446: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking install additional pedestrian safety measures at the intersection of Holland Street and Cameron Avenue.
- 8. 203479: Discuss** That the Administration update the Ward 6 Alderman on plans to improve way-finding for the Community Path through Davis Square.
- 9. 204247: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Chief of Police petition the City of Cambridge to change Clarendon Avenue to a one way street, so it continues in the same direction from Somerville to Massachusetts Avenue.

10. **204369: Discuss** That the Director of Parks and Recreation and the Director of Traffic and Parking evaluate the crosswalk area from Joseph Street to Lincoln Parkway and make necessary accommodations to allow the sidewalk to be used for children walking to the Argenziano School.
11. **204672: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Traffic and Parking accelerate the timeline for the new walkway along the former Powderhouse School.
12. **204791: Discuss** That the Commissioner of Public Works and/or the Director of Traffic and Parking install a second crosswalk at the intersection of College Avenue with Kidder Avenue and Summit Street, with additional pedestrian safety measures.
13. **204890: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking install signs on the eastbound side of Broadway to restrict traffic on Victoria Street, Garrison Avenue and Farragut Avenue.
14. **205197: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking Place a NO PARKING sign between 161 and 165 Broadway, between the bus stop and the metered spot, to increase vehicle visibility.
15. **205448: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD provide recommendations on making the intersection of Summer and Central Streets safer for pedestrians, bicyclists and drivers.
16. **205795: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD improve the Teele Square traffic signal wait time by reducing the 2 to 3 cycle wait time to on demand or one cycle wait time during morning and evening rush hours.
17. **205831: Discuss** That the Director of Engineering share with this Board the feasibility of creating a pedestrian crossing on Somerville Avenue, between Belmont and Spring Streets.
18. **205919: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD promote bicycle-safe infrastructures on all future Assembly Square development.
19. **205920: Discuss** That the Commissioner of Public Works install a street light on the corner of Grand Union Boulevard and Artisan Way.
20. **206178: Discuss** That the Chief of Police enforce the state law requiring a white light on the front of a bicycle and a red reflector or light on the back when operated from a-half hour after sunset to a half-hour before sunrise.
21. **206189: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD provide recommendations to improve pedestrian safety at the dangerous intersection of Walnut Street, Summit Avenue and Boston Street.

22. **206202: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking share how it enforces the prohibition of cars and trucks parked in bus lanes and bike lanes.
23. **206267: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion discuss with this Board's Committee on Traffic and Parking, the city's policies regarding flashing street signs and their effects on residents with certain neurological conditions.
24. **206390: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Traffic and Parking report to this Board on plans to improve traffic signalization and flow at problem intersections such as Powderhouse Circle, Magoun Square, and others.
25. **206406: Discuss** That the Bicycle Advisory Committee appear before this Board's Traffic and Parking Committee to present their recent activities, priorities and outlook.
26. **206407: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD, the City Engineer, and the Commissioner of Public Works establish a written policy for deploying temporary safety and visibility materials for the period between street re-paving and re-painting.
27. **206691: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD prioritize for this Board the traffic calming projects in the City, and the process to determine those priorities.
28. **206693: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD or the Director of Traffic and Parking alter the cycle of the traffic signals at Lowell Street and Highland Avenue ASAP to allow more time for vehicles to turn onto Highland Avenue from Lowell Street, especially during the morning rush hour, to alleviate the traffic backup on Hudson Street when the Cedar Street/Highland Avenue intersection is closed for construction.
29. **206776: Discuss** That the Director of Engineering consider using colored asphalt rather than paint, for bike lanes.
30. **206942: Discuss** That the Administration work with the Ward 3 Alderman to ensure that the snow emergency parking options are sufficient in Ward 3, given recent changes to the school lot policy.
31. **207161: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking address the cut-through traffic in Ten Hills caused by online traffic apps like Waze.
32. **207279: Discuss** That the Chief of Police enforce the speed limit on Sycamore Street, between Highland Avenue and Medford Street, and inform the Ward 3 Alderman on the outcome.
33. **207281: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD work with the Ward 3 Alderman to address long-standing congestion at the intersection of Highland Avenue and Hamlet Street.

