

CITY OF WORCESTER

TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, September 23, 2026
Esther Howland (South) Chamber
Convened: 5:32 P.M.
Adjourned: 7:56 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

Councilor Luis A. Ojeda, who arrived at 5:34 p.m.

Councilor Robert A. Bilotta, who participated in the meeting remotely

Also:

Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility Stephen Rolle

Assistant Director of Transportation and Mobility Todd

Kirrane

WPD Sergeant Richard Cipro

Principal Staff Assistant An Pham, clerk

1. Virtual Attendee Call-In Information/Important Notice to Petitioners

- 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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- b. Important Notice: Please be aware our office has been notified of an ongoing scam involving the impersonation of city officials and departments. Scammers are fraudulently requesting payments be made for planning and zoning permits, as well as City Council petitions. All official emails regarding your petition will come exclusively from an @worcesterma.gov email address (such as clerk@worcesterma.gov), or via physical mail on the City of Worcester's official letterhead. Any legitimate hearing letter will always include your specific application details, along with the scheduled hearing date, time, and location. The City of Worcester will never request payments via wire transfer.

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 August 31, 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. Councilor Luis A. Ojeda on behalf of Brenda Jenkins request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 13 Benefit St.

7t CC July 21, 2026

In Committee August 19, 2026 - Held

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

- 1. Yary Jaen, No resident given, spoke in favor of the item**

Chairperson Councilor Rivera 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

- b. Mariah Murphy request installation of a handicap parking space across from 200 Fairmont Ave. (Amended August 19, 2026).

8i CC July 21, 2026

In Committee August 19, 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

- c. Daily Toribio request installation of a handicap parking space with ADA accessible curb cut at 62 Circuit Ave. North.

9e CC August 18, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as the property is a single-family house with onsite parking, there is no sidewalk to construct an ADA compliant ramp, and the city's policy is to not construct ADA ramps with residential Handicap Parking spaces.

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

- d. Jose A. DeJesus and Margarita Aguilar request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 90 Chino Ave.
9i CC August 18, 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

- e. Joanna Parafinowicz request the handicap parking space in the vicinity of 78 Seymour St. be removed.
9k CC August 18, 2026

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

1. Joanna Parafinowicz, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of the item

Chairperson Councilor Rivera 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

- f. Tanya Gaston request the handicap parking space located at 14 Ingalls St. be relocated across the street.
9m CC August 18, 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

- g.** Raymond Eliason request removal of a handicap parking space at 8 Shepard St.
10k CC August 18, 2026

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

- 1. Raymond Eliason, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of the item**

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved to take the item up collectively with Item #3h.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to approve Item #3g and to hold Item #3h to amend for the installation of Handicap Parking (HP) space in front of 49 Whipple St.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Speaker #1, who discussed the location for the HP space at 50 Whipple St. with the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved to amend Item #3h to read as follows, “Raymond Eliason request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 49 Whipple St.”

Chairperson Councilor Rivera then discussed the motions with Speaker #1.

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.** Raymond Eliason request installation of a handicap parking space at 50 Whipple St.
10l CC August 18, 2026

Recommend Hold as Amended on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #3g)

- i.** Zainabu Hakili request installation of a handicap parking space in front of 67 Hollis St.
10m CC August 18, 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

- j. Jimmie Barry request removal of the handicap parking space in front of 1 Belvidere Ave.
11g CC September 8, 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

4. One and Two-Way Street Reconfiguration Petitions

- a. Councilor Robert A. Bilotta request Thorne St. be made a one-way street, with cars travelling from east to west.
7s CC June 16, 2026

In Committee August 31, 2026 - Held

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized Councilor Bilotta, who discussed plans related to holding a neighborhood meeting to discuss the proposal.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the following Speaker:

- 1. No name given, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to the item

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Bilotta, who discussed the importance of community feedback regarding the proposal with Speaker #1.

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

5. Speed and Traffic Enforcement Petitions

- a. Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Sheila Reid request traffic enforcement of the stop signs at the intersection of Beechmont St. and Bancroft Tower Rd., in the interest in public safety.

9c CC August 18, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who discussed crash history and implementation of traffic calming measures at the location.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the WPD Sergeant, who discussed the impact of the installation of speed humps at the location and provision of traffic enforcement at the intersection.

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

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

- b. Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Bill Hurley request increased speed enforcement on West Chester St., in the interest of public safety.

9q CC August 18, 2026

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

1. Barbara Clifford, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of the item

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who discussed speed data on West Chester St. and traffic challenges related to width of the street.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the WPD Sergeant, who discussed the speed data on West Chester St., enforcement challenges on the street related to the width of the street and plans related to speed hump installation on the street.

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

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

- c. Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Christine Dolat request increased speed and traffic enforcement on Delawanda Dr., in an effort to deter speeding and illegal vehicle use in the neighborhood.

9t CC August 18, 2026

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

- 1. Christine Dolat, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of the item.**
- 2. No name given, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of the item**

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who discussed traffic and speed data collected on the street.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the WPD Sergeant, who discussed provision of traffic enforcement on the street.

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

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

- d. Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Ronald Prapuolenis request increased speed enforcement on Mountain St. West between West Boylston St. and Pullman St.

