

CITY OF WORCESTER

TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 25, 2026
Esther Howland (South) Chamber
Convened: 5:35 P.M.
Adjourned: 8:12 P.M.

MAYOR

Joseph M. Petty

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chairperson Jose A Rivera
Vice Chairperson Luis A Ojeda
Councilor Robert A Bilotta



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Present Were:

Chairperson Councilor Jose A Rivera
Vice Chairperson Councilor Luis A Ojeda
Councilor Robert A Bilotta, who participated remotely

Also:

Councilor Tony Economou
Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility Stephen Rolle
WPD Sergeant James T. Foley
Principal Staff Assistant An Pham, clerk

1. Virtual Attendee Call-In Information

- a. Pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021 and in order to ensure active, public engagement, the City of Worcester currently allows for both in-person and remote participation at all City Council and Standing Committee meetings. To partake in the meeting, you may attend the meeting in-person within the meeting location, follow the below link to join via Zoom or dial the direct line as indicated. If you join a Zoom meeting by dialing in with a phone number, you can raise your hand by dialing *9.

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2. Approval of the Minutes

- a. Order - That the City Council Standing Committee of Traffic and Parking hereby approves the minutes of the Traffic and Parking Committee meeting of January 28, 2026.

**Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and moved for a roll call vote to adopt the item.
Order adopted on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays**

3. Handicap Parking Petitions

- a. William Hoag and Kayla Melvin request installation of two (2) or three (3) handicap parking spaces or a drop-off zone in front of 339 Main St. in the zone that is proximate north or south of the bus stop/fire hydrant near the wrought iron-gate.

7o CC September 30, 2025

In Committee November 19, 2025 - Held

In Committee January 28, 2026 - Held

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as the petitioners are no longer planning on opening a facility at this location.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- b. Steve Soto request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 98 Maywood St.

9k CC October 21, 2025

In Committee November 19, 2025 - Held

In Committee January 28, 2026 - Held

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as DTM has not been able to reach the petitioner for clarification on the request.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- c. Chairman's Order from the Committee on Traffic and Parking - Request Standing Committee on Traffic and Parking review the feasibility of rescinding removing two (2) ordained handicap parking spaces located at 101 and 99 Illinois St. and to retain one (1) handicap parking space located in front of 101 Illinois St. (Amended January 28, 2026)

11a CC October 21, 2025

In Committee January 28, 2026 - Held

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to approve.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend Approval on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- d. Paul A. Maffei request removal of handicap parking space ordained on Ararat St adjacent to 1 Marconi Rd. (Amended January 28, 2026)

9f CC December 9, 2025

In Committee January 28, 2026 - Held

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to approve.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend Approval on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- e. Brendalee Clander-Soto request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 152 Beacon St.

9k CC January 13, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to hold, as more information is needed from the petitioner.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Ojeda, who discussed the actions that will be taken to obtain additional information from the Petitioner with the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend Hold on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- f. Sotiraq Shtrepi request removal of the handicap parking space in front of 45 Ledgecrest Dr.

9l CC January 13, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as a similar request has been previously submitted and recommended for approval by the committee.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- g.** Teresa Zayas request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 9 North Ashland St.

9o CC January 13, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to hold, as more information is needed from the petitioner.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend Hold on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- h.** Luciano Gomez Alvarado request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 33 Glen St.

10g CC January 13, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to approve.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend Approval on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- i.** Lorraine Adams request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 13 Jaques Ave.

8k CC January 20, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as handicap parking signage was removed during reconstruction of the building at 13 Jaques Ave. and not reinstalled; DTM staff has submitted a work order to replace the missing signage.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- j. Report of the Committee on Traffic and Parking Upon the Petition of Samantha Leroy request removal of handicap parking signage in front of 60 Eastern Ave.

12b CC January 20, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to hold to amend the item for the removal of a handicap parking space in front of 65 Eastern Ave.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved to amend the item to read as follows, "Report of the Committee on Traffic and Parking Upon the Petition of Samantha Leroy request removal of handicap parking signage in front of 65 Eastern Ave."

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend Hold as Amended on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

4. Bus Stop Petition

- a. Councilor Morris A. Bergman request installation of a bus stop in the vicinity of 633 Salisbury St. and Lynnwood Ln.

9c CC December 9, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as no WRTA service currently runs along Salisbury St. in the vicinity of the requested bus stop location.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

5. Children Sign Petition

- a. Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of the residents of Saxon Rd. request installation of “Go Slow, Children Playing” signage in the vicinity of Saxon Rd. and Westbrook Rd.

