

**MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 2015**  
**REVISED**

In Attendance: Ernie Orgera  
Frank Fedeli  
Captain Sue Bretthauer  
Captain Brian McElligott  
Captain Beth Erickson  
Sgt. Wayne Scutari  
Dan Colleluori  
Mani Poola  
Veera Karukonda  
Doug Hoyt  
Thomas Turk  
Charles Spaulding

Guests: Frances Frustoglio – Parking on Liberty Place  
Massimina Docimo – Parking on Liberty Place  
Robert Bagomolny – Bike 4 Chai  
Robert Roth – Braking AIDS Ride &  
Wall Street Rides for Autism  
Rick Chambers – Atlantic Station Phase I Project  
Matt MacDonald – Run for Waterside 5K  
Christina Kapoor – Speed Bumps for Pershing Avenue  
Jessica LeMoine – Speed Bumps for Pershing Avenue  
William Hess – Speed Bumps for Pershing Avenue

Meeting was called to order at 10:33 a.m. by Ernie Orgera, Chair.

**Representative Gloria DePina – Multiway Stop Control at Fairfield Avenue at Stillwater Road.**

➤ Representative DePina did not attend the meeting.

- Mani Poola stated that he looked into this a couple of years ago, but at the time it did not warrant a signal or a Multiway Stop Sign.

**Matt MacDonald – Waterside School – Run for Waterside 5K – Saturday, October 3, 2015 – 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. – 500 Adults and 250 Children.**

- Same route as past three years.
- Six Officers were used last year.
- The run will be over at around 10:00 a.m., they allow an extra hour for clean-up.

Motion was made by Captain Brian McElligott, seconded by Frank Fedeli and passed unanimously to approve Waterside School, Run for Waterside 5K event on Saturday, October 3, 2015.

**Robert Roth – Braking AIDS Ride – Bike-Athon – Travel thru Stamford – Sunday, September 27, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. – 125 Participants.**

- Boston to New York 3 day Bike Ride. The Bike Ride originates from Bridgeport on September 27<sup>th</sup>; it is the third day of the Bike Ride and ends in Manhattan.
- There are 125 riders.
- Same route as the past 12 years:
  - Left onto Weed Avenue at light
  - Right onto Cove Road at Stop Sign
  - Bear right onto Elm Street at light crossing Shippan Avenue
  - Left onto Myrtle Avenue/Jefferson Street at light
  - Cross Canal Street onto Dock Street at light
  - Left onto Pacific Street at light
  - Right onto Henry Street at light
  - Cross Atlantic Street at light
  - Left onto Washington Boulevard at Stop Sign
  - Immediate right onto Pulaski Street at light
  - Forward onto Greenwich Avenue at blinker
  - Right onto Selleck Street at light – begin climb
- No need for Police patrol, Sgt. Scutari will notify District Sergeant.

Motion was made by Mani Poola, seconded by Captain Sue Bretthauer and passed unanimously to approve Braking AIDS Ride – Bike-Athon, travel thru Stamford on Sunday, September 27, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

**Robert Roth – Autism Science Foundation – Wall Street Rides For Autism Research – Travel thru Stamford – Saturday, October 10, 2015 – 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. – 150 Adults.**

- Event originates in Manhattanville College in Purchase, NY, it goes all the way up to Bedford, comes back down thru Stamford, thru Greenwich and back into Harrison, NY.
- Request that riders be allowed to cut thru the top corner of Stamford as they come from North Castle into Connecticut onto Taconic Road, then into Stamwich Road and then into Greenwich.

Motion was made by Captain Sue Bretthauer, seconded by Thomas Turk and passed unanimously to approve Autism Science Foundation – Wall Street Rides for Autism Research travel thru Stamford on Saturday, October 10, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

**Ed Gentile – Removal of Recently Installed “No Parking” Sign at 109 Sun Dance Road and 10 Sun Dance Circle.**

- Item taken off the Agenda, Doug Hoyt took care of the issue.

**Cristina Kapoor – Request for Speed Bumps for Pershing Avenue.**

- Ms. Kappor is requesting speed bumps for Pershing Avenue due to high volume of traffic, a lot of speeding going on.
- There are no sidewalks which makes it more dangerous for the children in the neighborhood who walk to the Bus Stop.
- There is a hill where you cannot see in either direction.
- Mr. Orgera stated that there is a moratorium on Speed Humps; the City does not install Speed Bumps only Speed Humps. We are in the process of writing a Policy for Speed Humps; Speed Humps cannot be installed right now, but maybe in the future.
- Mr. Orgera stated that someone will go out and take a look at the issue with the hill that you can't see in either direction and create either “No Parking” on that hill or some type of signage that says “Limited Sight Distance”.
- If the Traffic Advisory Committee approves the Speed Hump Policy, it will then go to the Transportation Committee of the Board of Representatives for approval, the process will take a couple of months. If approved by the Board of Representatives, Traffic Counts and Traffic Studies will need to be done.

**Rosina Binetti – Liberty Place Parking.**

- Ms. Rosina Binetti stated that since construction started there is a parking issue at Liberty Place. People are parking all the way up and down the street making it difficult for cars to drive thru; this is a traffic hazard because two cars can't fit.

