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Meeting Name: Traffic Commission

Date: Wednesday, April 28, 2021

Time: 10:00 am

Location: Virtual Meeting

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In accordance with the March 12, 2020 Executive Order issued by Governor Baker modifying certain requirements of the Open Meeting Law, the Marlborough Traffic Commission will hold a virtual meeting on Wednesday, April 28, 2021.

NO IN PERSON PUBLIC ATTENDANCE WILL BE PERMITTED

The public may access the meeting by clicking the link on the meeting calendar page or by dialing 617-433-9462 and using conference ID: 234 425 293#

1) MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

- a) Review draft from 3-31-21

2) NEW BUSINESS

- a) 406 Lincoln Street - Questions regarding Lincoln St. Paving Project & Request for flashing pedestrian crossing sign
- b) Traffic concerns on Tucker Avenue
- c) Parking concerns on Gay Street
- d) Continued parking concerns on Preston Street @ Elm Street.
- e) Issues with Cotting Ave: Do Not Enter – One Way Signage

3) OLD BUSINESS

- a) Issues with the turn movement at intersection of Boston Post Road West & Ames Street
- b) Review of School Zone Regulations
- c) Review Crosswalk & Stop Signs for 2021
- d) Speed concerns on Red Spring Road & Reservoir Street
- e) Traffic concerns on Oakcrest Ave.
- f) Safety concerns at the intersection of Lincoln St. & Cashman St. at Assabet Valley Rail Trail

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**CITY OF MARLBOROUGH
OFFICE OF TRAFFIC COMMISSION
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MARLBOROUGH, MASSACHUSETTS 01752**

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Traffic Commission Minutes

The Regular Meeting of the Traffic Commission was held as a **virtual meeting** on Wednesday, March 31, 2021 at 10:00 am. Members present: Chairman - Police Chief David Giorgi, Fire Chief Kevin Breen, Commissioner of Public Works Sean Divoll and City Clerk Steve Kerrigan. Also present: City Engineer Tom DiPersio, Assistant City Engineer Tim Collins, Ashley Miller & Ryan Malcolm also from the Engineering Department, Sgt. Zac Attaway and Officer Andy Larose from the MPD Traffic Services Unit, City Council President Mike Ossing, City Councilor Katie Robey (joined the meeting at 10:30am), City Councilor Sean Navin, City Councilor Christian Dumais and local residents Aura and Bob Gauthier, Ms. Keigwin, Shelagh Malandrinos, Elizabeth Murata and Sarah Sushchyk.

Minutes taken by Karen Lambert, MPD Records Clerk.

Chief Giorgi started recording the meeting at 10:00 am and began by welcoming everyone and making introductions.

1- Minutes

The minutes of the Traffic Commission meeting of Wednesday, February 24, 2021.

MOTION was made, seconded, duly VOTED:

TO APPROVE – All in Favor - Accept and Place on File.

New Business Items taken out of order – Items concerning residents in attendance will be taken first.

2 - New Business –

2c) Speed Concerns on Red Spring Road & Reservoir Street

Councilor Navin explained that the main concern is with trying to take a left out of Red Spring Road onto Reservoir Street. He received a call from a resident regarding the speed of traffic traveling North on Bolton Street and taking a right on Reservoir. Cars are picking up speed and some are not aware that Red Spring Road is tucked in on the right when coming off Bolton Street. The request is for a "Blind Drive" type of sign to alert drivers that Red Spring Road is there.

Tim Collins advised that when turning from Bolton Street onto Reservoir Street there is no posted speed limit and it's also not considered "thickly settled" so the actual speed limit there is 40 mph. The speed limit is reduced to 30 mph after Red Spring Road. He pulled up an aerial photo for reference. He suggested relocating the sign so drivers could see it sooner and slow down. The area at the top of Red Spring Road on the corner also needs to be cleared of brush. Chief Giorgi also pointed out a sign for a school bus stop, however, Mr. Collins advised that there is no school bus stop at this location.

Mr. Collins suggested a sign with a graphic of a street with a side street coming off. This would let people know, especially if they weren't from the area, that there is a road coming up on the right. Red Spring Road is a private Road and the residents and/or person who owns the road, would have to be part of the road maintenance. Chief Giorgi asked Councilor Navin if could reach out to his constituent and advise as to the discussion and finding the proper contact for clearing the brush.

