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RE: Updates on the Sea Street Improvements Project (current status: advertised for bids)

Dear property owners:

The Town of Barnstable is currently inviting contractors to bid on construction of the Sea Street improvements project, and we want to take this opportunity to provide updates about the project.

We have attached our letter of May 14, 2018 explaining the staking that DPW performed and outlining steps property owners should take if they want to remove any of their landscaping, fences, or other personal items from within the street right-of-way, which extends beyond the edges of pavement. Any items not removed by November 16, 2018 will be removed by the contractor and either disposed or placed on the associated yard, in consultation with the property owner. If you have any questions or wish to make special arrangements, you are welcome to call Paul Graves, Town Engineer, at 508-790-6400.

As a reminder, the project will extend along Sea Street from Main Street to the intersection of Ocean Avenue, and then along Ocean Avenue to the entrance of Keyes Memorial Beach. The road will be reconstructed with improved drainage, 10-foot wide travel lanes and 1-foot shoulders, granite curbs, a 6-foot wide sidewalk on the west, and an 8-foot wide shared use path on the east with a landscape strip between the curb and the path. Trees will be planted in the landscape strip where appropriate. New traffic signals will be installed at the intersection of Sea Street and South Street. Decorative street lighting will be installed along the length of the project. Work will also occur on South Street a distance of about 100 to 200 feet east and west of the intersection with Sea Street, and the ends of side streets along Sea Street/Ocean Avenue within the project limits will be repaved and in some cases realigned.

If you are interested in viewing the plans and specifications, they are available online at <http://www.town.barnstable.ma.us/purchasing/bids/memberpages/bids.aspx> . A free online registration process is required in order to establish a username and password for this website.

Bids are due by 2:00 p.m. on October 30. If the Town receives acceptable bids, we anticipate a signed contract and notice to proceed in November. Depending on weather and other factors, construction activities this fall and potentially during the winter may include the following:

- Utility pole relocations (to be performed by Verizon and Eversource pending petition and hearing).
- Contractor submittals including stormwater pollution prevention plan, shop drawings, product data, samples, etc., for review and approval.
- Ordering materials and equipment.
- Establishing contractor staging area.
- Installing erosion and sediment controls.
- Clearing trees, brush, and other items.
- Construction of drainage improvements.

Barring unforeseen circumstances, the following construction activities are expected to occur next spring:

- Continuation of utility pole relocations, clearing, and drainage improvements.
- Pavement milling.
- Grading.
- Curb adjustments.
- Installation of light pole bases and electrical conduit.
- Installation of traffic signal pole bases and electrical conduit.
- Sidewalk construction.
- Street paving and striping.
- Installation of new traffic signs.

Construction must be substantially completed – that is, the road and sidewalks must be open and functional – and work must cease before Memorial Day weekend. Depending on weather and other factors, some work may need to be completed after Labor Day, in the fall of 2019, and if so this might include the following items:

- Installation of new traffic signal equipment and removal of old traffic signals.
- Installation of new light poles and removal of old street lights.
- Drainage structure adjustments if/as needed.
- Tree planting and other landscaping.
- Final pavement top courses.

The contractor is required to maintain at least one lane open to traffic at all times, with police details to direct traffic when there is a lane closure or partial closure. At the end of each construction day the road is to be re-opened to two-way traffic. All travel lanes will have at least temporary pavement when not actively under construction. At least one sidewalk will remain open at all times. The contractor shall provide and maintain access at all times to all properties, including but not limited to functional access for mail and package delivery as well as trash removal.

We will post project information and updates at <http://www.townofbarnstable.us/PublicWorks/Projects/Projects.asp> (or click on “Capital Improvement Projects” under “Public Works Projects” on the Town’s homepage).

If you have questions or experience problems during construction, call DPW at 508-790-6400.

We hope this letter is helpful to you in preparing for the construction project.

Sincerely,



Paul Graves, P.E.
Town Engineer

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May 14, 2018

RE: Notification of sideline staking for the Sea Street streetscape project

Dear property owners:

The Town of Barnstable Department of Public Works is preparing for reconstruction of Sea Street and Ocean Avenue from Main Street to Keyes Memorial Beach. The work is scheduled to begin this fall.

The project will include a new shared use path and landscape buffer on the east side, a new sidewalk on the west side, new or resurfaced pavement with narrower lane widths, and improved drainage and street lighting.

In order to delineate town right-of-way boundaries and to assist property owners in identifying where the new edges of sidewalk and shared use path will be located, DPW will be placing wooden stakes along the sidelines of Sea Street and Ocean Avenue. We expect to complete this staking during May 2018.

This will provide an opportunity for property owners to remove any of their personal landscaping, fencing, or other items they may have placed within the road right-of-way. Otherwise, these items will be removed during construction and disposed or piled on the properties to which they belong.

Please do not remove or relocate the stakes, as doing so will defeat the purpose of sighting along the stakes in order to see the edges of front yards.

The actual limits of construction may be a few feet further into the yards than the staked sidelines as construction tends to disturb lawns and other features within a few feet of the construction activity, and also it is necessary to provide smooth slope transitions from newly constructed features to existing ground surfaces. The construction project will include restoring the edges of lawns and driveways affected by the construction equipment and slope transitions.

We hope this is helpful to you in preparing for the construction project.

Sincerely,

Paul Graves, P.E.
Town Engineer