



TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

7 Twin Circle Drive, Arlington, MA 02474

To: Board of Selectmen, Arlington, Mass

From: Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)

Subject: Brackett School Crosswalk Safety Improvements

Date: October 28, 2010

Brackett School Principal Stephanie Zerchykov and Brackett parents requested that the TAC look at ways to increase pedestrian visibility and driver awareness of pedestrians at the Eastern Avenue crosswalk connecting the main entrance of Brackett School and Robbins Farm Park. Officer Corey Rateau and TAC Associate Member John Lentz evaluated the site and made the following recommendations. The TAC voted these recommendations at a special meeting on October 27, 2010.

Recommendations:

1. Install "NO PARKING BETWEEN SIGNS" signs 20 feet on either side of the painted crosswalk on the park side of Eastern Ave.
2. Install "NO PARKING -►" sign 20 feet east of the painted crosswalk (with directional arrow pointing west) on the school side of Eastern Ave.
3. Remove the "PICK UP AND DROP OFF ONLY" sign approximately 10 feet east of the crosswalk on the school side of Eastern Ave.

Installation of these signs would result in the loss of three parking spaces on Eastern Ave. but greatly improve pedestrian visibility and safety at this location. It is highly desirable that these signs be placed in the next few weeks before the start of winter weather conditions.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Maxtutis and Ed Starr – TAC Co-Chairs

Transportation Advisory Committee Members:

Elisabeth Carr-Jones, Jean Clark, Steve Kurland, Officer Corey Rateau, Jeff Maxtutis, Howard Muise, Michael Rademacher, Scott Smith, Edward Starr, Richard Turcotte, and Laura Wiener

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