

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of July 10, 2019 meeting
7pm at the Public Services Administration Building
Needham, MA

IN ATTENDANCE

TMAC Members: Stephen DeLisi, Anthony DelGaizo, , Rhain Hoyland, Suzanne Stein, Justin McCullen, Seth Bauer, Donna Mullin. Technical advisor: Bob Wilson

Guests: Phyllis Mays

CALL TO ORDER

I. Intersection, Crosswalk at West Street and Hillside Avenue – P. Mays

Phyllis Mays described difficulty crossing West Street at the intersection with Hillside, on the railroad side of the intersection. She noted that the Senior Center, for example, is difficult to access from that intersection. She requested a crosswalk at that location. Concerns were expressed by TMAC about the ability of drivers to see a crosswalk, especially drivers coming up the hill on West toward the intersection with Hillside. It was also noted that there is a crosswalk at Highland. A Motion was made and unanimously passed to do both a speed study at that intersection, as well as a measurement of the sight distance for cars traveling on West toward Highland, to help determine the safety of a potential crosswalk.

II. Signage on Andrea Circle – D. Raberov

This item was addressed by the Town Engineer's office prior to the meeting, so was withdrawn from tonight's agenda.

III. Approve minutes from June 12, 2019 meeting

Minutes approved.

IV. Other Business/Status Report

It was reported that the Town Manager's office has assigned a Recording Secretary for TMAC. Daphne Collins, who is the Zoning Administrative Specialist, will be taking the TMAC minutes going forward.

Several status updates were highlighted by Mr. Wilson and discussed by the Committee. These include:

- Marked Tree Road: percentage of truck traffic slightly elevated; exploration of potential alternate routes, if any, will be discussed with petitioner(s)

- South and Webster: average speed of vehicles exceeds 30; redesign of intersection is pending

- Central at RTS: sight distance appears adequate for exiting onto Central although speed of vehicles coming from Country way is elevated; additional study ongoing.

-Forest Street near Brookside: speeds elevated in both directions; Needham Police will be notified of findings

-Richdale and Lexington: warrant requirements for installation of Stop sign not met

-Great Plain Ave. near Prospect: speeds are elevated; Needham Police will be notified of findings.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm

Notes taken by Stephen DeLisi