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MEMORANDUM

TO: Thomas A. Golden, Jr., City Manager 

FROM: Yovani Baez-Rose, Interim Assistant City Manager/DPD Director

CC: Elizabeth Oltman, PE, Transportation Engineer
Alan Heredia, Assistant Transportation Engineer

SUBJECT: MOTION OF 5/17/2022 – Councilor Robinson – Request City Manager Have The Proper Department Look into Adjusting Traffic Light At Bridge Street and VFW.

The City Transportation Engineer evaluated the traffic signal timing, pedestrian crossing timing and existing signage at the intersection of Bridge Street / VFW Highway and the adjacent intersection of Lakeview Avenue / VFW Highway during the weekday morning peak commuter hour on Thursday, September 22, 2022. This intersection is under the jurisdiction of MassDOT and the intersection traffic signal was reconstructed within the past five years to address safety concerns, replace the traffic signal equipment, and install pedestrian signal indications and ADA-compliant pedestrian detection push buttons.

The pedestrian crossing indications run concurrently with the vehicular traffic through movement indications. All of the pedestrian push buttons were operational at the time of inspection. The appropriate “Turning Vehicles MUST Yield to Pedestrians” signs were present and in good condition. The Walk/Don’t Walk pedestrian crossing time was sufficient for the several pedestrians observed using the crosswalks.

Please note that the District 4 traffic signal maintenance engineer was in the City on 9/20/2022 performing regular maintenance on the MassDOT jurisdiction intersections and timing adjustments may have been done at this time.

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