



City of Binghamton Traffic Board

Mayor, Jared M. Kraham
Chair, Megan Heiman

SUMMARY OF MINUTES CITY OF BINGHAMTON TRAFFIC BOARD	
MEETING DATE: April 13, 2023	LOCATION: Council Chambers, City Hall
CALLED TO ORDER: 9:15 AM	RECORDER OF MINUTES: Tito Martinez

ROLL CALL		
MEMBERS PRESENT:	PRESENT:	ABSENT:
Megan Heiman (chair)	X	
Ron Lake	X	
Daniel Maerkl	X	
Sophia Resciniti	X	
John Ryan	X	
OTHERS PRESENT:	ORGANIZATION:	
Joshua Paludi	DPW	
	BPD	
Cindy Paddick	BMTS	

NEW BUSINESS		
ADDRESS: E Frederick St / Moeller St		
DESCRIPTION FROM AGENDA: Traffic signal removal/repair		
APPLICANT: DPW		
DISCUSSION POINTS: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Paddick states there was low volume and no crashes in 2021. Signal does not meet current standards.▪ Removal was not recommended in the past due to the proximity of the school. Suggests setting light to flash and checking results. RRFV is an option.▪ Maerkl suggests a 4-way stop would be sufficient▪ Lake suggests signal is not needed▪ Ryan suggests testing flashing light▪ Maerkl will put up "Traffic Study" sign		
VOTING		
MOTION: Begin 90 day removal study period		
FIRST: Lake	SECOND: Maerkl	VOTE: Carried (5-0-0)

NEW BUSINESS		
ADDRESS: Pine St No Parking Zone		
DESCRIPTION FROM AGENDA: Discuss ingress of fire apparatuses through Court St to avoid parking removal on Pine St		
APPLICANT: BPD		
DISCUSSION POINTS: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Heiman states that fire apparatuses enter via Court St. Spoke to Fire Chief. Chief Gardner will instruct BFD to use Court St.		

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Heiman would like to table until May meeting. 		
VOTING		
MOTION: Table until May		
FIRST: Maerkl	SECOND: Lake	VOTE: Carried (5-0-0)

NEW BUSINESS		
ADDRESS: Court St / Water St		
DESCRIPTION FROM AGENDA: Remove “No Turn on Red” from eastbound lane		
APPLICANT: Richard Day		
DISCUSSION POINTS:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Heiman states that request was made due to current status of Water St as one way northbound ▪ States that one way is not yet permanent. Given heavy pedestrian traffic, it should stay for the time being. ▪ Lake says Water St will likely revert to 2-way. Recommends leaving sign ▪ Maerkl agrees 		
VOTING		
MOTION: Deny requested removal		
FIRST: Lake	SECOND: Maerkl	VOTE: Carried (5-0-0)

NEW BUSINESS		
ADDRESS: West End Ave / Floral Ave		
DESCRIPTION FROM AGENDA: Stop sign and/or traffic calming measures		
APPLICANT: Sophia Resciniti		
DISCUSSION POINTS:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Resciniti spoke to United Methodist Church. Watched traffic and noted that cars appear to be speeding down Floral Ave. Churchgoers are often unable to cross street from parking on west side of Floral Ave. Aside from one signal on Main, there are no more lights until Floral Park Cemetery. Requests study of intersection and/or Floral Ave ▪ Ryan can place speed trailer at location. ▪ Resciniti requests crosswalk warning sign ▪ Paddick has traffic count from 2019 for intersection. Very few cars exceeding 40mph; mostly low 30s. Traffic volume unavailable for intersection, but not likely that it would warrant s 3-way stop. Suggests that crosswalk warning would be adequate. Also states reflective signs are effective ▪ Maerkl states there is no crosswalk sign and that one can be added 		
VOTING		
MOTION: station speed trailer, install Crosswalk Warning Sign, and table		
FIRST: Maerkl	SECOND: Lake	VOTE: Carried (5-0-0)

NEW BUSINESS		
ADDRESS: 261 Main St; 264-266 Main St		
DESCRIPTION FROM AGENDA: 2 new curb cuts at 261 Main St, one new curb cut at 264-266 Main St, and a crosswalk connecting the properties		
APPLICANT: The Family & Children’s Society		
DISCUSSION POINTS:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lake states that City typically does not approve “horseshoe” driveways, but not opposed in this case due to the need for a handicap parking area and dropoff ▪ Paddick has some concerns about pulling out in front of parking, but does not see a better alternative ▪ Heiman states that crosswalk is under review by Barton & Lougicide (B&L). B&L initially reviewed in 2019 and submitted a justification for mid-block crosswalk as part of Main Street redesign grant. They have offered to revise plan for block to include crosswalk. 		

MOTION: Approve requested curb cuts and table requested crosswalk until May meeting		
FIRST: Lake	SECOND: Ryan	VOTE: Carried (5-0-0)

DETERMINATION		
ADDRESS: Prospect St / Glenwood Ave		
DESCRIPTION FROM AGENDA: Requests left turn arrow be added to eastbound light on Prospect St		
APPLICANT: Caella Whetsell		
DISCUSSION POINTS:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Maerkl states timing can be adjusted, but creates a liability issue if there is no turn arrow ▪ Paddick states there's no room for turn lane 		
MOTION: Deny request		
FIRST: Maerkl	SECOND: Lake	VOTE: Carried (5-0-0)

NEW BUSINESS		
ADDRESS: 5 Pine St		
DESCRIPTION FROM AGENDA: Widen existing 10' apron at 3 Pine St to 20' to allow access to 5 Pine St		
APPLICANT: Kimberly Cuddy		
REPRESENTATIVE(S):		
DISCUSSION POINTS:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Martinez states that width is adequate for Cuddy to access 5 Pine St without encroaching ▪ Lake states that increasing driveway width will kill existing tree and that an easement would be recommended ▪ Heiman wants comment from Parks Dept regarding tree 		
MOTION: Table		
FIRST: Lake	SECOND: Ryan	VOTE: Carried (5-0-0)

NEW BUSINESS		
ADDRESS: Veterans Ave		
DESCRIPTION FROM AGENDA: Requests stop signs and crosswalks at various intersections		
APPLICANT: Parks Dept.		
DISCUSSION POINTS:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ BPD recommended additional stop signs and crosswalks in IDC, as well as replacing a missing stop sign and adding 15mph signage 		
MOTION: Table		
FIRST: Lake	SECOND: Maerkl	VOTE: Carried (4-0-0)

NEW BUSINESS		
ADDRESS: Susquehanna St / Washington St		
DESCRIPTION FROM AGENDA: Move OCCT bus stop location to southern side of intersection		
DISCUSSION POINTS:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Heiman will contact OCCT ▪ Paddick states that no change should happen until sidewalk repairs are complete on Washington St 		
MOTION: Table		
FIRST: Lake	SECOND: Maerkl	VOTE: Carried (4-0-0)

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to adjourn

TIME: 9:54am

FIRST: Lake

SECOND: Heiman

VOTE: Carried (4-0-0)