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TO: Jeff Ritter, Town Administrator FROM: Matthew J. Stone, Chief of Police

Michael Cassidy, Fire Chief Sean Reese, DPW Director

DATE: Thursday, November 30, 2018

RE: Mudville Traffic Recommendations

On Thursday, November 30, 2018, Police Chief Matthew Stone, Fire Chief Michael Cassidy, and Department of Public Works Director Sean Reese met with the Town Administrator to discuss recommendations to improve pedestrian and motorist safety in the Mudville neighborhood. Based on our lengthy discussion, a review and discussion with the McMahon Transportation Engineers and Planners, a discussion with a representative from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT), and a review of the data collected by the Holliston Police Department, we unanimously present the following recommendations:

- 1) We recommend that the Board of Selectmen take action to adopt the 2017 amended law change under M.G.L. c.90 s.17C which then gives the Board the authority; "in the interests of public safety and without further authority, establish a speed limit of 25 miles per hour on any roadway inside a thickly settled or business district in the city or town on any way that is not a state highway."
- 2) Reduce the speed limit from 30MPH to 25MPH on the following roadways; *Pleasant Street, Spring Street, School Street, Exchange Street, Mechanic Street, and Union Street.*
- 3) Install 25MPH speed limit signs on each of the following roadways; *Pleasant Street* (x4), Spring Street (x2), School Street (x2), Exchange Street (x4), Mechanic Street (x4), and Union Street (x6) **Photos #1, 15**
- 4) Install high visibility "Slow Children" street signs on the following roadways; *Pleasant Street, Spring Street, School Street, Exchange Street, Mechanic Street, and Union Street.* **Photo #2**

- 5) Install a "Stop Sign" in the following locations:
 - a) Intersection of Spring and Mechanic Streets Photo #3
 - b) Intersection of School and Union Streets Photo #4
 - c) Intersection of Spring and Washington Streets Photo #5
 - d) Intersections of School and Washington Streets Photo #6
 - e) Intersection (4 way) of School and Mechanic Streets **Photos #7, 8, 9**
- 6) Replace the "Stop Sign" at the intersection of Pleasant and Union Streets. **Photo #10**
- 7) Replace the "Stop Sign" at the intersection of Pleasant and Washington Streets. **Photo #11**
- 8) Add and/or repaint white stop line pavement markings at all "Stop Sign" locations.
- 9) Add "SLOW" roadway pavement markings on the following roadways; *Pleasant Street, Spring Street, School Street, Exchange Street, Mechanic Street, and Union Street.* **Photos #12, 13**

We hope that these recommendations emphasize our collective commitment to keep those who live, work, and travel through the Town of Holliston as safe as possible. This multi-agency approach for creating a better quality of life for pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorists has always been our highest priority.

If there are any questions about the aforementioned list of recommendations, please feel free to contact one of us.

Respectfully submitted.