MOTION was made, seconded, duly VOTED REFER to ENGINEERING for the proper advance warning signage.

2d) Traffic Concerns on Oakcrest Ave.

Aura and Bob Gauthier were in attendance for this issue. An additional email from Roland and Kathleen Lachapelle, who were unable to attend, was also presented at the meeting. Aura Gauthier said that all the issues that they are concerned about are addressed in the email. Chief Giorgi read the email which outlined the dangers of trying to leave Oakcrest Ave. or cross the street. Mr. Lachapelle mentioned the increase in traffic over the last 46 years, the blind corner, the new parking lot across the street, cars speeding on Stevens Street and the fact that there is no sidewalk on Stevens Street when heading north. To take advantage of the trails or to take a walk you need to go South on Stevens, down to the crosswalk at the Jr. High, and turn around to head back North and then do the same thing when you want to return to Oakcrest.

Mrs. Gauthier also said that the parking lot across the street is reserved for handicapped parking, however, she has yet to see a car coming into the new lot with a handicapped placard. She also said that it is impossible to cross here. Chief Giorgi said that due to the blind corner it would be too dangerous to have a crosswalk at this location. The Chief said that Engineering could talk in more detail about the conditions necessary for a crosswalk.

There was also discussion about new lots going in at this location and that even the sidewalk they do have may become unavailable. If there was a sidewalk to the North on Stevens Street, they would have the option to go right to the high school entrance to cross. The residents would like to see a crosswalk with a push button and lights on either

side of Oakcrest. People would then see in either direction that there was a traffic signal there. Ms. Keigwin was also in attendance. Her main concern is that there are also kids crossing here to go to the new elementary school. She doesn't have young children herself nor does she know the answer but it's very dangerous.

Chief Giorgi talked about the site distance problem. It's not about the people crossing being able to see cars coming. It's the cars that are coming up over the hill that don't have the site distance to see the crosswalk and slow down. It was asked if a crosswalk could be placed further down Stevens Street, closer to the other crosswalk.

Tom DiPersio, City Engineer, said that we hear the concern and agree, however, need to be very careful with the placement and site distance concerns. Shelagh Malandrinos, a parent of school age children crossing here, was also in attendance. She said that she was here to represent parents. Mr. DiPersio said that Engineering would look into this issue further for the next meeting. Councilor Nevin asked if this is the time to talk about sidewalks with new lots going in.

Tim Collins said that sidewalks with curb cuts etc. are things that would need to be discussed with the Site Plan Committee. The new lots actually don't have anything to do with the crosswalk.

Officer Larose said that he would put the speed signs up out here before the next meeting. He explained how the signs also gather data regarding volume and speed so that we can see what is happening. Ms. Gauthier said that anything we can do would be an improvement.

MOTION was made, seconded, duly VOTED to REFER to ENGINEERING to review and provide feedback at the next meeting.

2e) Safety Concerns at the intersection of Lincoln St. & Cashman St. at Assabet Valley Rail Trail

Chief Giorgi advised that he received two emails about the dangers of this intersection and how there are no clear signs for the crossing. Also, local resident, Elizabeth Murata was in attendance. Chief Giorgi read the two emails. One was from a woman who crosses here regularly with her dog and infant in a stroller. Even though she is exceptionally careful, drivers heading westbound have come up extremely fast and barely slow down to allow her to cross. She said, "In my opinion this intersection is a pedestrian accident waiting to happen, the crosswalk is barely visible and there are no lights to indicate a crossing". She would like to see a pedestrian crossing similar to what is on Ash Street. She included photos with her email. Both emails addressed the same basic concerns. Chief Giorgi advised that he checked this area himself yesterday and agrees that the crosswalks are very worn out.

Mr. Collins said that this intersection is part of a reconstruction project for this year. They are planning on having a flashing beacon similar to what is at Liberty Street and Granger Blvd. Repaving and repainting will also be done this year. It should be a summer project. The end result seems to be what the residents are looking for at this intersection.

Ms. Murata said that she uses the Rail Trail quite a bit and said she has seen the woman with the stroller and the dog. She completely agrees that it is just a matter of time before someone is hit. She also noted that the most available parking is also on the opposite side.

