

Town of Marblehead Traffic Safety Advisory Committee Mission Statement Adopted December 18, 2023

## ARTICLE X

## Traffic Safety Advisory Committee:

24-25 PURPOSE: The purpose of this committee is to help implement the Marblehead Complete Streets Policy and evaluate public safety issues involving traffic, roads, and other transportation infrastructure in the town.

## **Goals and Objectives:**

- 1) Accelerate progress on the Town's Complete Streets Policy and provide advisory support to the Department of Public Works Director and the Town Engineer.
  - a. Annually, review and update the status of the Town's list of Complete Streets projects. Evaluate which of the 28 listed projects already approved for potential funding have been completed, are in progress, and or should be pursued first.
  - b. TSAC recommendations should be mindful of the Complete Streets Committee's key performance measures:
    - i. Total miles of on-street bicycle routes defined by streets with clearly marked or signed bicycle accommodations.
    - ii. Linear feet of new pedestrian accommodations.
    - iii. Number of new ADA/MAAB compliant curb cut ramps installed.
  - c. Annually, identify and set priorities for opportunities to obtain implementation funds for projects paying close attention to grant application funding deadlines and the potential for likely implementation of Marblehead's Complete Streets Policy, including Safe Routes to School funding opportunities.
- 2) Reduce, the amount of crashes in the Town of Marblehead and provide advisory guidance to the Select Board on traffic safety priorities.
  - a. Provide as needed advisory assistance to Town's Professional Staff on best practices for enhancing the safety of sidewalks, on-street parking, traffic calming measures, and bicycle travel.
  - b. At each TSAC meeting, provide residents an opportunity to express their concerns and suggestions on enhancing traffic safety infrastructure. Early into each meeting, allocate approximately 15% of each typical hour-long meeting to accommodate public comment.

- c. Organize and regularly review Traffic Safety Requests residents submitted to the Marblehead Police Department and to the TSAC to provide the Select Board with advisory assistance. Preferably, 85% of each meeting should be oriented toward evaluating and assessing Marblehead's Complete Streets Policy and priority traffic safety concerns by TSAC members.
- d. Annually, identify the overall highest traffic crash locations in Town. Regularly debate the viability of measures that could reduce crashes and at specific high priority locations. Recommend measures to the Select Board deemed to be top priority by the Committee votes.

## **3)** Respond to community members' traffic safety concerns and educate community members about traffic safety.

- a. Summarize Marblehead's resident submissions for traffic safety measures. Provide a brief summary, at least quarterly, on resident concerns and how they were addressed.
- b. Prepare and vote upon a brief report no more than 10 pages to be submitted to the Select Board quarterly or sooner if needed to meet grant funding deadlines.
- c. Regularly update the Town's TSAC materials on the Town's website. Annually, provide one Complete-Streets and traffic safety-related educational material package tailored to inform Marblehead 's general population on best traffic safety practices to be posted on the Town's website.