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MEMORANDUM

TO: Eileen M. Donoghue, City Manager *EMD*

FROM: Diane N. Tradd, Assistant City Manager/DPD Director

DATE September 22, 2020

SUBJECT: MOTION OF 9/8/20 BY COUNCILOR CHAU
REQUEST CITY MANAGER IMPLEMENT THE REPAINTING OF VEHICLE
LANE SAFETY MARKINGS ON THORNDIKE STREET AT YMCA DRIVE AND
IN THE AREAS ADJACENT TO THE ENTRANCE OF THE LOWELL
CONNECTOR

The Transportation Engineer has received requests to repaint this area several times. The Thorndike Street widening project, completed in 2018, has updated thermoplastic markings. The area from the intersection with YMCA Drive, extending under the Lowell Connector and to Gallagher Square is within State Right-of-Way (ROW). MassDOT is responsible for the maintenance of the pavement markings within their ROW and the Transportation Engineer has requested that they be repainted multiple times. Another request was made on July 30, 2020, to the District 4 MassDOT office to include the area in its annual repainting contract. MassDOT confirmed on September 14, 2020 that they had received additional funding and expect to complete the pavement markings within 3 weeks.

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cc: Ting Chang, PE, City Engineer
Christine Clancy, PE, DPW Commissioner
Natasha Vance, PE, Transportation Engineer