Chief Giorgi asked if Engineering could at least have the DPW paint the actual crosswalk for now. Mr. Collins said that he would check with the Street Division and have them check the lines and repaint the crosswalk and replace any signs that may be missing. All of this would help. Mr. DiPersio advised that the main point of this project is to make this crossing better and continue with easier access all the way into downtown.

Local resident, Sarah Sushchuk, logged into the meeting at this time. She is the one who sent the email and crosses here with her dog and stroller. It was reviewed with her that in the short term, the DPW would repaint the crosswalk and replace any missing signage. In the long term, the whole intersection will be updated with a flashing crossing beacon similar to the one on Granger Blvd.

Chief Giorgi said that this is a tough intersection even for drivers. Some are coming into the intersection on an angle. All agreed that flashing lights at this crosswalk will be a huge help. Officer Larose pulled up a speed summary for Lincoln St. @ Prospect St. (WB) from the end of last year. The speed wasn't that bad at the time. The average speed was 27 mph. The 85th percentile was 32 mph or less and the average volume per day was 4,173 vehicles. The blue on the pie chart shows that vehicles do slow down for the speed sign. It seems to be more of a site distance issue and intersection construction issue.

Mr. DiPersio advised that the job would go out to bid later in the spring with a proposed start date later in the summer. They will have a better idea on the timeframe when the actual contractor is onboard. Chief Giorgi asked the residents to please reach out to him again if there are any other problems or concerns.

MOTION was made, seconded, duly VOTED to REFER to ENGINEERING to have the crosswalk painted and missing signage replaced.

2a) Review of School Zone Regulations

Tim Collins asked to add this item to the agenda. He pulled up a copy of the School Zone Regulations for reference. The IC School is closed but the School Zone is still showing in the regulations. This made him look into this further. Do we really need this? School Zones are controlled by the State. The School Zone signs at the IC School should be taken down and the school zone crosswalk should be changed to a regular crosswalk and added to the Schedule of Crosswalks for the City.

He also noticed that on the section about Jaworek School, the regulations don't match up to what actually happens. Instead of specific times, it makes more sense if speeds were reduced one hour before and one hour after school is in session. In reviewing the City Regulations for School Zones and Crosswalks, he found a lot of confusion and error and he would like to clean it up. In addition to revising the regulation, the actual signage needs to match. See the attached document regarding School Zone Regulations on which he indicated the specific changes necessary at each school. He also noted that we would

need to reach out to AMSA to see what they really need at this location. There are no students crossing here anymore and they really don't need a School Zone.

Mr. Collins advised that he would write up all these changes and create our own regulations for School Zones. Chief Giorgi agreed that making the language universal in the regulations is a good proposal. Then signage can be changed if scenarios change but the regulations will be uniform and enforceable. All agreed this was a good idea.

MOTION was made, seconded, duly VOTED to REFER to REFER to ENGINEERING to work through the details and prepare the language for the new regulation.

2b) Review Crosswalk & Stop Sign for 2021

Tim Collins also asked to add this item to the agenda.

Stop Signs:

Mr. Collins pulled up an aerial photo of the Glen Street area with stop sign locations indicated. In reviewing the area relative to the reconstruction work that will going on here they found that the existing stop signs and regulations don't match. For example, there are seven stop signs here, 3 are not regulated but the signs are there. Others, such as the one at Flynn and Sandini, should be reconsidered due to changes in roadway usage and traffic. This stop sign would more than likely not be approved if it was requested now. The same reason why there is not a sign at Tucker and Sandini or Hurley and Sandini. Also, the regulation shows a stop sign at Ripley and Conrad but there is no stop sign at this location and it is not needed. This stop sign should be deregulated. This should all be cleaned up as part of this reconstruction project. If a stop sign is removed that is regulated, normally what they do is take the sign down but leave the pole up. If there is a lot of negative feedback, they can always put the sign back up. The regulation will then also be removed in month when they take the pole down if there are no complaints. Mr. Collins also noted that Ripley at Conrad has a regulation but no actual stop sign. That regulation will be removed.

