



TOWN COUNCIL – AGENDA REQUEST FORM

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Please submit Agenda Request Form, **including back up information**, 8 days prior to the requested meeting date. **Public Hearing requests must be submitted 20 days prior to requested meeting date to meet publication deadlines** (exceptions may be authorized by the Town Manager, Chairman/Vice Chair).

MEETING INFORMATION

Date Submitted: October 4, 2018
Submitted by: Town Council Chairman Finlay Rothhaus
Department:

Date of Meeting: October 11, 2018

Speakers: Public Works Director Kyle Fox

Time Required: 20 minutes

Background Info. Supplied: Yes: No:

CATEGORY OF BUSINESS (PLEASE PLACE AN "X" IN THE APPROPRIATE BOX)

Appointment:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recognition/Resignation/Retirement:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Public Hearing:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Old Business:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
New Business:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Consent Agenda:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nonpublic:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>

TITLE OF ITEM

101A Widening Project Sidewalk Discussion

DESCRIPTION OF ITEM

The Town Council to discuss whether a sidewalk is warranted on the property near Home Depot.

REFERENCE (IF KNOWN)

RSA:	Warrant Article:
Charter Article:	Town Meeting:
Other:	N/A

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED (PLEASE PLACE AN "X" IN THE APPROPRIATE BOX)

Projector:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Grant Requirements:	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Special Seating:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Laptop:	<input type="checkbox"/>	None:	<input type="checkbox"/>

CONTACT INFORMATION

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APPROVAL

Town Manager: Yes No: Chair/Vice Chair: Yes No:

Hold for Meeting Date: _____



TOWN OF MERRIMACK INTER-DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATION

DATE: May 24, 2016

AT (OFFICE): Department of Public Works

FROM: Kyle Fox
Director of Public Works

SUBJECT: Merrimack 101A Widening Project - Sidewalks

TO: Eileen Cabanel
Town Manager

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation hosted a Public Hearing on September 2018 regarding the proposed widening of Route 101A in Merrimack from Boston Post Road to Continental Boulevard along with related improvements to Craftsman Lane. The project is known as Merrimack 10136D and is part of the larger plan to create additional capacity along the Route 101A corridor from Milford to Nashua.

The primary focus of the project is to increase the capacity of 101a eastbound by adding a third travel lane, and to improve flow through the 101A/Continental Boulevard intersection by adding additional left and right turning lanes. The Route 101A Corridor Study also recommended including sidewalks on the north and south sides of 101A for the length of the project. The existing sidewalk that runs the length of the project on the north side is proposed to remain in place except for the area of widening for the Continental Boulevard improvements where the sidewalk would be reconstructed in the new location.

The Merrimack Public Works Department currently maintains the existing sidewalk each year by sweeping the winter sand from it, cutting vegetative growth around it, and plowing it as storm duration and frequency allow in the winter months.

There has been discussion of the need or want of the proposed sidewalk on the south side of 101A along the frontage of Connections. The Public Works Departments undertook a review of the need for the sidewalk with the following comments:

