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Subject: Corrected email from ABAC.

To the Select Board:

At the recent ABAC meeting there was an in-depth discussion of the recent fatal crash between a cyclist and a car at the intersection of Mass Ave and Appleton. The ABAC board was present along with some of the ABAC members at large, concerned citizens, the head of MassBike, and members of the bereaved family. As a consequence of this meeting it was voted unanimously by the Committee that I write to you and urge the Town take prompt action to decrease the possibility of future crashes along this stretch of Mass Ave that has long been a difficult area for cyclists, pedestrians, and motorists to navigate without mishap.

To this end we strongly recommend that the Selectboard take a very close look at the proposed plan put forward by former ABAC member and co-chair of EALS, Phil Goff. This plan offers several inexpensive ideas that can provide much needed relief until a more comprehensive and permanent solution can be found. It should be noted that this plan has included the intersections of Mass Ave with Forest Ave and Lowell St, both which are in the same area and have similar issues.

We look forward to hearing from you on this pressing issue.

Yours

Christopher Tonkin

Chair Arlington Bicycle Advisory Committee