The monthly meeting of the Malden Traffic Commission was held on Tuesday, June 18, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria of the Malden Senior Center, 7 Washington Street, Malden, MA.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Chief Kevin Molis, Chairman
Mr. Charles Ioven, Planning
Mr. Yem Lip, Engineering
Mr. Ron Hogan, Parking
Kathleen Hannan, Clerk

PRESENT AND HAVING BUSINESS BEFORE THE COMMISSION:

Stephen Winslow, Counc-at-large
Craig Spadafora, Counc-at-large
Debbie DeMaria, Counc-at-large
Peg Crowe, Counc. Ward 1
John Matheson, Counc. Ward 3
Ryan O’Malley, Counc. Ward 4
Barbara Murphy, Counc. Ward 5
David Camell, Counc. Ward 6
Capt. Glenn Cronin, Police
Lt. Evan Tuxbury, Traffic
Mr. Ernie Ardolino, Parking
Janice Rice 103 Henry St
Cathy LeBlanc 69 Seaview Av
Christopher Burchard, Jefferson Apartment Group

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Accept minutes of the May, 2019 meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Ron Hogan, seconded by Mr. Yem Lip and unanimously voice voted to accept the minutes of the May, 2019 meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

HANDICAPPED PARKING:

Natercia Costa 85 Oliver Street
(Tabled May, 2019 meeting)

After discussing this request and based on the information from Lt. Tuxbury that he is still trying to reach the landlord for additional information, a motion was made by Mr. Ron Hogan, seconded by Mr. Charles Ioven and unanimously voice voted to table this request until the September, 2019 meeting.
Glenwood Street  Ruthie Poole
Speed Radar Sign

Requests the Traffic Commission approve the installation of a speed radar sign and implement other speed calming measures on Glenwood Street.

(Tabled May, 2019 meeting)

After discussing this request and hearing passionate statements from the residents in attendance and Counc. Matheson, a motion was made by Mr. Charles Ioven, seconded by Mr. Ron Hogan and unanimously voice voted to approve the installation of (2) speed regulatory devices to be located on Glenwood Street between Bartlett St and Earl St, one on the eastbound side and one on the westbound side. It was also voted to explore avenues to enhance the safety of the crosswalk located in this area.

Valley Street  George Brown
Odd Side Parking  86 Valley Street

Requests the Traffic Commission change the current parking restrictions back to what it was, allowing odd side parking.

(Tabled May, 2019 meeting)

After discussing this request and based on the recommendation of Lt. Tuxbury, a motion was made by Mr. Charles Ioven, seconded by Mr. Ron Hogan and unanimously voice voted to table this request until the September, 2019 meeting for further study.
Pleasant, Exchange, Abbott St. Ron Hogan, Parking
Approve Regulations

Requests the Traffic Commission approve updates to the regulations to support the on street parking changes depicted on the site plan for the development at the site of the old City Hall and Police Station and contained on Pleasant, Exchange and Abbott Streets.

(Tabled May, 2019 meeting)

After discussing this request and based on the information presented by Mr. Ron Hogan, a motion was made by Mr. Charles Ioven, seconded by Mr. Yem Lip and unanimously voice voted to approve the plans as presented with one amendment involving the number of “Zip Car” parking spaces, lowering them from 2 spots to 1 spot. The amendment to the plan will be supplied by Mr. Ron Hogan.

NEW BUSINESS:

HANDICAPPED PARKING:

Department of Education Building Ramona Foster

Requests the Traffic Commission approve designating one parking space in front of the Department of Education as “Handicapped Parking” only.

After discussing this request and based on the fact that there are (4) “Handicapped Parking” spots on Pleasant Street alone in this area, a motion was made by Mr. Ron Hogan, seconded by Mr. Charles Ioven and unanimously voice voted to deny this request.
Crossings  Stephen Winslow, Coun-at-lrge
Northern Strand Trail

Requests the Traffic Commission improve the safety of crossings of the Northern Strand Trail.