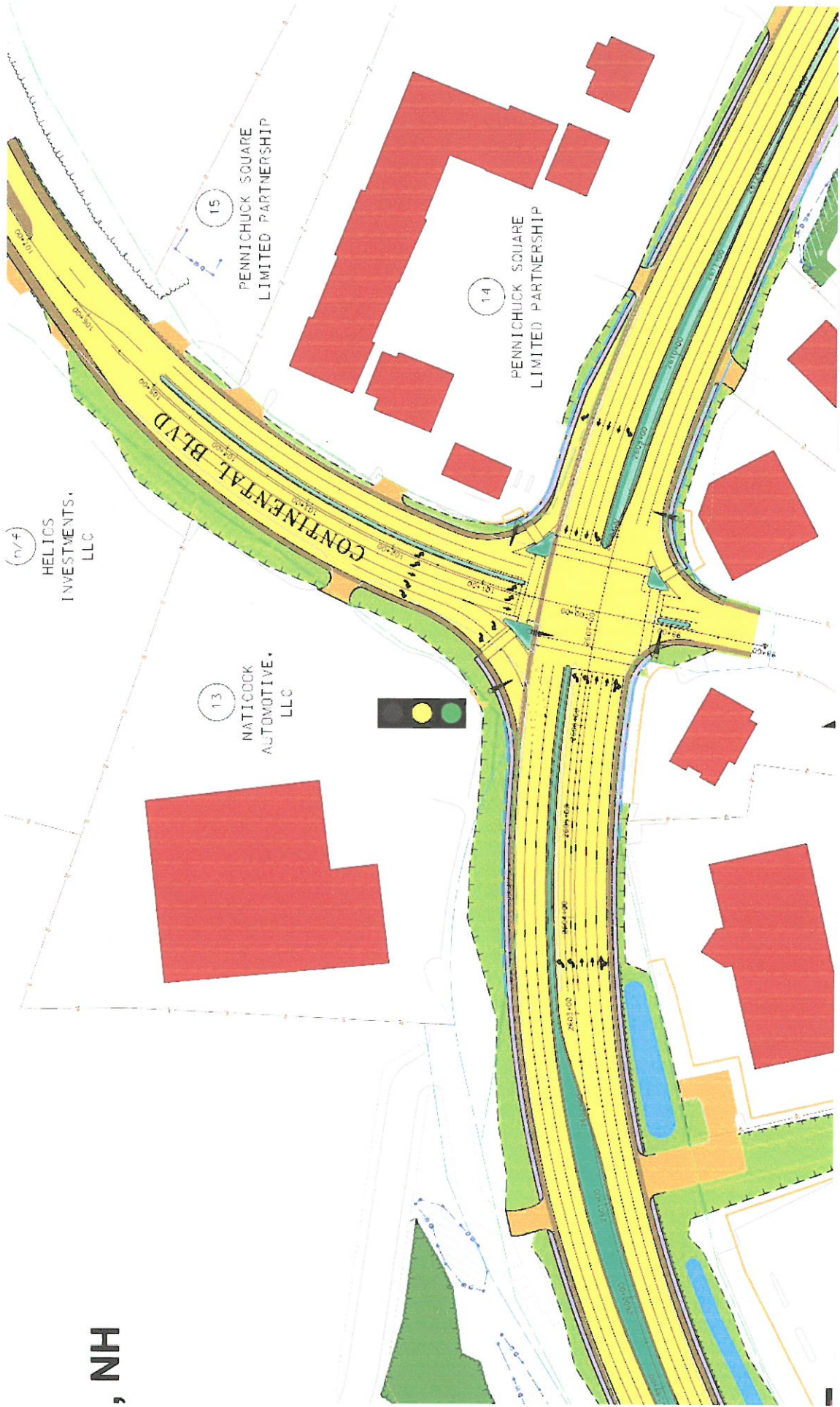
- Other than connections, there are no other businesses on the south side of 101A in Merrimack; the nearest businesses to the west are located in Amherst, west of the Craftsman Lane intersection. Hall Avenue is the lone residential road on the south side of 101A and has six residences on it.
- Connections has stated publicly that they feel sidewalks would encroach upon the slope to their facility (the road sits above the facility parking lot and buildings)
- As mentioned above, we currently maintain the existing sidewalk on the north side of 101A and do receive service calls when the growth gets too high, signaling to us that the walk is used.
- Should the sidewalk be constructed, we do have the capacity to include the additional maintenance within our current workload.

- Not including the sidewalk on the southern side may result in the removal of the pedestrian crossing of 101A at Craftsman Lane as there would be no sidewalk to connect to; pedestrians would have the opportunity to follow the northern sidewalk and cross at the Continental Boulevard intersection.

