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Michael Nestico
Tarentum Municipal Building
318 Second Avenue
Tarentum, PA 15084

Dear Mr. Nestico:

I'd like to thank you and fellow council members for your successful efforts in obtaining funding to upgrade the traffic signals located at the intersection of East 10th Avenue and Corbet Street. I also hope that a westbound left turn light along East 10th Avenue will be approved and thus be included in the new traffic signal design.


I would also like to bring to your attention two issues in regard to the intersection of East 10th Avenue and Lock Street. As you realize, left hand turns are prohibited from Lock Street onto East 10th Avenue. However, in spite of numerous street signs stating such, I have noticed a number of drivers simply ignoring the signs. For example, just recently I came upon a large truck pulling a construction trailer attempting a left turn from Lock Street into heavy East 10th Avenue traffic causing considerable traffic disruption by blocking the flow of traffic in both directions. I am thus kindly suggesting that directional arrows pointing to the right be painted on the Lock Street pavement approaching the intersection to further emphasize the left turn restriction. Also, the word "ONLY" could also be painted with the arrows on the pavement similar to the pavement graphics on the turning lanes before and after the Tarentum Bridge.

Secondly, I am also proposing that a streetlight be put on the utility pole at the corner of East 10th Avenue and Lock Street. I have noticed it is extremely dark at the intersection during the night. As you may recall, this pole was recently replaced after a recent truck accident.

Finally, I would also like to express my sincere appreciation toward your efforts in moving ahead with the needed demolitions of dilapidated structures in the borough. I personally viewed most of the subject structures listed on your website. Hopefully all 35 structures can be demolished within the near future.

Thank you for your consideration, and hopefully implementation, of my suggestions. I am confident that you will address the situation at Lock Street and East 10th Avenue as you have effectively done in the past. As always, wishing you and Tarentum the best during 2020.

Best Regards,



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