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September 23, 2026

The next meeting of the Watertown Traffic Commission will be held on Wednesday September 30, 2026 in the Lower Hearing Room, 149 Main Street, Watertown, MA at 1:30 p.m. The following items are on the agenda for discussion:

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approve the minutes of the June 24, 2026 Commission meeting.
4. Request by Ms. Vicki Rowland of Berkeley Street to restrict one parking space in front of 17 Berkeley Street to Handicap Parking Only.
5. Request by Ms. Debra Tirrell, Practice Manager of Beth Israel Lahey Health Watertown Primary Care located in the Riverworks Building, 480 Pleasant Street to restrict two parking spaces in front of 480 Pleasant Street to Handicap Parking Only.
6. Request by Mr. Jeff Gaglione, Principal of Watertown Middle School for the following:
 - a. Remove from Article VII, Section 26, Do Not Enter Westminster Ave at Bemis Street in a southerly direction from 7:30AM-4:00PM when school is in session.
 - b. Remove from Schedule I, Parking, Westminster Avenue, east side from a point 40' south of the crosswalk at Bemis Street to a point 20' south of the crosswalk at Bemis Street, No Parking Police Vehicles Only When School is in Session.
 - c. Remove from Schedule I, Parking, Westminster Avenue, east side from a point 450' south of Bemis Street to a point 219' south of Bemis Street, No Parking Bus Stop from 8:00AM-3:30PM When School is in Session.
 - d. Remove from Article VII Section 26, Do Not Enter Linden Street from Waverley Avenue in a westerly direction from 7:30AM-4:00PM when school is in session, except residents.
7. Request by Mr. Joel Giacobozzi, Principal of Watertown High School for the following:
 - a. Add to Schedule I Parking, and Appendix 3 Miscellaneous Signs of the Traffic rules and Orders, Columbia Street south side, one parking space immediately east of the crosswalk at 50 Columbia Street to No Parking Police Vehicles Only When School is in Session.
 - b. Add to Schedule I Parking and amend Appendix 6 HP Parking Zones of the Traffic Rules and Orders, Columbia Street south side, two parking spaces immediately west of the crosswalk at 50 Columbia Street to Handicap Only Parking.
 - c. Add to Schedule I, Parking, Columbia Street south side, from a point 42 feet east of Common Street to a point 107 feet east of Common Street, No Parking Drop-off and Pick-Up Only, 7:30am-2:30pm When School is in Session.
8. Request by MBTA Project Manager Ms. Eileen Botti for proposed street design and traffic control improvements to improve safety for all users on Galen Street at Technology Way.



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9. Request by MBTA Project Manager Ms. Eileen Botti for proposed street design and traffic control improvements to improve safety for all users on Galen Street at Watertown Square Busway.
10. New Business

Respectfully Submitted,
Sgt. D. Sampson