

Traffic Commission Meeting
November 19, 2009

Where: Traffic & Parking Office, 133 Holland St
When: Thursday November 19, 2009 @ 6pm

Attendance: Stan Koty, Thomas Graney, George Manzelli, James Polito
Staff: James Kotzuba, Terence Smith, Lawrence Murphy, Laura Accaputo

Meeting called to order @ 6:00pm

Item #1 – Minutes from October 15, 2009 Traffic Commission Meeting accepted unanimously

Item #2 – Request for Handicapped Parking
104 Pearl St (to be placed opposite 104 Pearl in front of the East Somerville Community School)
61 Webster Av
Motion to **Approve** (both) made by James Polito, 2nd George Manzelli, unanimous

Item #3 – Request for Fire Lane
Harvard Pl, north side, at the intersection of Harvard St, for a distance of 20ft
Harvard St, west side, at the intersection of Harvard Pl, for a distance of 54ft northerly
Miller St, (#13), for a distance of 100ft (submitted by Chief Kelleher)
Motion to **Approve** (both) made by James Polito, 2nd Thomas Graney, unanimous

Item #4 – Tabled Items
a) Request for Fire Lane (submitted by Chief Kelleher)
Craigie Ter – south side, for a distance of 65ft westerly
b) Request for Handicapped Parking
35 Dane Av
Motion to **Approve** (both) made by James Polito, 2nd Thomas Graney, unanimous

Before the meeting was adjourned, Alex Epstein of 278 Beacon St asked to address the Commission regarding bike lanes in the City of Somerville. He stated that Boston enforces the ordinance prohibiting vehicles from blocking bike lanes with fines and he wondered if Somerville had a similar ordinance. James Kotzuba explained that in Somerville this is tagged under existing regulations which are Parking Over 1 ft from Curb and Double Parking. He also stated that these regulations are enforced as part of a regular route. Terence Smith also noted that this same issue was raised 6 months ago by Steve Winslow and he was told to defer to the Law Department and the Somerville Police Department.

Meeting was adjourned @ 6:15pm