Councilor Dumais asked what it means when a stop sign is not regulated. Mr. Collins explained that technically if you went through a stop sign that wasn't regulated you could not be ticketed. If the stop sign is not officially regulated, it can't be enforced. Councilor Dumais wanted to clearly understand as this is a very sensitive area with a lot going on. He wants to be able to explain to constituents why a sign may be coming down or if people have questions. He asked if he could have a copy of the graphic. Mr. Collins advised that it would be forwarded to Karen Lambert to be added to the minutes as a handout at the meeting.

Crosswalks:

Tim Collins pulled up aerial photos of existing crosswalks in the same neighborhood. He found that there are existing painted crosswalks that are not regulated (see his schedule attached). There are also several proposed crosswalks that are part of the reconstruction project (also on attached schedule). He also found others that are poorly located and will be moved closer to the intersection or made to go from sidewalk to sidewalk rather than a driveway opening. Mr. Collins walked through each photo and outlined the specific

changes that would be taking place. (See the attached photos and explanations for clarification.)

Mr. Collins also pulled up the proposed wording for the new crosswalk regulations with the changes marked in red. He will forward this language to Chief Giorgi along with the language for the stop signs. Chief Giorgi will create the revised regulations for the next meeting, based on Mr. Collins' recommendations. All agreed.

MOTION was made, seconded, duly VOTED to REFER to ENGINEERING to finalize the wording for the regulations and forward it to Chief Giorgi.

3-Old Business

3a) Crosswalk Issue at the EEC

Update on Crosswalks: Chief Giorgi prepared the regulation for the two missing crosswalks on Bolton Street and the regulation to add the "southerly driveway entrance" to the Schedule "Do Not Enter Streets" at the Bolton Street Municipal Lot, based on the language provided by Tim Collins.

Mr. Collins advised that when he was reviewing the regulations for Washington Street, he found another crosswalk that was missing from the regulations. The crosswalk at Bolton and Washington Street. He sent the wording to the Chief and it was added to the amended regulation.

MOTION was made, seconded, duly VOTED to APPROVE the two amended regulations. Karen Lambert will forward the approved regulation to Steve Kerrigan for advertisement.

Update of Municipal Lots:

Chief Giorgi asked if Tim Collins could explain the language for Municipal Lots. Mr. Collins pulled up wording listing all the lots and the times that they do not allow parking. The new lot on Bolton Street will be added under the section for No Parking from 2 am to 5 am. Chief Giorgi advised that he made the regulation but did not have the time frame language.

The charging station for electrical vehicles also needed to be added to the regulations. Assistant Commissioner Ted Scott is overseeing this part. They are trying to determine the best way to handle the charging station spots. It appears that time limits will be added. Counselor Robey said that when the lot on Bolton Street was brought to Planning, the charging stations were not supposed to be limited. They were supposed to be open spots for first come first serve. If not, the electric vehicle spots would sit empty when they are needed for parking. She said she does not object to the parking restriction from 2 am to 5 am. She has no issues with this as she understands the need to plow. This will need to be reviewed further with Mr. Scott.

Chief Giorgi had prepared the regulation for the Municipal Lots, however, he can revise it and take off the last section regarding the Charging Stations. Commissioner Divoll

suggested that maybe we wait until this issue is resolved and vote on the entire regulation at the same time. Chief Giorgi said that if we wait, his officers can't enforce the overnight parking restriction. Commissioner Divoll asked if this is really an issue now that the overnight parking ban is over. Sgt. Attaway said that he has only seen 1 truck that parks here overnight. Since the winter parking ban is the main issue behind the overnight parking restriction it was decided that it makes sense to table the whole issue for now so that all issues concerning the municipal lots can be regulated at the same time.

MOTION was made, seconded, duly VOTED to TABLE until the Charging Station issues in the Municipal Lots are resolved.

3b) Issues with the turn movement at intersection of Boston Post Road West & Ames Street

Update: Tim Collins advised that he is still waiting to hear back from MA DOT.

MOTION was made, seconded, duly VOTED to TABLE for the next meeting.

Chief Giorgi asked if anyone else had anything else they would like to add. No other comments.

