

## MEETING NOTES

**ATTENDEES:** Tim Olson  
Dorr Fox  
Patrick Reffett  
Stephen Walsh  
Liz Oltman  
Danah Hamzeh  
Bob Brisson  
Rick Mitchell  
Rosemary

**DATE:** June 19, 2019

**LOCATION:** Hamilton Town Hall

**PROJECT NO.:** T0805

**NOTES BY:** RMB

**PROJECT NAME:** Hamilton Complete Streets

**RE:** Complete Streets – Public Presentation Meeting June 11, 2019

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The minutes of the May 16, 2019 meeting were approved as written.

A brief presentation presenting a Complete Streets overview was conducted.

The Draft Prioritization Plan was reviewed, and the following considerations were noted:

- Bay Road (Route 1A) is under MassDOT jurisdiction, therefore Complete Streets Funding may not be used on these projects. Several projects that the Committee and Town residents determined to be desirable on the Prioritization Plan are along Bay Road. These projects should remain on the plan, but may be placed as a lower priority so alternate sources of funding may be considered. The following are projects on or near Bay Road were discussed at the meeting:
  - Bay Road runs through downtown Hamilton splitting it in half. Only two poor - condition crosswalks cross Bay Road. Adding more/repainting crosswalks would “unify downtown” and provide connectivity between two sides of the road. Approximately 10,000 vpd on Bay Road
  - Pedestrian crossings and sidewalks on adjacent streets surrounding downtown Bay Road are an important connection within downtown area.
  - Integrate sidewalk/crosswalks for safer access to the MBTA from Railroad Avenue and Linden Street
- Essex Street should be improved for multi-modal uses
  - Pathway/sidewalk without curb was suggested
  - Possibly incorporate shared-use paths for pedestrians and bicyclists which MassDOT has preferred recently
  - A bike path and sidewalk separated is not ideal or preferred

- Revise Prioritization Plan to have correct direction on Essex Street for one-way clockwise bicycle and pedestrian travel with Bridge Street
- Highland Street
  - Consider adding a bike path or extending sidewalks north from Asbury Street

MassDOT provides grants up to \$400,000 for construction only. Towns can reapply but MassDOT likes to spread the money around. Prioritization factors include traffic accidents, cost, traffic.

Next meeting June 25<sup>th</sup> 10 AM