9x CC January 13, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as this type of signage is not compliant with the FHWA Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), which all Massachusetts communities are required by MGL Ch. 85, Section 2 to comply with.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Economou, who discussed the traffic challenges in the area, the feasibility of installing an All Way Stop Control (AWSC) or reconfiguration of existing stop signs placement at the intersection of Westbrook Rd. and Kinnicutt Rd. and other traffic calming measures that can be installed in the area with the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the following speaker:

1. Mary Sullivan, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of the item

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

6. Crosswalk and Lighted Crosswalk System Petitions

- a. Jason Gerum, Director of Facilities for Worcester Academy, request the crosswalk at 121 and 124 Providence St. be reviewed for the feasibility of installing additional traffic control and lighting options at the location.

8a CC December 16, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to approve the installation of a rectangular rapid flashing beacon (RRFB) at the requested location, pending funding.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Ojeda, who discussed incorporating the traffic improvement measures as part of the building plan for Worcester Academy’s new facility with the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend Approval Pending Funding on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- b. Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Melissa Cohen request installation of a crosswalk with audio accessibility functions across Chandler St. at its intersection with Manhattan Rd.

9g CC January 13, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to approve the installation of a new crosswalk with ADA/PROWAG compliant ramps, MUTCD compliant pavement markings and a RRFB at the requested location, pending funding.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation

Recommend Approval Pending Funding on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- c. John Tonelli et al. request installation of an additional crosswalk at the cross-section of 58 Shrewsbury St. and Leo Turo Way, in order to increase pedestrian safety.

9p CC January 13, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to approve the installation of a new crosswalk with ADA/PROWAG compliant ramps, MUTCD compliant pavement markings and a RRFB at the requested location, pending funding.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Bilotta, who discussed how sight distance and pedestrian visibility can be improved at the location to ensure safety for pedestrians when crossing at the crosswalk, including changing the landscaping work at the location with the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Ojeda, who discussed the proposed updates to the intersection to install the RRFB and whether any study concerning streetlighting at the location has been conducted with the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility and WPD Sergeant Foley.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Bilotta, who discussed where the RRFB will be installed at the intersection with the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation

Recommend Approval Pending Funding on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- d. Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request installation of flashing pedestrian crosswalk signage at the intersection of Coburn Ave. and Bigelow Davis Pkwy./Hamilton St.

8j CC January 20, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to approve the installation of flashing pedestrian in crosswalk signage on the approaches to the crosswalks at the requested location, pending funding.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Bilotta, who discussed where the signs will be installed at the location with the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation

Recommend Approval Pending Funding on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

7. No Parking Petitions

- a. Councilor Luis A. Ojeda request installation of “No Parking Here to Corner” signage on Merrick St. at its intersection with Shawmut St.

9z CC August 19, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized Councilor Ojeda, who discussed the parking and traffic challenges at the intersection.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided a recommendation to approve the installation of the statutory 20 ft. No Parking zone at the requested location.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation

Recommend Approval on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- b. Patricia Tricomi request parking be prohibited on both sides of Thorndyke Rd. from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on school days.

10w CC August 19, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided a recommendation to approve the prohibition of parking 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. School Days Only on the entire north side of Thorndyke Rd.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Economou, who discussed where the No Parking zone will be installed with the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend Approval on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- c. Emma Duprey request installation of "No Parking Anytime" signage on one of the two sides of Norwood St.

9q CC September 9, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to approve the prohibition of parking on the entire south side of Norwood St.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the following speakers:

1. Emma Duprey, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of the item
2. Nick Asilo, No residence given, spoke in opposition to the item
3. Steve Lance, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to the item
4. Dat Do, No residence given, spoke in opposition to the item
5. James Karioki, No residence given, spoke in opposition to the item

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Ojeda, who discussed holding a meeting for further discussion with the residents in the neighborhood concerning the No Parking zone on the street.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to recommend the item be held.

Recommend Hold on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- d. Emma Duprey request installation of "No Parking Anytime" signage on one of the two sides of Norwood St.

7u CC September 30, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as this is a duplicated request.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- e. Jasmine Hollins-Gadbois request installation of "No Parking Anytime" signage at the intersection of Queen St. and Kingsbury St. between 58-54 Queen St.

10b CC November 18, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to install the statutory 20 ft. No Parking Zone at the requested location.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend Approval on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- f. Plato Dimitriadis and Suzanne Bradley request installation of "No Parking From Here to Corner" signage on Berkman St. at its intersection with June St.

