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City Manager

REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

DATE: October 6, 2025
FROM: Thomas J. Aspell, Jr., City Manager
SUBJECT: Citizen Comments

Recommendation:

Recommend City Council accept this report.

Background:

Attached for your information are citizen comments received during the past month.

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Attachments

Stevens, Suzanne

Subject: FW: Centre/Washington/Pine Street Intersection - Thank You

From: Stacey Brown <stacey4concord@gmail.com>

Date: September 20, 2025 at 3:03:57 PM EDT

To: * City Clerk <cityclerk@concordnh.gov>

Subject: Fwd: Centre/Washington/Pine Street Intersection - Thank You

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Hi Janice,
Would you please include these comments in the next Council agenda?
Thank you!
Stacey

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From: Stacey Brown <stacey4concord@gmail.com>

Date: Sat, Sep 20, 2025 at 3:02 PM

Subject: Re: Centre/Washington/Pine Street Intersection - Thank You

To: <reaganbissonnette@gmail.com>

CC: <engineering@concordnh.gov>, Judith Kurtz <judith.kurtz@gmail.com>, Nicole Fox <nicole@concordgreenspace.com>

Absolutely! Thank you for writing!

On Sat, Sep 20, 2025 at 2:42 PM <reaganbissonnette@gmail.com> wrote:

Hello,

I'm delighted to see that the Centre/Washington/Pine Street intersection is being redesigned to be safer for pedestrians and traffic - thank you! I had contacted the city about my concerns with this intersection back in 2018 (see below). I have already noticed cars stopping more quickly when my family and I wait to cross this intersection on foot thanks to the sidewalk bump outs.

I hope you'll pass on my thanks to the city staff and officials/volunteers who have worked to make this improvement a reality.

Thank you,
Reagan Bissonnette

On Aug 3, 2018, at 2:10 PM, Engineering - Traffic Operations Committee <do_not_reply@civicplus.com> wrote:

Recent Activity for Your Request

Ms. Bissonnette, We appreciate your suggestions. The Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB's) are becoming quite popular. We've recently considered them as options for our busy arterial streets in conjunction with small median islands. Manchester Street improvements are currently under design and may create an opportunity to try one of these. We've recently discussed options for the Centre/Washington/Pine intersection and thought that realigning the Washington Street approach to be more of a right angle, coupled with bumpouts on the corners to shorten the crosswalk lengths would be appropriate in that location. That would be a potential new project for City Council to consider. We did recently install some new reflective crosswalk signage at that intersection that appears helpful.

Traffic Operations Committee Request

#15706

36 Pine St (intersection with Centre St)
Concord, NH 03301

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there is a crosswalk at the intersection of Pine Street and Centre Street for pedestrians to access White Park. The crosswalk is well-marked on the ground, and cars are usually good about stopping for pedestrians who want to cross Centre Street. I use this crosswalk frequently with my 2.5 year old son.

However, Centre Street is a busy street for commuters travelling downtown. Cars often drive too fast on Centre Street, especially during the morning and evening commute, and sometimes they don't stop for pedestrians. I think sometimes they don't stop because they are going too fast to notice pedestrians waiting to cross.

Given that this crosswalk is frequently used by residents, including children, to access the park, I think it could be made much more safe with a few improvements.

I have included a sample photo of a pedestrian crosswalk that has flashing lights when a pedestrian pushes a button to cross. These are much more visible to cars. I've used crosswalks like this elsewhere, and they are effective for ensuring cars stop for pedestrians.

Thank you for considering ways to improve the safety of this intersection.