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Town of Belmont

Traffic Advisory Committee (T.A.C)

Meeting Minutes: October 8, 2015

Present: Linda Nickens (Chair), Larry Macdonald (Vice Chair), Tomi Olson, Peter Curro, Matt Sullivan, and Joe Griffin.

Ex-Officio Members Present: Glenn Clancy (Town Engineer), Sergeant Ben Mailhot (Belmont Police)

Others Present: Elizabeth George, 32 Middlecot Street; Valerie Gibson, 44 Chilton Street; Nancy Ganjian, 9 Chilton Street; Jackie Hardy, 3 Exeter Street; William Osterhaus, 35 Cowdin Street; Jim Garber, 30 Cowdin Street; Edward Woo, 5 Audubon Lane; Virginia Williams, 12 Cowdin Street; Mary Alice Sarni, 25 Hurley Street; Barbara Garber, 30 Cowdin Street; Terri Osterhaus, 35 Cowdin Street; Arlene Taylor, 268 Brighton Street; Steve Ganak, 11 Hurley Street.

Linda Nickens called the meeting to order at 7:05PM.

The minutes for the August, 13 2015 Meeting were approved.

Do Not Enter Restrictions from Brighton Street

Glenn Clancy presented initial comments about the proposed turning restrictions on Brighton Street. Bill Osterhaus is in favor of the restrictions for safety reasons. Arlene Taylor complained about the gridlock which means that she cannot get out of her driveway and questioned the need to use the sidestreets to bypass traffic on Brighton Street. Linda Nickens said that it would be nice if we could get this traffic to stay on Route 2. Sgt. Mailhot and Peter Curro then led a discussion about the history of the truck ban on Brighton Street. A night ban on heavy commercial traffic went into effect on October 11, 1979. During the 1980's a full time ban went into effect when the new Alewife Bridge reopened. Steve Ganak spoke about volume and speed as safety concerns and is in favor of the restrictions. Jim Garber also spoke in favor of the proposed turn restrictions as well. Mary Alice Sarni expressed concerns about motorists using the neighborhood

streets as a cut through to Pleasant Street, Prospect Street and the Belmont Hill School. Questions were raised about police enforcement of these restrictions. Sgt. Mailhot gave a summary of how difficult it can be to enforce these restrictions. However, the police do try to enforce on new restrictions put in place after they take effect.

Joe Griffin moved that “No Right Turn Restrictions from Brighton Street to Chilton Street, Cowdin Street and Hurley Street between 7AM and 9M” be approved. Larry Macdonald seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by TAC.

A 6 month trial will be in place then reviewed.

The truck restriction status on Brighton Street will be looked into.

The sign at Middlecot Street and Hurley Street will stay the same: 8AM to 9AM.

Exeter Street at Belmont Street: Parking Restriction

Jackie Hardy, resident, complained about access to her driveway and parking on both sides of Exeter Street. Construction on Belmont Street has made the situation on Exeter Street worse. New bumpouts have forced people to park further down the street. Glenn Clancy did acknowledge congestion on both sides of the street. There are curbs on both sides at Oxford Avenue and new curbing near Belmont Street.

Joe Griffin moved that a “No Parking Restriction on one side of Exeter Street approximately 100 feet back from Belmont Street” be placed in effect. Matt Sullivan seconded.

It was unanimously passed by TAC.

Agassiz Street Parking Restriction:

After a brief discussion about the narrow roadway and tight corners, safety issues for ambulances and patient transport vehicles and its proximity to the Belmont Manor Nursing Home:

Joe Griffin moved that a “No Parking to Corner 20 feet from both the Trapelo Road and Agassiz Avenue ends of Agassiz Street” be put into effect. Larry Macdonald seconded the motion.

It was passed unanimously.

Audubon Lane No Left Turn Restriction Change:

Edward Woo, an Audubon Lane resident has requested that the No Left Turn Except for Trucks sign be changed by adding and Abutters to make it easier for residents to access Audubon Lane. Glenn Clancy, Linda Nickens and Sgt. Mailhot all spoke against the proposal. It would illegal and unenforceable. Also, It was said that the intersection of Concord Avenue and Mill Street is under consideration for study and reconstruction. It was explained to Mr. Woo that a previous plan had been turned down by residents of Audubon Lane some years ago. No action taken.