9i CC November 25, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to approve the installation of the statutory 20 ft. No Parking zone at the requested location.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the following speakers:

1. Plato Dimitriadis, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of the item

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Ojeda, who discussed the length of the No Parking zone relative to location of fire hydrant on the street with the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend Approval on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- g. Councilor John P. Fresolo on behalf of Monica Durmillari request installation of “No Parking Anytime” signage on the even side of Cutler St. from Aetna St. to Dorchester St.
81 CC January 20, 2026**

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to approve the prohibition of parking on the west side of Cutler St. from Aetna St. to Dorchester St.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the following speakers:

- 1. John Power, No residence given, spoke in opposition to the item**
- 2. Kelly Robinson, Worcester residence, spoke in favor of the item**
- 3. Bill O’Keefe, Worcester residence, spoke in favor of the item**
- 4. Scott Johnson, Worcester residence, spoke in favor of the item**

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Bilotta, who discussed whether Cutler St. is a one-way street with the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who discussed parking concerns and challenges relative to the narrow width of the street with Councilor Ojeda.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the WPD Sergeant, who discussed parking enforcement on the street.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Ojeda, who discussed utilizing the 311 app to report issues related to parking.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend Approval on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- h.** Manuel Figueroa request installation of "No Parking Anytime" signage between the driveways of 91 Seymour St. and 78 Vernon St.

8n CC January 20, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to approve the installation of the statutory 5 ft. No Parking zone on either side of requested location.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Ojeda, who discussed whether there are any feasible additional measures to inform people of the No Parking zone with the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend Approval on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- i.** Eric LeDoux request removal of "No Parking Anytime" signage in front of 48 Water St. to allow for additional parking spaces.

7h CC January 27, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the following speakers:

- 1. Eric Ledoux, Worcester resident, spoke neither in favor nor opposed to the item**
- 2. Kelsey Roth, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to the item**

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as the existing No Parking zone is in place to comply with MGL Ch. 89 Section 4D which prohibits parking within a bike lane and there is not enough width at the location with the merging traffic coming on from the off-ramp to 290 to provide for additional parking spaces.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Speaker #1, who discussed challenges related to limited parking spaces, the need for handicap parking spaces for elderly residents in the building and the need for snow removal services with the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility and Councilor Bilotta.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera then discussed the procedural motion for the item with Councilor Bilotta.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to provide the recommendation to file.

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

8. Parking and Parking Meter Petitions

- a. Joel Wallen request removal of the Commercial Loading Zone in front of 237 Millbury St.

10i CC September 9, 2025

In Committee January 28, 2026 - Held

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to approve.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Ojeda, who spoke concerning the item.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend Approval on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- b. Kristian Albarracin request the sidewalks in the vicinity of 165 Belmont St. be reviewed and reconfigured to allow for the installation of additional parking at the location.

8y CC October 21, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as the sidewalks are designed to accommodate the expected traffic volume and speed of a Principal Urban Arterial, which is what Belmont St. is classified as, as well as the city specification for driveways; attempting to lower the sidewalks in the area would bring the sidewalks out of compliance with both federal and state law and will go against the city specifications on proper sidewalk design.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- c. Juana Pena, Administrator of Help Me Grow Childcare, request installation of a loading zone in front of 13 Scott St.
9b CC October 21, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the following speakers:

- 1. Juana Pena, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of the item**
- 2. Patricia Hobbs, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of the item**

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to approve the installation of a passenger loading zone Monday to Friday 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the requested location.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend Approval on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

- d. Mohammad Arman Hossain request installation of 15-minute parking zone in front of 103 Canterbury St.
9z CC November 18, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to approve the installation of 15-minute parking 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. in front of 103 Canterbury St.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Ojeda, who discussed the location for the 15-minute parking zone with the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to hold to amend the item for the installation of 15-minute parking zone on Grand St. in the vicinity of 103 Canterbury St.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved to amend the item to read as follows, “Mohammad Arman Hossain request installation of 15-minute parking zone on Grand St. in the vicinity of 103 Canterbury St.”

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation

Recommend Hold as Amended on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays

9. Speed and Traffic Enforcement Petitions

- a. Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of the residents of Holden St. request increased speed enforcement from the Holden line to Brattle St. during the morning and afternoon rush hours.

