

# TOWN OF SOUTHBOROUGH



## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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March 24, 2010

RE: Main Street (Route 30)-Reconstruction Public Meeting

Dear Resident or Business Owner:

The Southborough Department of Public Works (DPW) invites you to attend the Tuesday, April 6<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Selectmen at 6:30 PM. The meeting will be held at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Hearing Room of the Town House, 17 Common Street. This meeting is to discuss what options are available to allow on-street parking in the vicinity of the Town Common.

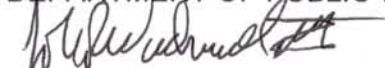
As you may be aware, on October 27, 2009, the Board of Selectmen voted to endorse a design for Main Street that would not impact the Town Common area, and would not create a dedicated parking lane, but would allow for the current parking situation that exists in the area of the Common to remain. However, subsequent to that meeting, the Public Safety Chiefs brought forth concerns regarding the viability of allowing on-street parking, without a dedicated parking lane. Based on these concerns, the Board of Selectmen gave the DPW permission to create a series of detailed design scenarios for the Common area, to determine what the possible impacts would be to the Common and abutting private property, if a dedicated parking lane was to be constructed.

The DPW had the project engineers, VHB, Inc., produce three design alternatives. These new alternatives are available at the Town's website, <http://www.southboroughtown.com>, under the "Main Street" section. Also available is the alternative presented in October, 2009 that shows no on-street parking in this area. The new alternatives consist of placing the roadway either farthest to the north (greatest impact to Common), farthest to the south (greatest impact to private property), or an in between option. A fourth plan is also displayed, which overlays each of the designs on one plan for ease of comparison. Also available at the web site are copies of the correspondence from the Public Safety Chiefs to the Board of Selectmen. Additionally, the locations of the front of the wall at the common and the back of sidewalk for each of the different options have been staked in the field, and are available for your viewing. The blue stakes are the option farthest to the north, the red stakes are the middle option, and the green stakes are the option furthest to the south (please note that there are no green stakes along the Common, as the wall would not move under this option).

If you have any questions, or need further information, please contact me at (508) 485-1210 or by email at [jwoodsmall@southboroughma.com](mailto:jwoodsmall@southboroughma.com).

Sincerely,

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