That there being no further business of the Traffic Commission held on this date, the meeting adjourned at 11:20 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen L. Lambert
Records Clerk
Marlborough Police Department

List of documents and other exhibits used at the meeting:

- City of Marlborough Meeting Posting for Traffic Commission Meeting on Wednesday 3/31/21, including meeting agenda.
- Draft of Traffic Commission Minutes from Wednesday, February 24, 2021.
- Email from Chief Giorgi to Karen Lambert, dated 3/25/21, re: two new agenda items from Tim Collins – School Zone Regulations & Crosswalks & Stop Signs for 2021 (including excel spreadsheet).
- Email from Councilor Navin to Chief Giorgi, dated 3/2/21, re: Red Spring/Reservoir.
- Email to Aura Gauthier to Chief Giorgi, dated 3/16/21, re: Oakcrest Ave. Crosswalk.
- Email from Neeraj Bhatia to Chief Giorgi, dated 3/20/21, re: No pedestrian crossing or trail crossing signs.
- Email from Sarah Sushchik Thomas, dated 3/22/21, re: Lincoln St. – Cashman St. (including photos).

-Copy of the amended regulation to ADD two existing crosswalks on Bolton Street to the Schedule of "Crosswalk Locations".

-Copy of amended regulation to ADD the "southerly driveway entrance" of the Bolton Street Municipal Lot to the Schedule of "Do Not Enter Streets".

-Copy of amended regulation to DELETE Article V – "Parking Meters" and ADD, in place thereof a new Article V entitled "Municipal Parking Areas", including new Section 586-28 Municipal Parking Areas.

Additional Handouts

-Extended Speed Summary for Lincoln St. @ Prospect St. (10/31/20 to 11/5/20).

-Copy of an email from Roland & Kathleen Lachapelle, dated 3/26/21, re: March 3/31/21 meeting Oakcrest Ave. Crosswalk

Karen Lambert

From: Devin Desautels
Sent: Tuesday, April 20, 2021 3:39 PM
To: David Giorgi
Subject: Traffic commission questions

Hi David,

I hope you are well. I am reaching out on behalf of the Renaissance Lofts Board of Trustees. 406 Lincoln St in Marlborough.

They would like to know when the Lincoln St paving project will be starting? Will this affect any of the current crosswalks between the associations parking lots and the building?

They would also like to know if a flashing pedestrian crossing sign could be installed in front of the Coffee Shop.

Could you please bring these questions to attention at the next meeting?

Thanks

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Devin Desautels

Property Manager
Northborough Property Management
27 South Street, Unit 1
Northborough, MA 01532

Karen Lambert

From: Samantha Perlman
Sent: Sunday, April 11, 2021 8:42 AM
To: David Giorgi
Subject: Fw: STREET SAFETY FOR MARLBORO'S CHILDREN

Hi Chief Giorgi,

I hope you are having a great weekend. I am forwarding along a constituent concern I received from a resident, Carl Hansen, regarding the speeding on Tucker Avenue. It appears that many vehicles use Tucker Avenue as a cut through and there is a lot of speeding in an area with young families. I am requesting that this be an item for the Traffic Commission and that we can find a solution to this issue in a residential neighborhood. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Councilor Perlman

Samantha Perlman
City Councilor At-Large
City of Marlborough
sperlman@marlborough-ma.gov
508-263-0042

From: Carl Hansen
Sent: Saturday, April 10, 2021 1:34 PM
To: Samantha Perlman <atlarge_1@marlborough-ma.gov>
Subject: STREET SAFETY FOR MARLBORO'S CHILDREN

ATTN: Ms. Samantha Perlman At Large Councilor

For over 48-years residing as a Senior and State Retiree at 20 Tucker Avenue, Marlboro, living next to a DayCare Home (Garrity's at 30 Tucker Avenue) on one side of me, and the Matt Elder family with 4-children at 12 Tucker Avenue on the other side of me. The children ages at the Garrity's are toddlers, and at the Elder's 5 to 9 years. Recently, at the Elders 6 to 8 children play Street Hockey with other children living nearby.

Yellow School Buses and other vehicles seem to like Tucker Avenue to exit the development. Maybe to avoid Sandini and Ripley connection. Numerous times I've complained about the School Buses whipping down Tucker from Sandini. Just yesterday I observed a School Bus traveling fast from Forest Street down Sandini at a good clip. Last year I stopped a Bus and complained to the driver about her speeding and children on this street. I believe the complaint didn't go far. Fact is you never know when the children will come out of nowhere onto the street. Bus drivers should know you can't stop a bus on a dime. I know this because I'd drove a bus during my Military Tour during Desert Shield. For two years now, I still get tested by the School Bus drivers. I can hear them start up fast descending down Tucker and slow up when they see me.

