To: Members of Council, Town of Pelham and J. Marr, Director, Public Works

Re: 2019 Pedestrian Crossing on Pelham Street, 2019-0125 Public Works

At its December 2, 2019 Policy and Priorities Committee meeting, Council members referred this item to the Pelham Active Transportation Committee for review and comment. The committee members appreciate the opportunity to provide input on this important issue.

The history of the signalized pedestrian crossings on Pelham Street is very familiar to the PATC. Recommendations and concerns were previously identified and communicated to staff and Council. The most recent consultant's report offers additional information and insights regarding ongoing concerns about the pedestrian crossing at the intersection of Church Hill Street and Pelham Street.

At the December 17th meeting of the PATC, members agreed to provide Council with the following recommendations to ongoing concerns at this intersection:

1. Eliminate the two parking spots on the north side of Pelham Street, at this intersection, as per the consultant's recommendation.
2. Change the signage for motorists on Church Hill Street to make it more visible for motorists as they approach the intersection. A flashing light, indicating that the pedestrian signal is in use, could be considered.
3. Eliminate the delay in the crosswalk signal. When a pedestrian presses the button for the signal, the change to the amber light should be instantaneous. The current delay in the signal creates confusion and uncertainty for pedestrians and motorists alike.
4. Full signalization at this intersection would be the ideal solution.

If you require clarification or additional information, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Thank you for considering the input of the Pelham Active Transportation Committee.

Bea Clark, Chair
Pelham Active Transportation Committee

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