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MEMORANDUM

TO: Laura Swan, Chair
Transportation Advisory Committee

FROM: Ashley Maher
Office Manager

DATE: November 21, 2022

RE: Traffic Concerns at Multiple Intersections

The Select Board at the meeting of September 12th referred the attached to you for your review and recommendations back to the Board.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

attachment

From: Ken Mattsson <kenmattsson@gmail.com>
To: amaher@town.arlington.ma.us, alexander.franzosa.townmeeting@gmail.com
Date: 08/19/2022 02:16 PM
Subject: Issue with Intersections in Arlington Center with bad sight lines

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Ashley and Alexander,

I have made numerous requests to the Arlington Traffic Department and the Selectperson's office, but I have never once gotten a response. I am hoping that one of you will be able to help move this forward.

I live at 382 Massachusetts Avenue, and as such there are numerous intersections that I use weekly that have such bad sight lines that you cannot see traffic coming from the left. A part of this is that there are parking spaces that are blocking the view of oncoming traffic. There have been numerous times that I have almost been hit because I need to pull out into traffic so far to be able to see if there is traffic or not. This was particularly bad in 2015 when we had snow piled so high that you could not see any cars.

Here are the intersections:

- Pond Lane turning onto Massachusetts Avenue
- Wellington Street turning onto Pleasant Street
- Wyman Street turning onto Warren Street or crossing to Beacon Street

If anyone has investigated this in the past, I have gotten no word that this has been looked into. I would appreciate it if this could be reviewed, (hopefully) some parking spaces that are limiting visibility removed, and for someone to get back to me to let me know the status of this request.

Thank you.

Ken Mattsson

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Ralph Waldo Emerson