I would like to see action taken to provide awareness to the driving public our children are in danger for careless and the-don't-care-drivers, accessing our housing development. I don't believe waiting for a child to get hurt before any action is taken. Believing the speed limit on Tucker is 25mph, I would leave this matter to the qualified government

officials for their out-of-the-box solution for a visual to slow down vehicles. Unfortunately people don't read signs, or they have tunnel vision and don't even see the signs.

Chief of Police David Giorgi may be our best solution for any unorthodox ideas for a visual, along with Ms. Perlman. Thanking the Committee in advance for a solution!

carlHANSEN
20 Tucker Avenue
Marlboro, MA. 01752

Karen Lambert

From: Andrew Larose
Sent: Wednesday, April 7, 2021 10:51 AM
To: Karen Lambert; David Giorgi; Zachary Attaway; Timothy Collins; Steven Kerrigan; Sean Divoll; Kevin Breen
Subject: Gay Street
Attachments: IMG_2532.jpg; IMG_2531.jpg

Good morning,

I received a parking complaint from Gay Street this morning. Apparently, a school bus could not make it between the parked vehicles and the reporting party had to move her vehicle to let the bus through.

She stated, years ago, the north side of the road was posted no parking, but the signs have since been removed. I checked the regulations and it shows only the first 150' from Mechanic Street on the north side is restricted.

I contacted the FD to have a fire truck come and see if they would have difficulty. They arrived in Engine 6, an older spare truck, which is narrower than their newer vehicles. The Engine just made it between, had either vehicle been parked up to 12" from the curb as legally allowed, this truck would have never made it.

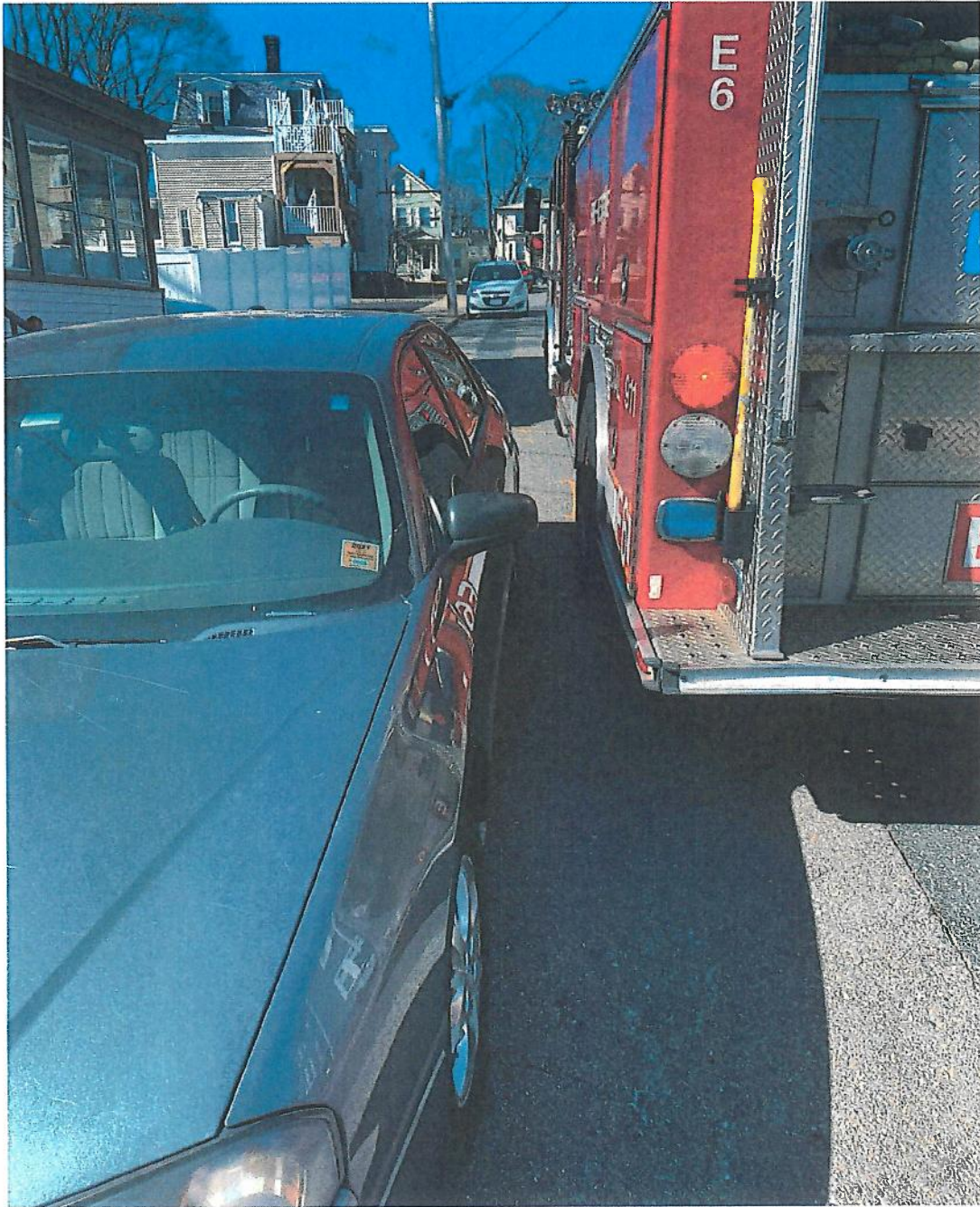
For public safety, I am requesting this be placed on the April Traffic Commision meeting to extend the northbound no parking regulation all the way to Winthrop Street. I completed police report 21-1428-OF to place the incident on file.