After discussing this request and based on the presentation made by Counc. Winslow, and hearing input from residents both for and against the recommendations, a motion was made by Mr. Ron Hogan, seconded by Mr. Charles Ioven and unanimously voice voted to approve all of the enhancements to the intersections except the intersection on Broadway near Eastern Ave.

A motion was made to table the approval of the enhancements to the intersection of Broadway near Eastern Ave so that the pilot program can be extended to create measures which will display more accurate conditions and to review at the September, 2019 meeting.

Florence St @ Washington St  Ryan O’Malley, Counc. Ward 4
Timing of Lights

Requests the Traffic Commission review the intersection of Florence St and Washington St so that the cars going north on Washington St and south on Washington St both have a green light at the same time.

After discussing this request, a motion was made by Mr. Ron Hogan, seconded by Mr. Charles Ioven and unanimously voice voted to table this request until the September, 2019 meeting so the City Engineer can check the area and see if this is an equipment malfunction or if adjustments need to be made.

Ingleside Av @ Fairview Av  Barbara Murphy, Counc. Ward 5
Stop Sign

Requests the Traffic Commission approve the installation of a “Stop Sign” on Ingleside Ave at the intersection of Fairview Ave.
After discussing this request and hearing input from Counc. Murphy and residents of the area, a motion was made by Mr. Ron Hogan, seconded by Mr. Charles Ioven and unanimously voice voted to approve the installation of a “Stop Sign” on Ingleside Ave at the intersection of Fairview Ave.

965 Main St to Pine Banks  Barbara Murphy, Counc. Ward 5
Resident Parking

Requests the Traffic Commission approve adding resident permit parking on the odd side of Main Street wherever possible between 965 Main Street and the entrance to Pine Banks Park.

After discussing this request, a motion was made by Mr. Ron Hogan, seconded by Mr. Charles Ioven and unanimously voice voted to table this request for further study until the September, 2019 meeting.

Glenwood St @ Summer St  Federico Erebia
Stop Sign  107 Glenwood St

Requests the Traffic Commission approve the installation of a “Stop Sign” on Glenwood Street @ Summer Street and “Stop Ahead” signs notifying motorists of the “Stop Sign”.

After discussing this request and hearing from several residents in the area about their concerns in regards to pedestrian safety, a motion was made by Mr. Charles Ioven, seconded by Mr. Ron Hogan and unanimously voice voted to table this request until further notice so the Traffic Commission can determine if the “Speed Radar” signs assist in making this intersection safer.
MBTA Sign Installation  
Yem Lip, Engineering

Requests the Traffic Commission approve the proposal as submitted to reinstall 14 bus stop signs.

After discussing this request and based on the recommendation from Mr. Yem Lip, a motion was made by Mr. Charles Ioven, seconded by Mr. Ron Hogan and unanimously voice voted to approve Bus Stops 5477, 5376, 5468, 9060, 5962 and to table the remaining nine until the September, 2019 meeting.

TABLED INDEFINITELY:

Crosswalk  
Yem Lip, Engineering
Medford Street  
Highland Av - Fellsway

Requests the Traffic Commission approve the installation of crosswalks on Medford Street between Highland Ave and Fellsway.

(Tabled June, September, October and November, 2018 and January, February, March and April, 2019 meetings for input from Yem Lip)

Eastern Av (Bryant-Willow)  
Ron Hogan, Parking
No Parking Signs

Requests the Traffic Commission clarify the parking regulations on Eastern Avenue from the MV Field House to Jack’s Ristorante.

(Tabled September, October, November and December, 2018 and January, February, March and April, 2019 meetings)
Jacob St between David Camell, Counc. Ward 6
Granite and Dodge/Stanton

Requests the Traffic Commission make Jacob Street “One Way”, Monday-Friday between the hours of 3:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. on school days.

(Tabled March, April and May, 2019 meetings)

A motion was made by Mr. Ron Hogan, seconded by Mr. Charles Ioven and unanimously voice voted to adjourn this meeting at 7:05 p.m.