



# CITY OF BEACON New York

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

845-838-5010

## MEMORANDUM

**TO: Mayor Casale and Members of the City Council of the City of Beacon**

**FROM: Anthony Ruggiero, MPA, City Administrator**

**RE: Proposed Changes to the City Code**

**DATE: November 7, 2019**

The Traffic and Safety Committee (the “Committee”) reviewed a number of Traffic and Safety related issues and make the following recommendations to the City Council.

- 1. Cross Street and West Church Street:** The Committee received a request to review the intersection at Cross Street and West Church Street. Over the course of the next three months the City Police Department monitored the location. At their October 24<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Committee made the following recommendations:
  - Codify existing *No Parking* signs on the east side of Cross Street from Main Street to West Church Street.
  - Codify and install *No Parking* signs on the east side of Cross Street 65 feet north from West Church Street.
- 2. Grove Street and Liberty Street:** The Committee received a request to study the intersection of Grove Street and Liberty Street from a resident on September 25<sup>th</sup>. The Police Department monitored the area and the Committee examined crash data. At their October 24<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Committee made the following recommendations:
  - Add *Stop* signs on Liberty Street at the northwest and southeast corners of the Grove Street and Liberty Street intersection. Doing so would make this intersection a 3-way stop.
  - Codify the existing *Stop* sign on Grove Street at the Grove Street and Liberty Street intersection.



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3. **East End of Main Street:** The Committee received a request to review the east end of Main Street. After studying the City Code and examining crash data, the Committee made the following four recommendations that will result in a net gain of one parking space.
  - Codify existing *No Parking* signs on the east side of Main Street from a point 105 feet north of the intersection of East Main Street to the intersection of Herbert Street.
  - Extend the *No Parking* zone, by 25 feet, on the west side of Main Street from Verplanck Avenue to a point 145 north. In practice, parking is not prohibited on the entire block because there is a sign that reads *No Parking Between Signs* and another at the other end of the block that reads *No Parking Here to Corner*. The accompanying sign that reads *No Parking Between Signs* was removed when Melzingah Tap House constructed a parking lot and it was taken down and never replaced. By extending the *No Parking* zone beyond the parking lot entrance, the City would create three new parking spaces between the second sign that reads *No Parking Between Signs* and the sign that reads *No Parking Here to Corner*.
  - Codify existing *No Parking* signs on the west side of Main Street to a point 103 feet north of North Street.
  - Add *No Parking* signs on the west side of Main Street from Verplanck Avenue to a point 95 feet south in order to improve limited visibility. Doing so would remove two parking spaces.
  
4. **Commerce Street Parking:** The Committee reviewed a complaint from a resident regarding parking on Commerce Street during their September 30<sup>th</sup> meeting. In order to improve obstructed ingress and egress to a driveway, the Committee made the following recommendation at their October 24<sup>th</sup> meeting:
  - Extend the *No Parking* zone on the south side of Commerce Street from 75 feet east of fire hydrant No. 11 Commerce Street to a point 110 feet west. Doing so would eliminate three parking spaces.