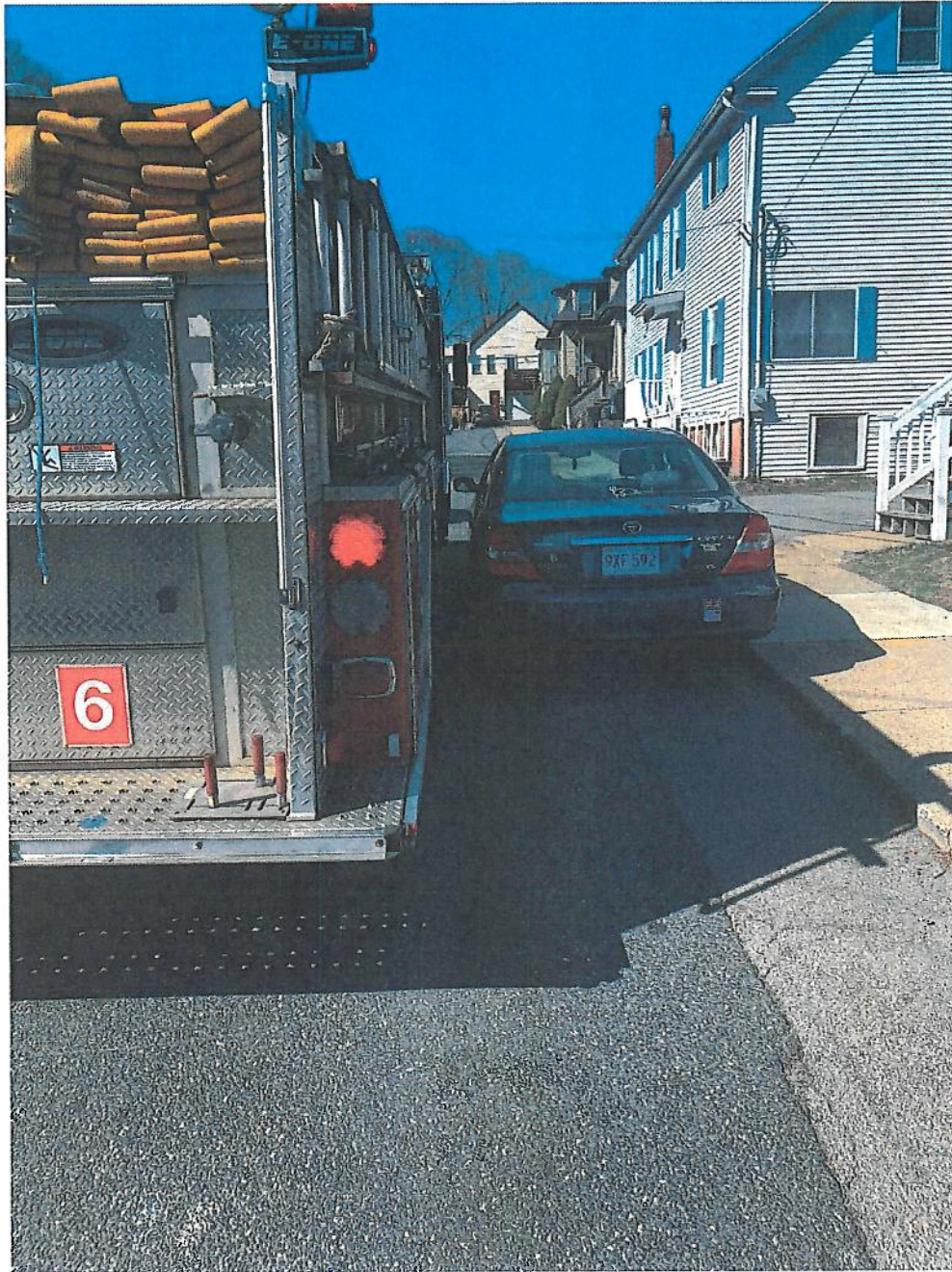
Respectfully,
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Karen Lambert

