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August 5, 2019

Mr. Brandon Molina
4 Ridge Avenue
Dedham, MA 02026

RE: Traffic Calming Request Form #2019-003 – Ridge Avenue

Mr. Molina,

Please be advised that your Traffic Calming Request for Ridge Avenue was presented to the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) at their meeting held on 07/09/19. The TAC reviewed the request along with the photos and petition endorsed by other residents of Ridge Avenue. Based upon the information provided in your request, Ridge Avenue's current roadway and sidewalk pavement conditions have significantly deteriorated resulting in unsafe driving and walking conditions.

Unfortunately, your request has been denied since the repair of roadways and sidewalks does not fall under the purview of the TAC. The repair of roadways and sidewalks falls under the jurisdiction of the Select Board as they are the Town's street commissioners. The TAC is an advisory committee established by the Select Board to evaluate residential streets where residents have concerns of speeding, volume of traffic and pedestrian & bicyclist safety as a result of speeding and volume. If the TAC's evaluation indicates that any of these concerns are an actual issue, they can then develop a plan utilizing traditional traffic calming measures to mitigate those concerns and present them to the Select Board for their approval.

Although the TAC has denied your Traffic Calming Request, you may be interested to know that at the Select Board's most recent public meeting, they approved the next 3-year pavement management program, which Ridge Avenue was approved to be repaved in year 3 (2022).

Your information and concerns have been shared with the Director of Public Works and the DPW will continue to address potholes in the roadway and in the sidewalk until the roadway get completely repaved in 2022. Please be sure to contact the DPW at 781-751-9350 whenever a pothole appears, or an existing repaired pothole fails.

If following the repaving of Ridge Avenue, you and/or your neighbors on Ridge Avenue feel that the speed of vehicles traveling on the street has become an issue, please feel free to submit another traffic calming request. Please feel free to contact the Director of Engineering, Jason Mammone, P.E., at 781-751-9352 should you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Bethoney". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

John Bethoney, Chairman

Cc: Board of Selectman
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