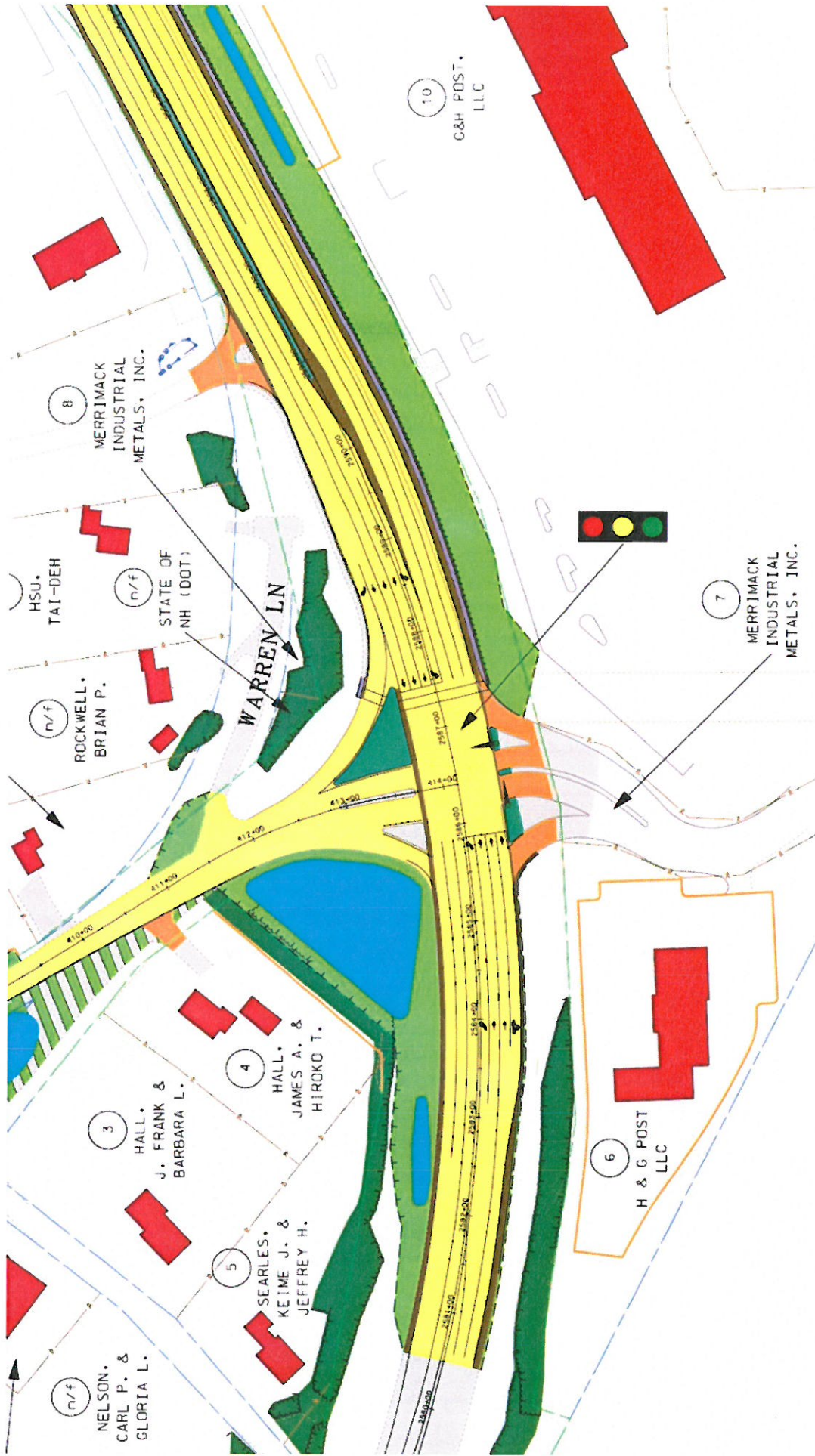
A plan showing the proposed improvements is attached to this memo. Should you have any questions please let me know.

CC: Paul Micali, Finance Director/Assistant Town Manager
Dawn Tuomala, Deputy Director/Town Engineer
File





















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LEGEND

-  TRAVEL WAY OF PROPOSED ROADWAY
-  SHOULDER OF PROPOSED ROADWAY
-  PROPOSED RAISED TRAFFIC ISLANDS
-  PROPOSED SIDEWALK
-  ACCESS POINTS TO PROPOSED ROADWAY (DRIVES, etc)
-  PROPOSED BMP
-  APPROXIMATE LIMIT OF SLOPE WORK AND LANDSCAPING
-  REMOVAL OF EXISTING PAVEMENT OUTSIDE OF SLOPE WORK
-  EXISTING PAVEMENT (ROADWAY, DRIVES, SIDEWALKS, etc.)
-  EXISTING TREE AND/OR BRUSH LINE
-  WATER (RIVERS, STREAMS, LAKES, PONDS, etc.)
-  WETLANDS
-  BUILDINGS
-  PROPERTY LINES
-  STATE, COUNTY, CITY, AND TOWN LINES
-  PROPOSED EASEMENT
-  EXISTING EASEMENT LINES
-  PROPOSED R.O.W. (RIGHT-OF-WAY)
-  EXISTING R.O.W. (RIGHT-OF-WAY)
-  EXISTING C.A.R.O.W. (CONTROLLED ACCESS)