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## **M**EMORANDUM

**To:** Amy Mistrot, Chair, Board of Selectmen (BOS)

**From:** Jamie Errickson, Director

**CC:** Melissa Malone, Town Administrator

Mark Coviello, Project Manager/Engineer

**Date:** October 10, 2018

**RE:** Route 27 North Main Street Update – Right of Way/Abutter Meetings

Community and Economic Development staff continues to make great progress on the Route 27 North Main Street improvement project. 75% design plans were submitted to MassDOT for review at the end of July and the Town recently received comments on the Right of Way (ROW) plans included as part of that submission. Similar to the CRT, in order to advance the project the Town is obligated to obtain all ROW, which is extensive for North Main Street – over 200 properties are impacted either by temporary easement, permanent easement, or a land acquisition (very few).

To advance this project and conversation with impacted property owners, CED staff scheduled two public meetings (open house style) to review the project details with abutters. These meetings are scheduled as follows:

- North of Route 9 section Monday, November 5, Wilson Middle School, 6pm to 8:45pm.
- South of Route 9 section Wednesday, November 7, Libowitz Room, Morse Institute Library, 6pm to 8:45pm.

Attached are a two letters CED sent to property owners along North Main Street as notification for these meetings. These meetings seek to target direct abutters to the project in order to provide an opportunity to discuss the specific impacts of the project on abutting properties. CED Staff will also outline the process the Town must follow in order to secure the necessary ROW, as required by federal regulations.

The meetings are not intended to discuss the overall design - though that will likely happen to some degree. The Town is working with MassDOT to schedule a design update meeting to occur at some point this fall or early winter.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or Mark Coviello with any questions.