34. **207326: Discuss** That the Administration advise the Ward 6 Alderman of the notifications provided to city and private contractors about anti-idling regulations, and revise such policies to better ensure compliance.
35. **207463: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking explain the recent addition of NO PARKING signs on Glen Street and remove them if there is no practical reason for them.
36. **207486: Discuss** That the Director of Engineering and the Director of Traffic and Parking update the Ward 6 Councilor on requests for crosswalks at locations specified within.
37. **207487: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking update the Ward 6 Councilor on requests for crosswalk safety improvements at the locations specified within.
38. **207488: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD update the Ward 6 Councilor on requests for improved vehicle and pedestrian signal timing and design in and around Davis Square.
39. **207499: Recommend** That the Administration respond to the requests outlined in the attached resident petition, organized by the Pedestrian and Transit Advocacy Group, to accelerate traffic calming investments and improve coordination and oversight.
40. **207502: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD discuss the plans and process to advocate for Somerville transit priorities as part of the MBTA Better Bus Project, including advocacy for a North/South bus route and reduced fares for income-eligible riders, and against fare hikes.
41. **207659: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking install NO PARKING signs near 48 Bradley Street, to prevent parking along the short curb at the row housing complex.
42. **207723: Discuss** That the Administration discuss thoughts on negotiating with the MBTA for discounted or free fare for children and low-income adults by sharing or bearing the cost of the passes.
43. **207893: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the NO TURN ON RED sign at the intersection of Day and Elm Streets with a sign allowing RIGHT TURN ON RED AFTER STOP – YIELD TO PEDESTRIANS, or similar wording.
44. **207894: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD update the Ward 6 Councilor on the timeframe for acquiring new signal switching equipment to allow additional traffic/pedestrian cycles in Davis Square.
45. **207903: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD discuss with this Council the use of "concurrent with leading interval" pedestrian crossing timing at major

intersections that see high usage by school and pre-school children, particularly at the intersection of Beacon and Washington Streets, and consider reversion to pedestrian-exclusive crossing timing at several relevant intersections.

46. **207917: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking implement traffic calming measures on Avon Street.
47. **207918: Discuss** That the Director of Traffic and Parking urgently prioritize pedestrian safety at the intersection of Walnut Street and Highland Avenue, which was identified as one of the most unsafe intersections in the city.
48. **207996: Discuss** 8 residents submitting comments re: #207499, a proposal to accelerate traffic calming investments.
49. **207997: Discuss** 10 residents submitting comments re: #204323, a proposal for Powderhouse Blvd. safe bicycling.
50. **208008: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD implement traffic calming and pedestrian and cyclist safety measures on Broadway from Powder House Circle to Teele Square.
51. **208031: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD use the \$220,000 in traffic mitigation funds paid by Maxwell's Green in 2011 for traffic calming on Lowell Street, between Highland Avenue and Albion Street, by constructing a traffic-calming table at the Albion Street crosswalk.
52. **208041: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD and the Bicycle Committee update this Council's Traffic and Parking Committee on establishing a comprehensive city-wide bicycle plan.
53. **208045: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD update the Ward 3 City Councilor on plans for raised crosswalks on Summer Street at Belmont and/or Lowell Streets, as well as other nearby traffic calming improvements.
54. **208110: Discuss** 6 residents submitting comments re: #204323, a proposal for Powderhouse Blvd. safe bicycling.
55. **208111: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD paint the newer red markings at the corner of Pearl and James Streets to ensure ample clearance at 225 Pearl Street for vehicles turning onto Pearl Street.
56. **208227: Discuss** 3 residents submitting comments re: #204323, a proposal for Powderhouse Blvd. safe bicycling.
57. **208252: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD perform traffic volume and speed studies on Summit Avenue and Boston Street during morning and evening rush hours and report the findings to the Ward 3 City Councilor.