4Way Stop Sign Discussion:

The following intersections are to be evaluated:

Oakley Road and Payson Road

Oakley Road and Cushing Avenue

Blake Street:

No Action needed

Baker Street:

Letter to residents sent explaining parking requirements on Baker Street.

Safe Routes:

Tomi Olson is the representative for TAC on the Safe Routes Committee.

Election of Officers:

The following Officers were nominated and elected by the Traffic Advisory Committee:

Chair: Joseph Griffin

Vice Chair: Laurence P. Macdonald

Clerk: Dana Miller

The Meeting adjourned at 8:30PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurence P. Macdonald, Acting Clerk



Traffic Advisory Committee

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Linda Nickens, Chair
Laurence Macdonald, Vice Chair
Dana Miller, Clerk

Peter Curro
Joseph Griffin
Donald Mercier
Tommasina Olson
Matt Sullivan

Date: September 30, 2015

To: Members – Traffic Advisory Committee

From: Linda Nickens, Chair

Subject: Agenda for Meeting on **Thursday, October 8, 2015 at 7:00 PM** in **Town Hall Conference Room 2**. If you cannot attend the meeting, please contact Linda via e-mail.

7:00 – 7:05 Minutes (August 13, 2015)

7:05 – 7:45 Public Hearing – Proposed Do Not Enter Restrictions

- Chilton Street, Cowdin Street and Hurley Street
 - Add new turn restriction from Brighton Street – 7am - 9am
- Middlecot Street at Hurley Street
 - Change current start time restriction from 8 am to 7 am

7:45 – 8:00 Requests for Parking Restrictions

- Agassiz Street at Trapelo Road
- Exeter Street at Belmont Street

8:00 – 8:15 Four Way Stop Discussion

8:15 – 8:30 Old Business

- Blake Street Update (Davis)
- Baker Street Letter
- Other (No Known Items)

8:30 – 8:40 New Business

- Vote for Officers
- Audubon Lane – Request for Turn Exemption
- Other (No Known Items)

8:40 Adjourn

Cc: Board of Selectmen – Jim Williams
David Kale, Town Administrator
Glenn R. Clancy, Town Engineer
Sgt Ben Mailhot, Belmont Police Department
Richard McLaughlin, Belmont Police Chief
Jay Marcotte, Director, Department of Public Works
Karl Haglund, Planning Board

COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT

1 March 2015

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Town of Belmont
Office of Community Development
Homer Municipal Building
Belmont, Ma. 02478-0900

ATTENTION: Glenn R. Clancy
SUBJECT: Cut-Thru Traffic Middlecot St.

Dear Mr. Clancy:

Pleasure meeting with you last Thursday. I've been a resident of Belmont for 66 years growing up on Bacon Rd., married living on Alma Ave. and for 30 years presiding at Middlecot St. I have 5 children all attended Belmont Schools, but now all living on their own.

I fully realize the traffic issues in Belmont as well as most communities in around Boston. No easy fix. But recently, and not because of these crazy snow storms, there is developing traffic pattern that I believe could easily be remedied. The Town should always do their best to keep cars and truck on main roads and not on neighborhood streets.

As you know on school days there is a "DO NOT ENTER" sign at the end of Middlecot between 8:00 and 9:00 AM. This stop, I believe, was created to protect the morning kids going to the Winnbrook School- works quite well.

Over the last 6 months or so, drivers between 7:00 and 8:00 AM, when traffic jams from the light on Cross and Brighton back to Chilton, some drivers have circumvented Brighton by exiting right off Brighton on to Chilton, then left on to Middlecot, over to Waterhouse all the way down to and then left on Statler Rd. back on to Brighton. Sounds like a lot of driving, but you will get well ahead of the traffic by driving on these streets to get off the main road of Brighton. These roads are not set-up to handle drivers whom are in such a rush to get where they're going they end up putting residents at risk.

The simple solution would be to change the sign on Middlecot to no entry 7 to 9 AM. By doing so, traffic must stay on Brighton or remain on Route 2.

In a more complicated decision a no entry on Waterhouse off Cross between 7 and 9 AM could also solve this issue. I'm sure the residents of Chilton, Monroe, Middlecot, Waterhouse and Statler would welcome this change.

If either suggestion is implemented it would protect the homeowners from this side street danger of autos exiting a main road and entering a neighborhood.

