

STREETSCAPES PROJECT UPDATE and NOTICE of PUBLIC MEETING

Monday October 16th 2023 6pm Montgomery Town Hall (Grange)

The Montgomery Selectboard will be holding a Public Informational Meeting at the Town Hall (Grange) at *6pm on Monday October 16th 2023* to review and take comments on the latest iteration of Streetscape Improvement Plans for Main Street in Montgomery Center. The meeting is open to all. Those who cannot attend are welcome to submit comments in writing to <u>montgomeryselectboard@gmail.com</u>

Background: The board has been working with engineers at Hoyle Tanner and Associates, as well as project managers and permitting specialists at VTrans, to refine the preliminary Streetscape Improvement plans presented to the community in 2020. The scope of improvements has been greatly reduced since that time, and currently includes the following:

- Replacement of existing sidewalk infrastructure along Main Street, following current footprint of existing sidewalks
- Installation of mid-block crosswalks in two locations
- Marking of Bike Lanes along Main Street
- Extension of sidewalks along the north side of Main Street to the Montgomery Rec Center to provide continuous pedestrian travel between the Recreation Center and the rest of Main Street
- Installation of additional off-street parking at the Montgomery Recreation Center

The proposed scope of work will not alter the intersection of Routes 242 and 118, or add/change any infrastructure on Main Street east of the Town Hall (Grange). The proposed scope of work does not include any new designated off-street parking on Main Street as this would require the town to take ownership of Main Street as a Class I Town Highway, which the board has declined to do at this time.

The current proposed plan set is available on the Town Website [<u>Streetscape Plans</u>]. New/replacement sidewalk infrastructure is shown in orange, location of mid-block crosswalks marked, and proposed off-street parking at the Rec Center delineated.

Live on Main Street? Attend the meeting! Own a business on Main Street? Attend the meeting! Care about vehicular, bike, and pedestrian access on Main Street? Attend the meeting!