Lafayette Street Improvements Project
Harbor Street to Washington and Dow Streets

Public Meeting

Salem, Massachusetts
February 7, 2011
Project Funding

• State Funding
  – Public Works Economic Development Grant, (PWED) - $1,000,000
  – Construction must be completed by June 2012

• Local Funding
  – Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) - $100,000
• **Background**
  - Intersections identified in Central Transportation Planning Staff (CTPS) 2005 Improvement Study
Proposed St. Joseph’s Church Redevelopment
Proposed St Joseph’s Church Redevelopment (Site Plan)

Mixed-Use with Neighborhood Commercial Summary

A. New 4-Story Building
   - 51 Units (6 – 1BR, 38 – 2BR, & 7 – 3BR)
   - 4,360 SF Ground Floor Commercial

B. Existing 3-Story School Adaptive Reuse
   - 17 Units

C. Existing 3-Story Rectory Adaptive Reuse
   - 8 Units

TOTAL
   - 76 Units
   - 4,360 SF Commercial
   - 121 Parking Spaces
Project Goals

- Improve safety and driver expectation
- Reduce traffic delay, improve LOS
- Improve pedestrian mobility
- Increase vehicle access
- Minimize impacts to on street parking
- Improve aesthetic character of project area
Proposed Harbor Street Intersection Improvements
Proposed Washington Street Intersection Improvements
Proposed Project Improvements

- Single Lane Washington Street Approach
- Right and Left turn from Lafayette Street to Dow Street
• Traffic signals to regulate vehicle movements and provide dedicated pedestrian crossing phase and countdown signals

• Curb extensions (Bump outs) to shorten crosswalks and provide better line of sight for pedestrians
Proposed Safety & Access Improvements (cont)

- Relocated new driveway for Saint Joseph’s to control and provide safe access and for the redevelopment site

- Intersection on-street parking changes to improve site distance for vehicles and pedestrians

- Non-compliant and compliant parking space impacts

- New Parking Spaces Gained from extension of Lafayette Park into Lafayette/Washington Street Intersection

- Consolidate bus stop on the east side of Lafayette Street
Streetscape Improvements

- Imprinted Crosswalks
- Solar Powered Trash Receptacles
- City Standard Benches
• Streetscape Improvements (cont.)
  – Ornamental traffic signals and street lights
• Streetscape Improvements (cont.)
  – Narrowing the Lafayette/Washington Street Intersection increases the effective area of the park (stamped concrete, landscaping, lighting)
  – Installation of new street trees and landscaping
Proposed Landscaping

- LIRIODENDRON TULIPIFERA "VALLEY FORGE"
- PLATANUS ACERIFOLIA "YANWOOD"
- PRUNUS CASSIOPE "AESPORCAT"
- POTENTILLA FRUTICOSA "KATHERINE DUKE"
- HEMEROCALIS "STELLA D'ORO"
- PENNISETUM ALOPECUROIDES "NAEEM"
- HELIOTROPHUM SIMPERVIRENS
- RUDBECKIA FULGIDA "GOLDSTORM"
Next Steps

- Prepare final construction plans, bid specifications, and cost estimate
- Issue the project for bidding scheduled for May 2011
- Construction scheduled to begin Summer 2011
- Completion date by June 2012
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