I greatly appreciated your time to consider this change.

Sincerely,

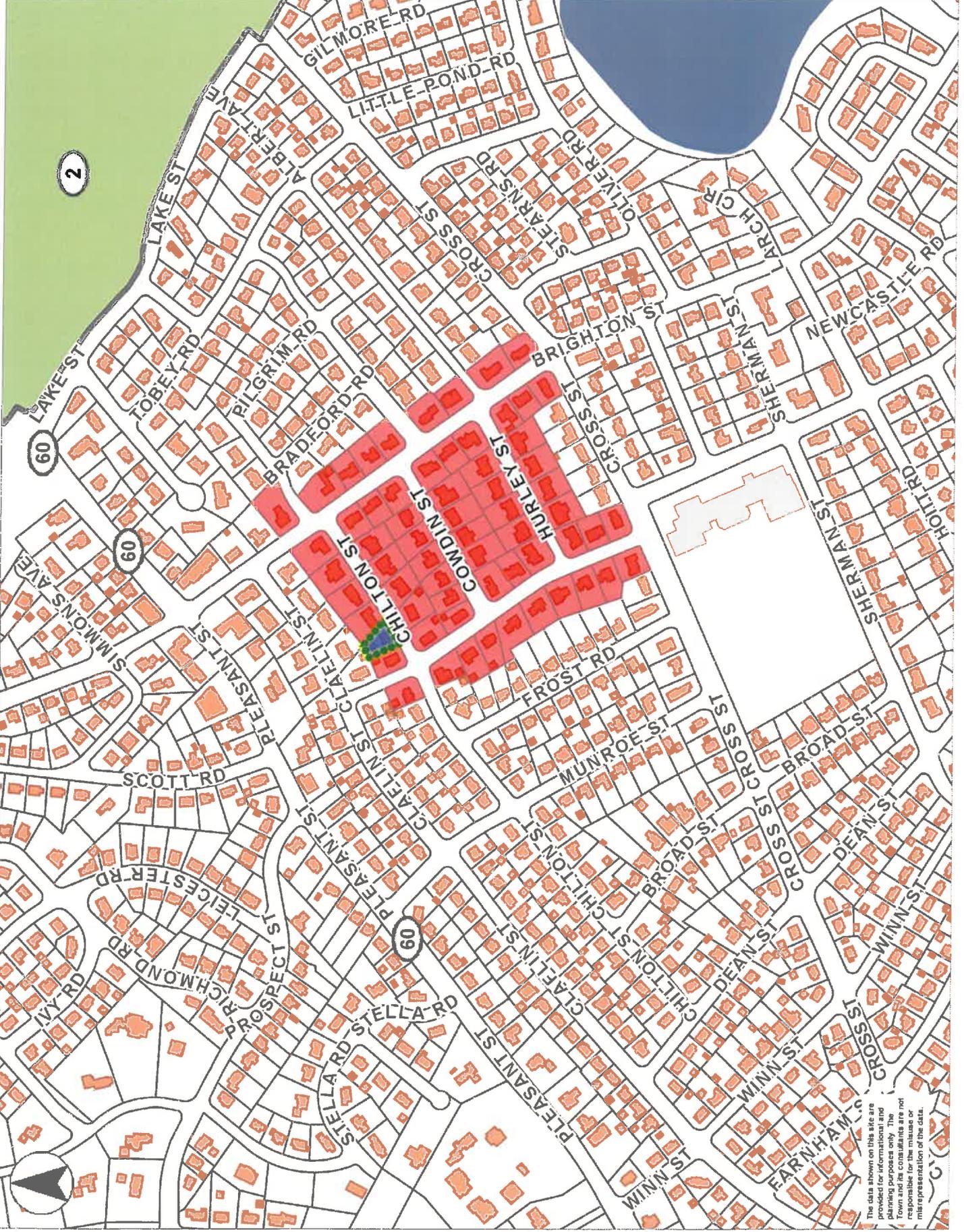
John M. Caputo

37 Middlecot St.
Belmont, Ma. 02478

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- McClean Buildings
- Buildings
- Parcels
- Town Boundary
- MA Highways
- Interstate
- US Highway
- Numbered Routes
- Charles_park
- Charles_arc
- Abutting Town Labels
- Abutting Towns
- Roads
- Major Road, Collector
- Minor Road, Arterial



