

ANNUAL MEETING OF CCV, APRIL 17, 2017

REPORT OF THE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE, BY PORTER WHEELER, CHAIR

The Traffic Committee (TC) had only informal discussions during the second half of 2016, primarily to keep current on the status of the pedestrian crossing installation by SHA on Connecticut Avenue at Lenox Street. As expected, the flashing warning lights seem to have limited effectiveness. TC members feel that they may even give a false confidence to pedestrians since they do not stop traffic and are not expected or well understood by drivers.

In early 2017, the TC became aware of a petition, dated December 21, 2016, made directly to the Board of Managers, requesting a waiver of the existing CCV Speed Hump Policy. The TC met on February 7 to discuss the matter and an alternative proposal by Mr. Gary Crockett to instead make substantial amendments to the existing policy.

Later on Mr. Crockett shared with the Board a revised proposal for amendments to the existing policy, and the Board asked the TC for comments on same. The TC met again on March 22 to conduct an extensive discussion of the specific amendments. We developed our comments, which were unanimously adopted by the TC group present, and submitted them by memorandum to the Board for their April 10 meeting and public hearing on the matter. In short, the TC is comfortable with the existing policy, recommends retention of a vehicle speed criterion, and suggests several improvements that could be made if revisions are undertaken.

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