

MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

The Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting of the City of Stamford was held remotely on Wednesday, December 02, 2020, at 10:30 a.m.

Chair James Travers, called the meeting to order at 10:30 A.M.

Present at the meeting were:

Gail Mcrae
Orazio Cirelli
Sgt. Kevin Keenan
Mark McGrath
Gary Peterson
Capt. Sue Bretthauer
Garrett Bolella
Doug Hoyt
Jodie Pullan

Doug Hoyt
Winston Mckenzie
Stephen Frycz
Fire Marshal, Walter Seely
Thomas Turk
Frank Petise
Luke Bittenwieser
Thomas Madden
Dan Colleouri

Guests:

Rabbi Moshe Shemtov – Chabad Jewish Center- Chanukah Car Menorah Parade
Greg Verses/ A.Papajohn- True North Tower Crane Assembly
Eric Mercado/ Katerra/ LMC- 885 Washington Blvd- Tower crane Dismantling
Justin E. Xenelis/ Eversourec- Gas Replacement Projects
Andy/ A-Quick Pick Crane- Aquarion Emergency Project- Meter Pit Opening- Opposite 2109 Summer Street.
Carmine/ Longo Company- Hoist Crane from Hoyt Street.

NEW BUSINESS:

CONSENT AGENDA:

Rabbi Moshe King / Chabad Jewish Center- Chanukah Car Menorah Parade

Rabbi Moshe appeared before the committee to request the committee to approve the Chanukah Menorah Parade on Saturday, December 12, 2020, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. 30 Adults and 20 Children.

Route:

- Start Chabad Center – 770 High Ridge Road
- Continue straight onto Summer Street.
- Right onto Main Street.
- Left onto Washington Boulevard.
- Left on Commons Park N.
- Turn right on Walter Wheeler Drive
- Right on Pacific Street.
- Right on Washington Boulevard.
- Right on Station Place.
- Left on Atlantic Street.

- Continue straight to Bedford Street.
- Stop at Latham Park for 25 min (light the Menorah)
- Go up Prospect Street.
- Turn left onto 5th Avenue.
- Turn right onto Revonah Avenue
- Continue straight on East Lane.
- Loop around West Lane.
- Turn left on 5th Street
- Left onto Strawberry Hill Avenue.
- Left onto Oaklawn Avenue
- Right on Pepperidge Road.
- Left onto Vine Road
- Left onto High Ridge Road
- End at Chabad Center- 770 High Ridge Road.

As part of the consent agenda, a motion to approve the Chanukah Car Menorah Parade was made seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote, contingent upon Rabbi. Moshe Shemtov providing Jodi Pullan with the contact name of the participants, and a safety outline to ensure the participants will remain in their vehicles and no gathering before or after the event. Also, contact the police department to determine the amount of required police presence.

REGULAR AGENDA:

Gregg Verses/ A. Papajohn- St. John's Lot Truth North Crane Assembly

Gregg appeared before the committee to request the committee approve the road Closure for the crane Erection on Bell Street.

Duration:

- (5) days
- Starting foundation: January
- Crane erection: July 2021

Proposed Closures:

- Block off access to Bell Street Parking Garage and have vehicles exit on Clark Street.
- Close Bell Street from Washington to Atlantic
- Leave sidewalk open for access to YMCA from Washington Blvd.

Chair James Travers suggested that Mr. Verses rework the MPT plan to determine that no vehicles enter or exit onto Clark Street.

The agenda item was tabled until a future date for Mr. Verses to rework the MPT plan and reschedule a meeting with Traffic Engineers, Garrett Bolella, and Frank Petise, to review the plan beforehand to ensure the furthest west exit onto Bell Street remains open allowing egress for the Bell Street Garage.

Carmine / Longo Company – Hoist Crane from Hoyt Street to repair the unit

Carmine appeared before the committee to request the committee to approve the sidewalk closure to hoist a crane from Hoyt Street to repair a bad unit.

Duration: (2) hours

Proposed closure: The sidewalk on the corner of the building.

As part of the regular agenda, a motion to approve the request to hoist a crane from Hoyt Street to repair a bad unit, a motion was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote, contingent upon Carmine Longo provides a revised MPT plan to Garrett Bolella with a plan depicting pedestrian detour signs for the sidewalk and crosswalk closures

Informational Only:

Eric Mercado / Katerra/ LMC- Tower Crane Dismantling at 885 Washington Boulevard.

Eric appeared before the committee to review the logistic plan to pick the existing tower crane and land it onto the North & Southbound lanes of Washington Boulevard.

Closures:

- Northbound and Southbound lanes on Washington Boulevard from the intersection of Washington and Tresser to Main and Washington Boulevard.
- Close the right run lane on Tresser Boulevard to prohibit vehicles from turning onto Washington Boulevard.

Duration of project:

- (3) days
- Dismantling period from Friday at 6 pm to Monday at 6 am.
- Proposed dates- Friday, 2/26/21 to Monday, 3/01/21
- Work 24-hour shifts so the road is opened by Monday
- Remove the Hawk traffic signal on the northbound lane.

The committee recommended the following:

- (1) The contractor must schedule a separate meeting with Stephen Frycz once a signal contractor is in place to disassemble the mast arm.
- (2) Coordinate a meeting with Capt. Barcello and Sgt. Keenan to determine police detail.
- (3) Obtain approval from Connecticut Department of Transportation.
- (4) Obtain a noise waiver from the Health Dept.
- (5) Provide a contingency plan in case of inclement weather.
- (6) Provide the TAC Committee with correspondence from the hotel and YMCA about the impact of the project.
- (7) Contact Winston to obtain a Street Obstruction permit.

Justin E. Xenelis/ Eversource- 2021 Gas Replacement Projects

Justin appeared before the committee to discuss the 2021 Gas Main Projects for various locations.

The committee recommended the following:

1. The contractor must coordinate a meeting with Frank Petise and Garrett Bolella to determine if an MPT plan is required for each location.
2. Work with Tom Turk to make sure there are no conflicts with road restoration.
3. Obtain an obstruction permit from the Engineering Dept.
4. Send Garrett an updated timeline schedule list of 2020 gas main projects.

Andy/ A-Quick Pick Crane- Emergency Meter Pit Lid Opening for professional water services - Opposite 2109 Summer Street.

Andy appeared before the committee to request the committee approve the crane set up to lift the meter pit to allow the contractor to repair the meter.

The committee recommended the following:

1. The contractor should visit the site and configure the set-up of the crane equipment.
2. Contact the Engineering Dept. to obtain an approved Street Obstruction permit.
3. Follow-up with Garrett Bolella with an MPT plan implementing the start date, and duration of the project.
4. Contact the Cashiering and Permitting Dept. to purchase meter bags.

PENDING MINUTES:

There were no pending minutes for November

As there was no further business, A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 12:15 p.m. and carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted
Crystal Mitchell
January 25, 2021