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OKELLY TE JOSEPH
MARGUERITE C LARKIN
29 CHILTON ST
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 44-52
CURRO TE PETER
ANNE M CURRO
236 BRIGHTON ST
BELMONT, MA 02478

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JOHNSTON TE LAWRENCE W
CAROL A JOHNSON
22 CHILTON ST
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OUZOUNIAN TC SOUREN
ANNE MARIE GRIGORIAN
15 CHILTON ST
BELMONT, MA 02478

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NANCY GANJIAN
9 CHILTON ST
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KUEL YUAN LIN
200 CROSS ST
BELMONT, MA 02478

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THE MIDDLECOT STREET
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BELMONT, MA 02478

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LAI FAMILY IRREVOCABLE
18 HURLEY ST
BELMONT, MA 02478

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PAPAZIAN TRS KOHAR
KEIKIAN REVOCABLE FAMILY
24 COWDIN ST
BELMONT, MA 02478

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APARNA MUJUMDAR
38 COWDIN ST
BELMONT, MA 02478

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BELMONT, MA 02478

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ANTOINETTA APPUGLIESE
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VIVIEN S BUTLER
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HOLLY L TALANIAN
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BERNAZANI PHYLLIS A
33 HURLEY ST
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MARY M CELI IRREVOCABLE
17 HURLEY ST
BELMONT, MA 02478

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JON M SCORZATO
280 BRIGHTON ST
BELMONT, MA 02478

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QILUN LIU
303 BRIGHTON ST
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CURTIN TE TIMOTHY M
NANCY F CURTIN
281 BRIGHTON ST
BELMONT, MA 02478

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PATRICIA M CURRO
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BELMONT, MA 02478

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ELIZABETH LEE GEORGE
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ARLENE C TAYLOR
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YUAN GAO
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ROBIN AMIRI BUSCH
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SANDRA J CAPUTO
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YOULA F HANA
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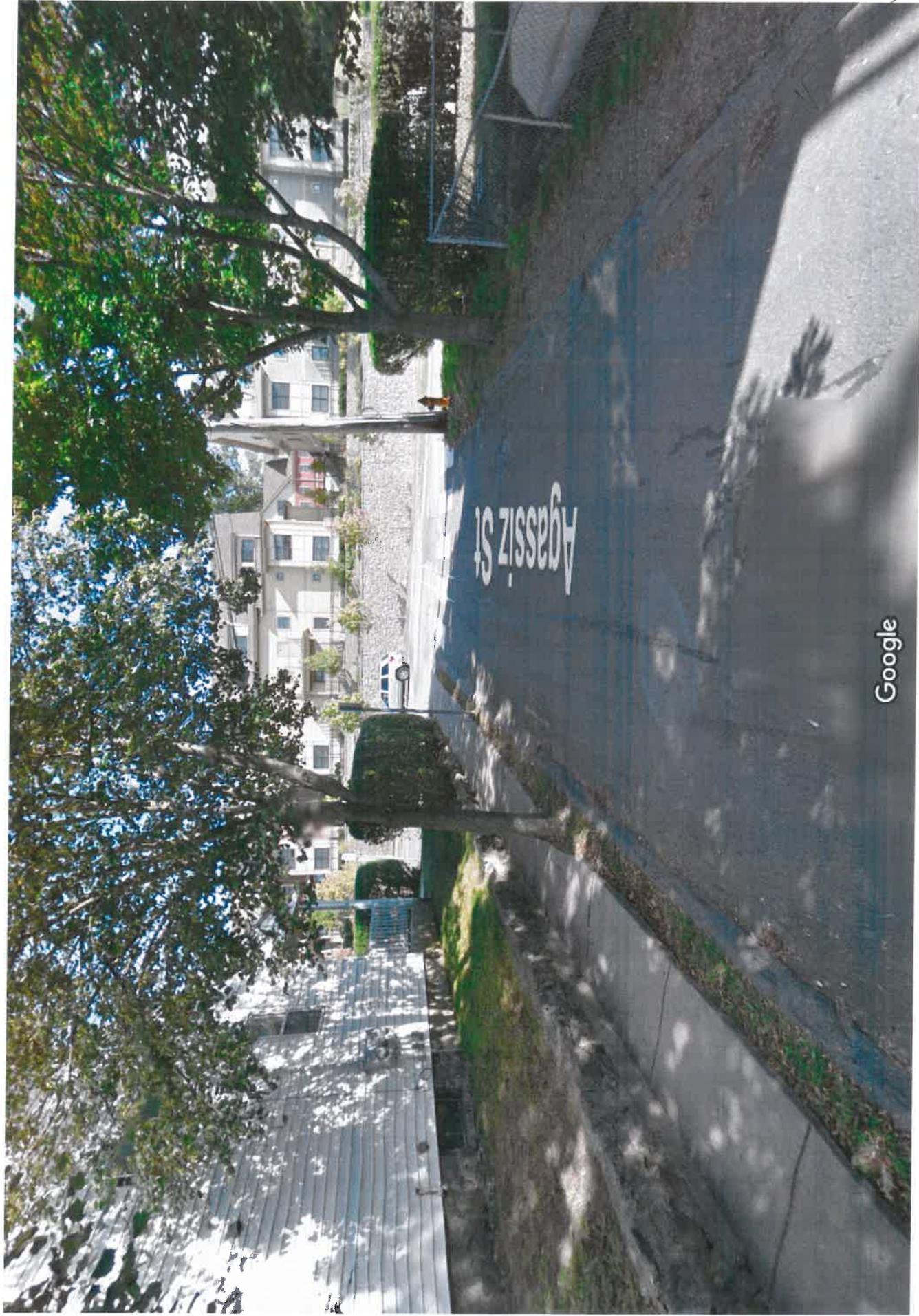
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JACQUELYN A BRADLEY
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BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 45-87
MCINNIS TRS ATHENA
ATHENA REALTY TRUST
291 BRIGHTON ST
BELMONT, MA 02478