10i CC August 18, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and moved to take the item up collectively with Item #6a.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the following Speaker:

- 1. Fran Hollins, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of the item**

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who discussed traffic and speed data on Mountain St. West.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the WPD Sergeant, who discussed traffic issues on Mountain St. West.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who discussed the installation of statutory speed limit signs on Mountain St. West.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera brought forth the following Chairman's Order: Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility install statutory speed limit signage on Mountain St. West.

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

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

Chairman's Orders

Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility install statutory speed limit signage on Mountain St. West.

6. Traffic Sign Petitions

- a. Councilor Tony Economou on behalf of Ronald Prapuolenis request installation of "Thickly Settled" signage on Mountain St. West in the vicinity of West Boylston St. and Pullman St.

10h CC August 18, 2026

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #5d)

- b. Councilor Jenny Pacillo request installation of traffic calming signage at the intersection of Saxon Rd. and Westbrook Rd.

9n CC October 21, 2025

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

- 1. Mary Sullivan, Worcester resident, spoke neither in favor nor opposed to the item

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as the City Council has ordained a Stop sign on Saxon Rd. at Westbrook Rd. and the sign work order is pending with DPW.

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

7. No Parking Petitions

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

9q CC September 9, 2025

In Committee February 25, 2026 - Held

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

- 1. Mexhite Beqiri, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to the item
- 2. Emma Duprey, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of the item

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Ojeda, who discussed parking challenges on Norwood St. and plans related to holding a neighborhood meeting regarding the proposal.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who discussed on-street parking related to the street width and provided the recommendation to hold the item for further discussion at neighborhood meeting.

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

- b. John R. Yanczewski request installation of "No Parking 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday to Friday" signage on Ward St. between Richland St. and Dorchester St.

7u CC May 19, 2026

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

1. John Yanczewski, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of the item

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Ojeda, who discussed traffic challenges related to students pick-up and drop-off for Learning First Charter School.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to hold, as more discussion with the school is needed.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Ojeda, who discussed the feasibility of making Dorchester St. one-way with Speaker #1 and 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

- c. Francel Hollins et al. request installation of resident permit parking on the odd side of Providence St. from Dorchester St. to South St. Further, request installation of No Parking Anytime signage on the even side of Providence St. from Dorchester St. to South St. (Amended August 19, 2026)

20p CC June 2, 2026

In Committee August 19, 2026 - Held

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

1. Fran Hollins, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of the item

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as the street was intentionally designed to accommodate parking on the west side and the proposed alternate configuration would be potentially less safe as well as complicating snow removal, along with an estimated implementation cost of around \$15,000.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved for a roll call vote to

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

- d. Jillian St. Pierre request removal of "No Parking Anytime" restriction on Theodore Tonna St.

9d CC July 21, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Principal Staff Assistant, who discussed the public testimony submitted via email with the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as the south side of the street is a buffered street level bike lane that doubles as a fire access lane and was specifically designed to not accommodate parking to provide for necessary fire access.

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

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 1 Nay

- e. Councilor John P. Fresolo on behalf of Devan Wilson request "No Parking Anytime" signage on the even side of McGill St. be removed.

9b CC August 18, 2026

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

1. Laurie Gabriela, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to the item
2. Ann Lemon, 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 street is not wide enough to accommodate parking on both sides and allow for two-way motor vehicle traffic and emergency vehicle access.

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

8. Stop Sign Petitions

- a. Francis Dufault request installation of a four-way stop sign at the intersection of Grove St. and Chester St.

8d CC June 23, 2026

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

- 1. Martina Falco, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of the item**

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as the intersection is under the jurisdiction and control of MassDOT.

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. Councilor Tony Economou request installation of a stop sign and stop bar on Pasadena Pkwy. at its intersection with Tacoma St.

9d CC August 18, 2026

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

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

Chairperson Councilor Rivera 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

- c. Sheryl Reidy request installation of stop signage on Leeds St. at its intersection with Fales St.

9u CC August 18, 2026

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

- 1. Sheryl Reidy, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of the item**

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to approve for the installation of a stop sign facing Leeds St.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved to take up the item collectively with Item #13a.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who discussed findings from evaluation of the street and recommend file for Item #13a, as Fales St. is not a speed hump candidate due to the steepness of the roadway grade

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. William A. Soucy request installation of stop signage on Lakewood St. at its intersection with Baker St.

10c CC August 18, 2026

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

1. William Soucy, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of the item
2. Arsen Ohanesian, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of the item
3. Robin Belargin, Worcester resident, spoke in favor of the item

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved to take the item up collectively with Items #8e and #8f.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to approve for installation of stop signs facing Baker St., Elmer St., and Manomet St.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Speaker #1, who discussed the recommendation with the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Ojeda, who discussed speeding issues on Lakewood St.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the WPD Sergeant, who discussed when traffic issues occur the most frequently on the street with Speaker #1.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Principal Staff Assistant, who discussed speed humps petition for Lakewood St.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera brought forth two (2) Chairman's Orders: 1) Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility install Do Not Enter signage on Lakewood St. at its intersecting roadways of Baker St., Elmer St. and Manomet St.; and 2) Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility install statutory No Parking zone signage on Lakewood St. at each of its intersecting roadways of Baker St., Elmer St. and Manomet St.