From: Timothy Collins
Sent: Wednesday, April 7, 2021 11:45 AM
To: Andrew Larose; Karen Lambert; David Giorgi; Zachary Attaway; Steven Kerrigan; Sean Divoll; Kevin Breen
Cc: Thomas DiPersio
Subject: RE: Gay Street

From Marlborough E-Code:

§ 586-22 General prohibitions.

A. No person shall stand or park any vehicle in any of the following places except when necessary to avoid complication with other traffic or in compliance with the direction of a police officer or traffic sign or signal:

(1) Within an intersection except on those areas authorized for parking meters.

(2) Upon a sidewalk.

(3) Upon a crosswalk.

(4) Upon any street or highway within 20 feet of an intersecting way, except alleys.

(5) Upon a roadway where the parking is permitted, unless both wheels on the right side of the vehicle are within 12 inches of the curb or edge of the roadway, except where angle parking is permitted or upon those streets which are designated one-way streets.

(6) Upon any roadway where the parking of a vehicle will not leave a clear and unobstructed lane 10 feet wide in each direction.

- **20 feet wide (both directions) + 6.5 ft. (average width of vehicle) = 26.5 feet required pavement width of a roadway for parking on one side of the street, and a 33 foot pavement width for parking on both sides of the street.**
- **The average width of pavement within the center area (core) of Marlborough less than 26 feet and only a handful have pavement widths wide enough for parking on both sides of the street (Washington Street, Lincoln Street, South Street).**
- **The 150 feet west of Mechanic Street, North side was to prohibit parking in front of the parking lot along the north side of Gay Street, which would have been covered under (9) – see below.**

(7) The space in front of or within 15 feet of either wall of a fire station on both sides of the street, same to be designated by official signs.

(8) Within 10 feet of a fire hydrant.

(9) In front of a private driveway or roadway.

(10) On the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street in such manner as to constitute double-line or multiple-line parking.

(11) Upon any street or roadway where the parking of a vehicle will obstruct or hide from view any traffic control signal, provided that signs are erected notifying of such regulation or restriction.

This is a common problem throughout the core of Marlborough where properties were developed before cars were a necessity and parking was a considered after the properties were developed. The solution will not be as simple as instituting No Parking regulations on one side of the street, on a street-by-street basis.

Karen Lambert

From: Zachary Attaway
Sent: Monday, April 12, 2021 1:43 PM
To: Karen Lambert
Subject: April Traffic Commission

Hi Karen,

For the upcoming meeting I would like to discuss the following:

1. Preston St @ Elm: This will show up in old business from several months ago. The parking problem continues, and I would like to discuss no parking signs.
2. Cotting Ave: Do Not Enter - One Way signage. Constant violations as vehicles pull into gas station. I would like to replace signs and discuss better location for them.

Thank you!