

TOWN OF WESTON

TRAFFIC AND SIDEWALK COMMITTEE
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To the Residents of the Route 20/Wellesley Street area:

The Traffic and Sidewalk Committee (TSC) provides the Board of Selectmen with recommendations regarding measures to address the evolving traffic conditions and pedestrian safety needs of the Town of Weston.

To meet the goal of improving traffic safety, the TSC, with the assistance of a traffic consultant, evaluated the existing intersections at the following locations and made the following recommendations:

- 1) Route 20 and Wellesley Street/Boston Post Road: add a traffic signal and re-align the approaches;
- 2) Route 20 and School Street: modify the signal timing and lane striping; and
- 3) Boston Post Road and School Street/Church Street: narrow the pavement and reduce conflict points.

Several public information meetings were held between 2014 and 2017 including both Board of Selectmen meetings and Traffic and Sidewalk Committee meetings, and since that time the committee and the Town's consultant have conducted further studies in response to the comments received from residents and the Board of Selectmen. Most of the comments received related to the Route 20 and Wellesley Street/Boston Post Road and that will be the focus of the upcoming meeting described below.

Route 20 is a MassDOT-owned roadway so the Town is not expected to bear the cost for construction of any improvements. However, in order to advance the project, design funds were appropriated at the May 2018 Annual Town Meeting, and survey, preliminary design and related activities have now progressed to a stage where public input is being sought. The project has been listed by MassDOT as a potential project for funding, and MassDOT strongly urges communities to gauge public support before proceeding to the next stage of design. More information can be found on the Town website at www.weston.org/Rte20.

Attend the Public Feedback Meeting

The TSC is seeking feedback from the public, and abutters in particular, on the proposed traffic signal and intersection changes at Route 20 and Wellesley Street/Boston Post Road. **We encourage all interested residents to attend the next scheduled meeting of the TSC on April 24, 2019, 7:00 PM at the Weston Police Station at 180 Boston Post Road By-Pass.** Members of the committee will be available to present the plans, answer questions, and obtain your input.

Thank you for your support and input.

Very truly yours,

Weston Traffic and Sidewalk Committee