Arlene Davis

9/16/2015

Hi, Arlene:
I'm glad I reached you at the
correct e-mail address.

Here's the report, at long last.
I wish you'd be able to work a copy in
sheet & thumbnail get sheet.
Start with some graphics, the
main text says the words a
reference for safety.
Arlene

off10

From: "off10" <off10@verizon.net>
Date: Monday, July 13, 2015 2:37 PM
To: <danamiller@gmail.com>
Subject: TAC Requested Review

To: Dana Miller, Recording Secretary, TAC
From: Arline Davis, 18 Blake St., Belmont

At your request as TAC Recording Secretary, this is a one month review following a parking restriction sign installed on 6/12 at the frontage of my property.

There has been parking restriction compliance by members of the Belmont Tennis Club since that date. There has been more regular parking alongside the property of the club, at its own parking area and other spaces close by.

There has been no retaliatory activity to my property, nor to me personally. There has been positive reaction in the neighborhood.

The sign provides what is needed for safe access for emergency and other vehicles at a pinch point where a tree leans into the roadway. The sign is well placed and works well where there is sufficient clearance.

I understand this review is to be given to TAC Committee members; and forwarded to BOS Jim Williams, Town Engineer Glenn Clancy, and PD Sgt. Mailhot on the basis it meets what is helpful to TAC.

I especially am thankful for all the help you've given to me. I will keep TAC informed as needed for parking in a residential area by The Belmont Tennis Club members for its 6 month season.

Arline Davis

10/8/15

August 25, 2015

DRAFT

Re: Speeding on Baker Street

Dear Baker Street Resident:

The Office of Community Development recently received a complaint regarding speeding on Baker Street. This is not the first time such a complaint has been made. The Belmont Police Department is committed to doing speed enforcement as resources allow.

I am writing to address how vehicles are parked on the roadway. A single white edge line has been applied to each side of the road. The purpose of the line is to delineate the edge of road from the sidewalk. Parking a vehicle on the sidewalk side of the line is a violation of the law against parking on the sidewalk but also, parking in this manner leaves the full width of Baker Street wide open for vehicles to speed up and down. Parking on the street side of the edge line will help slow traffic down by forcing motorists to be careful while passing parked vehicles.

Please consider parking on the street side of the edge line to help mitigate potential speeding on Baker Street. Also, please be mindful of another vehicles parked directly across the road; it is imperative for public safety reasons that enough width be left to allow an emergency vehicle to pass.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Glenn R. Clancy, P.E.
Director
Town Engineer

Cc: Sgt Ben Mailhot, Belmont Police Depart, Traffic Division
Traffic Advisory Committee