9v CC January 13, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item moved to take the item up collectively with item #9b.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Economou, who discussed the needs for additional traffic enforcement at the requested location.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who discussed the travel speed data for both Holden St. and Ararat St.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the WPD Sergeant, who spoke concerning the item.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the following speakers:

1. David Hoffman, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of the item

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Economou, who discussed the needs to coordinate the locations for school bus pick-up/drop-off so they will be at a crosswalk.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Bilotta, who spoke concerning the item.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the WPD Sergeant, who discussed the procedural motions for the item with the Principal Staff Assistant.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera brought forth the following two (2) Chairman's Orders: 1) Request City Manager request Police Chief provide additional traffic enforcement on Holden St. to Brattle St., especially during the morning and afternoon rush hours; and 2) Request City Manager request Police Chief provide additional traffic enforcement on Ararat St., especially during the morning and afternoon rush hours.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to recommend the item be filed.

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Ojeda absent)

Chairman's Orders

Request City Manager request Police Chief provide additional traffic enforcement on Holden St. to Brattle St., especially during the morning and afternoon rush hours.

Request City Manager request Police Chief provide additional traffic enforcement on Ararat St., especially during the morning and afternoon rush hours.

- b. Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Bob McCauley request increased speed enforcement on Ararat St., especially during morning and afternoon rush hours.

10b CC January 13, 2026

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Ojeda absent) (See Item #9a)

10. Stop Sign Petitions

- a. Deborah Fins request installation of a stop sign on Neponset St. at the entrance of Reliant Clinic parking lot (5 Neponset St.).

9v CC September 9, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as the crash history and the volume of traffic at the intersection do not meet warrants for stop signs.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera brought forth the following two (2) Chairman's Orders: 1) Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility remove unauthorized stop sign facing Neponset St.; and 2) Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility extend the double yellow centerline on Neponset St. through the driveway intersection at 5 Neponset St.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Ojeda absent)

Chairman's Orders

Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility remove unauthorized stop sign facing Neponset St.

Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility extend the double yellow centerline on Neponset St. through the driveway intersection at 5 Neponset St.

- b. Councilor Candy Mero-Carlson request installation of a stop sign at the corner of Sherbrook Ave. and Lakeview St.

10j CC November 18, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as stop signs on Lakeview St. have already been ordained and installed, and the intersection does not qualify for AWSC.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Bilotta, who discussed the stop sign installed on Lakeview St. at the intersection of Sherbrook Ave., the MUTCD regulations relative to stop signs and concerns relative to traffic and speeding at the intersection with the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to recommend the item be held.

Recommend Hold on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Ojeda absent)

- c. Patrick Grady request installation of a stop sign on Judson Rd. at its intersection with Grove St.

9f CC November 25, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to approve.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the following speakers:

- 1. Richard Freeman, Worcester resident, spoke neither in favor nor opposed to the item**

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend Approval on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Ojeda absent)

- d. Kristen Thurlow request installation of a stop sign at the intersection of Ellsworth St. and Harding St.

8f CC December 16, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to approve for installation of AWSC at the requested location.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the following speakers:

1. Kristen Thurlow, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of the item

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend Approval on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Ojeda absent)

11. Traffic Control Signal Petitions

- a. Alexandra Cormier request installation of a dedicated left-turn-only signal at the intersection of Park Ave. and Lovell St.

7j CC September 30, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as the committee has recommended approval for an order for DTM to develop plans for installation of left-turn signal at the requested location and DTM has submitted the design for the traffic signal as part of their FY2027 budget.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Ojeda absent)

- b. Michael John Grandone request installation of electric traffic signal at the intersection of Sunderland Rd. and Massasoit Rd.

9q CC November 18, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as the requested location does not meet warrants for a traffic signal.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Ojeda absent)

- c. David Dufresne request installation of turn indicator signs/arrows on Olean St. going southbound after 186 Olean St.

9t CC November 18, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to approve for installation of Curve Ahead signage on both approaches of the requested location followed by installation of Chevron signage, pending funding.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation

Recommend Approval Pending Funding on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Ojeda absent)

- d. Patrick Grady request installation of left turn arrow traffic signals on Stafford St. at the intersection of Heard St. and Curtis Pkwy.

10w CC November 18, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as the left-turn volumes are low and since the intersection geometry was modified in late 2024 to establish formal left-turn lanes on Stafford St., there have been no crashes at the intersection that involved the eastbound left-turn movement, therefore more continued monitoring of the intersection is recommended.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera brought forth the following Chairman's Order: Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility continue to monitor Stafford St., Heard St. and Curtis Pkwy intersection to evaluate the needs for left-turn arrow traffic signal on Stafford St.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Ojeda absent)

Chairman's Orders

Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility continue to monitor Stafford St., Heard St. and Curtis Pkwy intersection to evaluate the needs for left-turn arrow traffic signal on Stafford St.