- Mr. Orgera stated that about two years ago a Survey for Residential Parking Permit Program was sent out and it failed. The City is working with a company that is doing construction there, they are talking about inset parking, the parking will move off the street and on to the property of the construction site.
- Ms. Binetti stated that part of the problem could be that the BMW Repair Service is parking the cars on the street; they have seen BMW cars parked on the street. There are three other auto places in the area that might be doing the same thing. Mr. Orgera stated that this a Zoning violation and will talk to the Zoning Enforcement Officer about it.
- Mr. Fedeli will be going out to look at the issue as well.
- Doug Hoyt will go out and check if there are corner restrictions.

**Ted Milone – Request for Lane Closure Associated with the Atlantic Station Phase I Project Located at the Southwest Corner of Atlantic Street and Tresser Boulevard.**

- Rich Chambers presenting for Ted Milone.
- Mr. Chambers discussed a potential lane closure going east bound on Tresser Boulevard. On Atlantic Street southbound there is parking, they would like to be able to bag those meters when the time comes.
- Duration at Tresser will be approximately four months at the minimum.
- The project is due to start this summer, potentially the end of July with a 24 month duration.
- Will apply for State Permit.
- There will be a final Zoning meeting on June 29, 2015.
- They are requesting to close the parking lane on Atlantic Street.
- There will be a sidewalk shed for pedestrian traffic. When the time comes to do that work, they will close a section of sidewalk and do crossing at the western end of Tresser.
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- The closure will impact the Thanksgiving Day Parade. Arrangements need to be made to move barricades for Parade, there should be a meeting to discuss.
- Mr. Chambers does not believe that the median will be widen as part of the project; he believes it will stay the same, but will check with Ted Milone. Mr. Poola is concerned with the access to the left turn, if they take one more lane it will impact

the traffic even more than what it is now. Mr. Chamber will check to see what the left lane stipulation is.

- The other option is to do movable barriers with hours of closure stipulations.

Motion was made by Doug Hoyt, seconded by Veera Karukonda and passed unanimously to approve lane closure associated with the Atlantic Station Phase I Project located at the southwest corner of Atlantic Street and Tresser Boulevard.

### **Bill Buckley and Dave Killeen – Public Parking in Harbor Point.**

- Tabled to the July 2015 Traffic Advisory Committee meeting.

Motion was made by Frank Fedeli, seconded by Captain Brian McElligott and passed unanimously to Suspend the Rules.

### **Robert Bagomolny – Chai Life Line – Bike 4 Chai – Fund Raising Cycling Event – Wednesday, August 5, 2015 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. – 440 Adults.**

- Starting point will be the Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza located in the center of Summer Street heading south and Bedford Street heading north. Summer Street is a One Way going south and Bedford Street is a One Way going north, destination is to go to Long Ridge Road.
- Mr. Bagomolny requested Police escort to get the riders out of the hotel safely.
- The route will be:
  - South on Summer Street
  - Right on Bridge Street
  - Right on Washington Boulevard
  - Left on Rt. 104 – Long Ridge Road
  - Left on Roxbury Road
  - Stay on Roxbury Road
  - Continue onto Riverbank Road
  - Left onto Long Ridge Road
- After some discussion it was suggested that the start point should be Lord & Taylor, which is north of the Bulls Head intersection and go up Long Ridge Road. This will have less impact on traffic. Mr. Bagomolny should request permission from Lord & Taylor to use their lot.
- State DOT Permit is required to use Long Ridge Road.

Motion was made by Frank Fedeli, seconded by Captain Brian McElligott and passed unanimously to approve Bike 4 Chai event on Wednesday, August 5, 2015 contingent that the ride leaves from Lord & Taylor.

### **Policy and Guidelines for No Truck Sign Installation – Review Only.**

- Committee was asked to review the Policy and Guidelines for No Truck Sign Installation, any additions, deletions or questions will be discussed at the July 29, 2015 meeting.

### **Speed Hump Installation Policy – Review Only.**

- Committee was asked to review the Policy for Speed Hump Installation, any additions, deletions or questions will be discussed at the July 29, 2015 meeting.
- After approval from the Traffic Advisory Committee, it will then go to the Board of Representatives for their approval.

### **New Business**

- Captain Sue Bretthauer stated that at a previous meeting it was decided that the Springdale crossing was going to be at the intersection of Mulberry Street, but the sign is now placed north of it. Apparently there was another meeting where it was decided to move the crossing to a different location. Captain Bretthauer feels that the new location of the crosswalk is going to cause traffic to back up.
- Mani Poola explained that the crosswalk cannot go on Mulberry Street because he cannot put a safe crossing there; the people turning from Mulberry Street will not be able to see when it is flashing. Mr. Poola cannot put a full signal at Mulberry Street because it will take away all the storage space between Camp Avenue and Mulberry Street.
- Mr. Orgera and Mr. Poola will go out and take a look at it.

As there were no further business, motion was made by Frank Fedeli, seconded by Captain Beth Erickson to adjourn the meeting at 11:49 a.m. and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted  
Margarita Arenas  
July 1, 2015