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 (Bilotta absent)

Chairman's Orders

Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility install Do Not Enter signage on Lakewood St. at its intersecting roadways of Baker St., Elmer St. and Manomet St.

Request City Manager request Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility install statutory No Parking zone signage on Lakewood St. at each of its intersecting roadways of Baker St., Elmer St. and Manomet St.

- e. William A. Soucy request installation of stop signage on Lakewood St. at its intersection with Elmer St.

10d CC August 18, 2026

Recommend Approval on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Bilotta absent) (see Item #8d)

- f. William A. Soucy request installation of stop signage on Lakewood St. at its intersection with Manomet St.

10e CC August 18, 2026

Recommend Approval on a roll call vote of 2 Yeas and 0 Nays (Bilotta absent) (See Item #8d)

9. Traffic Control Signal Petitions

- a. Kim Ashe request installation of a green right arrow on Stafford St. at its intersection with James St.

20m CC June 2, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, the right turn is shared with a through bike lane and it is not permissible to provide a green right turn arrow at the same time as bikes having a red light for through movements from the same lane.

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. Thomas Vincent request the traffic lights at the intersection of Shore Dr. and Norton Dr. be reviewed for the purpose of extending the Shore Dr. light turning onto Norton Dr.

9x CC August 18, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as the intersection is under the jurisdictional control of the MassDOT.

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. Thomas Vincent request the green left turn signal on Shore Dr. at its intersection with Holden St. be extended.

9z CC August 18, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as there are plans to update the timing for the traffic lights.

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

10. Traffic Lane Reconfiguration Petitions

- a. Mike Rejaey request installation of a designated right turn lane on Bigelow Davis Parkway at its intersection with Lake Ave.

7g CC June 16, 2026

Chairperson Councilor Rivera read the item and recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file, as the redesign of the intersection is underway and lane configuration changes will be recommended once a design approach is selected.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Bilotta, who discussed obtaining fundings for the project.

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

11. Resident Permit Parking Items

- a. Councilor Jose A. Rivera on behalf of Caitlyn Austin request installation of resident permit parking on Beaver Brook Pkwy.

7q CC July 21, 2026

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

- 1. Nash Brayton, Worcester resident, spoke neither in favor nor opposed to the item**
- 2. Karen Villar, Worcester resident, spoke neither in favor nor opposed to the item**
- 3. Quanh Lieu, Worcester resident, spoke neither in favor nor opposed to the item**
- 4. Kris (No last name given), Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to the item**

Chairperson Councilor Rivera discussed the intent of the petition, the Resident Permit Parking (RPP) program, other tools to address parking issues and reporting issues related to overnight parking with Speaker #1 and the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized Councilor Ojeda, who discussed addressing issues related to overnight parking on the street.

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

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

12. Turn Prohibition Petitions

- a. Councilor Tony Economou request installation of “No Left Turn” signage on Grove St. for access to Lansing Ave.

8c CC May 19, 2026

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

- 1. Sheila Henry, Worcester resident, spoke neither in favor nor opposed to the item**
- 2. Michael Aramo, Worcester resident, spoke neither in favor nor opposed to the item**
- 3. Shaun Connolly, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to the item**
- 4. No name given, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to the item**
- 5. No name given, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to the item**
- 6. Serenity Jacques, Worcester resident, spoke neither in favor nor opposed to the item**
- 7. Amy Hall, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to the item**
- 8. Fabienne Charlemagne, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to the item**
- 9. Christina Burns, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to the item**
- 10. Stephanie (No last name given), Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to the item**
- 11. Patrick Collins, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to the item**
- 12. Mary Lesch, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to the item**
- 13. Donna (No last name given), Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to the item**
- 14. Michael O’Brien, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to the item**
- 15. Roxanne Stark, Worcester resident, spoke in opposition to the item**

Chairperson Councilor Rivera moved to take the item up collectively with Item #12b.

Chairperson Councilor Rivera recognized the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility, who provided the recommendation to file the item, as Grove St. north of Nelson Pl. is under MassDOT jurisdiction and there needs to be a comprehensive review of the area in order to address traffic issues in the area.

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. Councilor Tony Economou request installation of “No Left Turn” signage on Holden St. for access to Lansing Ave.

8d CC May 19, 2026

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #12a)

13. Miscellaneous

- a. Petition of Councilor Kathleen M. Toomey on behalf of Catherine Flagg request Fales St. at its intersection with Leeds St. be reviewed for speed calming measures, including the potential for the installation of speed humps and additional stop signs.

7x CC May 19, 2026

Recommend File on a roll call vote of 3 Yeas and 0 Nays (See Item #8c)

14. Communications of the City Manager

- a. Recommending adoption of the proposed ordinance amendment to establish a tow zone on portions of Albany Street and Fantasia Drive.

11.11C CM August 18, 2026

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 discussed whether the proposed tow zones will affect the businesses on the street with the Commissioner of Transportation and Mobility and Councilor Bilotta.

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