12. Traffic Sign Petitions

- a. Councilor Etel Haxhiaj on behalf of Erin Morell request installation of “Dead End Street” signage on Winchester Ave.

10f CC August 19, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to approve the installation of “Dead End” signage at the requested location.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend Approval on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Ojeda absent)

- b. Sheila F. Shea request "Private Way" signage on the street sign of Greenleaf Terrace be reinstalled.

7e CC September 16, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as this is a DPW sign maintenance issue and DTM staff have entered the request in the CSRS system.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Ojeda absent)

13. Traffic Study Petitions

- a. Petition of Ethan Bates request review of the intersection of Franklin St., Norfolk St. and Suffolk St. for traffic calming measures to address dangerous conditions for both pedestrians and motorists.

10l CC August 19, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as the City Council has approved the conversion of the intersection to AWSC in 2024; the design of the intersection improvements are being finalized by an outside consultant and funding for the construction has been requested in the FY2027 budget request.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Bilotta, who discussed the need for the intersection to be redesigned.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the following speakers:

1. Ethan Bates, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of the item

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Ojeda absent)

- b. Petition of Councilor Khrystian E. King on behalf of Matthew Lynch request Forest St. be reviewed for the installation of traffic calming measures, including crosswalks, speed humps, or other safety measures needed to improve safety given its proximity to schools and high car volume.

10i CC November 18, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to hold, as additional analysis for bike lanes and alternative traffic calming measures are needed.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera brought forth the following Chairman's Order: Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility conduct a traffic study on Forest St. to provide recommendations for traffic calming measures to improve safety and manage speeding on said street.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend Hold on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Ojeda absent)

Chairman's Orders

Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility conduct a traffic study on Forest St. to provide recommendations for traffic calming measures to improve safety and manage speeding on said street.

14. Truck Ban Petition

- a. Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Barbara Clifford request installation of “Not A Truck Route” signage in the approach of West Chester St., from Chester St. and from Barry Rd. Ext.

9z CC January 13, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized Councilor Economou, who discussed challenges relative to truck traffic on West Chester St. due to the narrow width of the street.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation approve installation of “Not A Designated Truck Route” signage at the requested location.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation

Recommend Approval on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Ojeda absent)

15. Miscellaneous

- a. Petition of Joseph Corazzini request all street markings on Salisbury St. be repainted, including median lanes, breakdown lanes, passing lanes, left and straight lane markings and crosswalks.

8u CC October 21, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as the portions of the street that were not impacted by utility construction (Forest St. to Park Ave.) were repainted as part of DTM managed Pavement Marking Maintenance Program in the summer and fall of 2025 and DTM will be restoring the markings to the rest of the street once utility work is completed.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Ojeda absent)

- b. Petition of Stephen B. Harris request continuation of bike lanes on Grove St. from the intersection of Grove St. and Forest St. to the intersection of Grove St. and West Boylston St., and from Grove St. to the Worcester/Holden city line along Holden St.

8e CC December 16, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to approve a request for DTM to provide a report concerning time plan, feasibility and conceptual plans for extending bike lanes at the requested location.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the following speakers:

1. Breanna Labelle, Worcester resident, spoke neither in favor nor opposed to the item

Chairperson Councilor Rivera brought forth the following Chairman's Order: Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility conduct a traffic study on Grove St. for the purposes of extending the bike lanes on said street.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation.

Recommend Approval on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Ojeda absent)

Chairman's Orders

Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility conduct a traffic study on Grove St. for the purposes of extending the bike lanes on said street.

- c. Order of Councilor Jose A. Rivera - Request Standing Committee on Traffic and Parking hold a meeting to discuss best practices the city can use to guarantee traffic signage is finalized by City Council and installed in all proper locations in a timely and efficient manner, to better ensure safe and properly enforceable signage is installed throughout the roadways of the city.

13l CC January 13, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who discussed the traffic signage installation process, the challenges relative to the legislative process and the workload, and opportunities for improvements in the process.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to recommend the item be held.

Recommend Hold on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Ojeda absent)

16. Communications of the City Manager

- a. Transmitting informational communication relative to School Zone signing.
25n CM July 15, 2025

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided an overview of the item and the recommendation to file.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Bilotta, who spoke concerning the item.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to accept the recommendation

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Ojeda absent)