

# City of Waltham Traffic Commission

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## SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION Held: THURSDAY, JULY 29, 2021 @ 10:00 AM Government Center Auditorium at 119 School Street

#### 1A. Phantom Gourmet Food Festival:

Tina Schindler, Director of Special Projects for Phantom Gourmet was present to discuss their proposed plan for this event which will be held on Saturday, September 25, 2021 with VIP admission at 11:30 AM and regular admission at noon. This event will end at 3:00 PM.

The Commission previously voted in support of this event and the following request: Moody Street will be closed from the Charles River bridge to the Maple/High St. intersection starting at 6:00 AM on Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup> and will end at 6:00 PM. All side streets entering Moody Street will be blocked off. The intersection at Crescent/Pine St. will open as soon as the conditions allow, possibly around 4:00 PM. This is a ticketed event with a limited the number of tickets sold to attendees at least 21 years of age. Police details will be at various locations to assist with traffic. Temporary No Parking placards will be installed on the night of Friday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. A sign should be located at Crescent/Prospect/Maple to indicate Moody Street closure. Detour signs need to be included so motorist know how to get around the affected area. Assistance for residents on the Moody Street side streets must be addressed. The Embassy parking facility should be utilized and electronic message boards should be considered.

Voted to request Phantom Gourmet to respond to these comments and approved the request.

#### 1B. 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Mental Health Awareness Event:

Ivy Watts-Calixte, Waltham Partnership for Youth Program Coordinator is requesting 60 parking passes for vendors and volunteers on the upper level of Central Square Parking Deck. This event will be held on Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM. The rain date will be Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup>.

Ms. Ivy Watts-Calixte appeared on behalf of this request and asked for free parking at the Central Square Parking Deck. Voted to approve this request and allow free parking for 60 vendors and volunteers on the upper level of the Central Square Deck Only. The petitioner will supply them with a parking pass identifying them as belonging to this event.

### 1C. Regulations due to Medians Railroad Crossings.

The Clerk of the Traffic Commission requested a vote for the specific regulations concerning the four railroad crossings that had been previously approved on June 4, 2021. This will assist with enforcement purposes.

- 1: Beaver Street: Left Turn Prohibitions (includes No U-Turn)
- 2: Moody Street: Left Turn Prohibitions (includes No U-Turn)
- 3: Sawyer Road: Left Turn Prohibitions (includes No U-Turn)
- 4: South Street: Left Turn Prohibitions (includes No U-Turn)

Attendance: all members except Mr. Kelly. Mayor McCarthy, Councillor Harris, Lt. Deveney; Ms. Tina Schindler, Mr. Doug Waybright, Ms. Ivy Watts.

Adjourned @ 10:51 am

Respectfully Submitted

Frank S. Lombardo Clerk, Traffic Commission