58. **208275: Discuss** That the Traffic Commission approve the creation of a crosswalk at 45 Beacon Street.
59. **208313: Discuss** 3 residents submitting comments re: #204323, a proposal for Powderhouse Blvd. safe bicycling.
60. **208383: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD install sturdy steel posts around the southeast corner of Nunziato Park, in light of the May 25 car crash that sent a vehicle through the fence and into the picnic tables where children often gather.
61. **208448: Discuss** 2 residents submitting comments re: #204323, a proposal for Powderhouse Blvd. safe bicycling.
62. **208475: Discuss** That the Traffic Commission consider making Mt. Pleasant Street a 2 or 4-hour parking zone during work hours to discourage motorists from parking there to take the Orange Line.
63. **208575: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Parking provide a quarterly update regarding implementation of deed-based parking permit restrictions.
64. **208684: Discuss** That the Administration report on how the City could lobby for a wider width for the proposed bridge from Everett to Draw 7 Park.
65. **208685: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD explain how decisions are made about Blue Bike rack placement, including how the public gets informed.
66. **208698: Discuss** That the Traffic Commission approve the installation of a stop light at the intersection of Grand Union Boulevard and Canal Street.
67. **208781: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Parking develop a city-wide traffic signaling policy that includes guidelines for temporary signaling during construction.
68. **208782: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD develop a city-wide signage policy to equitably inform pedestrians, cyclists and vehicle operators during construction, closing of sidewalks, etc.
69. **208813: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD regularly update the Ward 3 City Councilor on efforts to reduce speeding and congestion on Hamlet Street, including opposite-side parking, street trees, a new Stop Line on the southern end of the street, and planters at the northeast corner by Highland Avenue.
70. **208823: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD provide information about ensuring that pedestrians on the Community Path can travel safely given the sometimes high speeds and volume of bicycles or scooters.

71. **208826: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD provide an update on progress made on the 2017 Bicycle Friendly Community report card, including plans for actions steps on metrics where Somerville lags other communities.
72. **208844: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD report to this Council on actions, communications and collaboration with State agencies to improve pedestrian safety in the Mystic Avenue area by I-93, following the death of two pedestrians hit by motor vehicles there.
73. **208891: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD deploy traffic calming measures on Jacques Street.
74. **208921: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD schedule a meeting with the residents of Partridge Avenue who filed a traffic calming petition, or respond to them with a written communication.
75. **208923: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD or the Director of SomerStat develop an estimate of funding required to pay for or subsidize MBTA fares for residents of different income levels and ages.
76. **209045: Discuss** Rachel Turek submitting comments re: #204323, a proposal for Powderhouse Blvd. safe bicycling.
77. **209142: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD report to the Ward 6 Councilor on plans to improve cyclist wayfinding through Davis Square.
78. **209148: Discuss** That the Commissioner of Public Works immediately replace the HAWK signals on Beacon Street with more suitable and effective RYG pedestrian-activated signals.
79. **209189: Discuss** That the Director of Parking install the respective missing street signs at the intersection of North Street and Powderhouse Blvd.
80. **209208: Discuss** That the Commissioner of Public Works repaint the STOP HERE line on Central Street on the northern side of the intersection with Somerville Avenue.
81. **209209: Discuss** That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the damaged curb ramp mats at the intersection of Highland Avenue and Central Street.
82. **209363: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD discuss implementing a "Don't Block the Box" campaign to ease intersection congestion at locations along Broadway, including McGrath Highway.
83. **209383: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD update this Council on usage data for the Blue Bike expansion stations of 2019, and plans for expanding the system in future years.

84. **209421: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD implement traffic-calming measures for Central Street between Highland Avenue and Broadway as soon as possible, since traffic has increased dramatically with the Broadway reconfiguration, and will increase even more with the coming School Street closure.
85. **209442: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD add more bike racks to the West Somerville Neighborhood School.
86. **209477: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD consider strategies to reduce the volume and impact of package delivery vehicles, such as encouraging smaller or electric vehicles and cargo bike parking, as has been tried in Manhattan and Seattle.
87. **209482: Discuss** That the Director of Engineering construct a pedestrian crosswalk across Washington Street in front of the Public Safety Building. (2nd request)
88. **209606: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD provide this Council with an update on efforts to implement North/South public transportation services.
89. **209616: Discuss** That the Director of Engineering install a crosswalk on Somerville Avenue at Kent Street and Spring Street.
90. **209648: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD use the \$220,000 in traffic mitigation funds paid by Maxwell's Green in 2011 for a traffic-calming table on Lowell Street at the Albion Street crosswalk. (3rd request)
91. **209659: Discuss** That the Director of Parking report to this Council how the City addresses residents who do not pay automobile excise taxes because they maintain out-of-state license plates on their vehicles.
92. **209758: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD update this Council on creating a Bicycle Master Plan, and requiring that future road work adhere to this plan.
93. **209783: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD and the Chief of Police discuss what can be done to mitigate delivery trucks' use of bike lanes and cycling tracks as parking when making deliveries.
94. **209808: Discuss** That the Director of SPCD develop a plan to create parking-separated bike lanes on East Broadway.
95. **210333: Discuss** That this Council consider the joint recommendations of the Bicycle Advisory Committee and the Pedestrian & Transit Advisory Committee with respect to a transportation response to COVID-19.