

## Attendees

Jonathan Dwyer  
Jane Herlacher  
Nancy Fleming  
Deborah Howe  
Chris Bibbo  
Margaret Olson  
Paula Vaughn-MacKenzie  
Ginger Reiner  
Ken Bassett  
John Vancor  
Scott Murphy  
Tim Higgins  
Jim Henderson  
Stacey Carter

**Minutes of the RTC meeting of 12 November were approved.**

### **Review of Plans for Pathway connecting Lincoln Station to Codman Road**

John Vancor provided an overview of the most recent plans for the pathway dated 9 December 2020. In general the plans reflect the layout discussed at the 12 November 2020 RTC meeting. Comments and next steps related to the plans are as follows:

- **Codman Road west side crosswalk:** questions were raised regarding the radius of the new curb to be installed on the northwest corner of the intersection. While trucks/trailer trucks override the existing curb, increasing the radius to accommodate trucks serves to lengthen the crosswalk. John Vancor will produce a turning radius sketch showing the implications of a possible modification.
- **Lincoln Road north side crosswalk:** the addition of a new Lincoln Road crosswalk on the north side of the intersection was not shown on the plans for reasons related to existing gradients and the difficulty in meeting ADA standards. Meeting participants noted the fact that pedestrians often make this crossing without the presence of standard signage/pavement markings. It was noted that a number of families with children live immediately to the east on Codman Road and would benefit from an official crosswalk. After considerable discussion John Vancor was asked to revisit the design and provide further analysis for review by the Committee.
- **Power poles/guy wires:** questions were raised regarding the proposal to relocate guy wires from an existing utility pole in a manner that impacts the viewshed to Codman Farm fields and buildings. It was agreed that Chris Bibbo would contact the utility company with the intent of finding alternative solutions, if at all possible. Chris will coordinate with Jim Henderson on what options may or may not exist.
- **Stone retaining wall:** the character and dimensions were reviewed with all agreeing that the wall should reflect the qualities of walls in the area such as along Lincoln Road. Key concerns were the care with which stones are carefully fitted to avoid large gaps, the necessity to have larger stones form the wall cap, and the avoidance of any visible mortar in the stone joints.
- **Magnolia tree protection:** it was agreed that compaction of Magnolia tree roots should be avoided by specifying limits on where construction equipment can operate as well as specifying other measures to be employed should roots be cut due to excavation. As part of the

protection plan a construction fence will be placed along the east side of the path to protect the root zone.

- Walk terminus at Doherty's south entry: the alignment of the walk terminus and the crosswalk at the Doherty's south entry was observed to place pedestrians too close to the Lincoln Road southbound lane. A suggested realignment will be studied which may more directly reflect the way pedestrians will likely move across the entry to the island beyond.
- Island layout: the new sidewalk will require relocation of the informal stone wall. Plan documents will need to show the wall location and may require moving beyond the R.O.W. line where the utility pole impacts the walk location. Relocation of the planting bed will need to be coordinated with the Doherty's.
- Fence: plans will need to illustrate the location of the three rail farm fence between the walk and garden plots. Alignment and openings will be coordinated with Codman Farm. The northern terminus of the fence may be aligned to help direct bicyclist/pedestrian flows.
- Bike racks/benches: it was agreed that these items will be considered for addition after the path construction is complete.

The next meeting of RTC to review final documents was tentatively set for 7 January 2021.

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