

CITY COUNCIL E-MAILS

April 19, 2021

Council Meeting

ADDENDUM

The following e-mails were received:

April 15, 2021 (after 9:00 a.m.) – **April 19, 2021** (before 4:30 p.m.)

If you need further information, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 610-7208.

From: [Mary Calhoun via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Bike lane Peverly Hill Rd
Date: Sunday, April 18, 2021 3:42:07 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Mary Calhoun (mcalhounnh@gmail.com) on Sunday, April 18, 2021 at 14:42:05

address: 280 Thaxter Rd

comments: I am in tremendous support of the addition of a sidewalk and divided use bike lane along Peverly Hill Rd. My family and I would utilize this on a regular basis. We could safely ride to YMCA, the rail trail, and my children could safely ride to friends houses in that area. We need more safe walking and bike ways in the Portsmouth area and Iâ€™m in full support of any addition that provides such, even it impacts my tax rate.

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From: [Dixie Tarbell via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Bike lanes
Date: Saturday, April 17, 2021 6:42:55 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Dixie Tarbell (dixiemcleantarbell@gmail.com) on Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 17:42:53

address: 25 Driftwood Lane

comments: Dear City Councilors: Please think about the big picture in time, the environment and spatial city planning. Bicycling is a wave of the future for errands and transportation to work or recreational areas, not just schools. Bicyclists help our ecology and they merit consideration and need protection more than cars need speed and convenience. Putting bicycle riders beside moving traffic is statistically more risky than putting them beside parked cars whose doors would rarely be opened at the wrong time.

I have been a resident of Portsmouth driving on Middle St. for errands for at least 42 years and Iâ€™m capable of adjusting to the bike lanes. Slowing traffic down is a proven way of increasing safety for all. Bright contrasting colors can help us drivers adjust more easily. One car-door incident Is not enough reason to move bikes into a much more dangerous setup.

Thanks for using foresight regarding safety, youth, future generations, and fiscal planning.

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From: [Laura LeBoeuf via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Bike path
Date: Monday, April 19, 2021 9:02:26 AM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Laura LeBoeuf (lauralizleboeuf@gmail.com) on Monday, April 19, 2021 at 08:02:16

address: 176 Job Seamans Acres New Londong

comments: I urge you all to vote for the construction of a bike path. It will ease congestion of automobiles and pollution to Portsmouth. Thank you!

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From: [Christina Cook via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Bike Peverly Road
Date: Saturday, April 17, 2021 7:03:40 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Christina Cook (zenawcook17@gmail.com) on Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 18:03:39

address: 380 Ocean Road #14

comments: Just in case you think biking from Ocean Road to downtown is about only getting to downtown, it is NOT. I want to bike to Planet Fitness or Market Basket. I want to get to stores and restaurants along the way.

Please use the bike and walking path on Peverly. .

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From: [Megan Glenn via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Equity on our roads
Date: Saturday, April 17, 2021 9:48:14 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Megan Glenn (mefolz.glenn@gmail.com) on Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 20:48:11

address: 34 Harrison Ave

comments: Portsmouth should be taking strides towards becoming a more diverse, equitable, and inclusive city. Narrowing transportation options for City residents takes us in the wrong direction. Your actions to remove the Middle Street bike lane and a planned bike path along Peverly Hill Road suggest a belief that Portsmouth is just for longtime residents who can afford to drive. The suggestion by Councilor Kennedy that a bike path through conservation land could substitute for a path on Peverly Hill Road implies a narrow belief that biking is just for kids or pleasure. Her route would not directly connect destinations for those who use biking as a primary means of transportation. Roads need to be designed for the safety of all. More connected and safe bike routes will bring us a step closer to an equitable and inclusive city.

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From: [Sandra via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Finish the Peverly Hill bike path
Date: Sunday, April 18, 2021 7:16:40 AM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Sandra (S-l-robinson@hotmail.com) on Sunday, April 18, 2021 at 06:16:37

address: 171 Monroe St Ext

comments: The construction to Peverly Hill Road should include support for bikers on the path as well, as was in the original grant plans. We need more safe alternatives and options for non-car transport and this should be completed as originally planned to support more options for Portsmouth residents. Continue with plans for a joint bike/pedestrian path as was originally requested. Thank you for your time.

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From: [Kyle Engle via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Fixed Base Operator
Date: Friday, April 16, 2021 2:03:08 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Kyle Engle (kte2325@gmail.com) on Friday, April 16, 2021 at 13:03:06

address: 24 Hunking street

comments: Councilor Tabor,

I read with some concern your recent opinion regarding a second FBO at the Tradeport. My immediate question is; since when did City Council get into the business of deciding what businesses should and should not locate to the City? As a City Councilor I would think your duty is to distance yourself from financial matters concerning private industry. It certainly doesn't seem to lie within the duties of a City Councilor, and it leaves open the question is there some other motivating factor.

Whether it's an FBO or Joe's hot dog stand, all businesses in a free market have the right to establish themselves as long as they comply with zoning, land use and other restrictions imposed by local governance. The owner of Port City raises a fight anytime there is a potential newcomer to the airport which might threaten his monopoly...and why wouldn't he?

I've been involved with aviation for more than thirty-five years. Fuel sales are the primary revenue source for most FBOs. But it also must be understood fuel prices, which are driven down by competition, are a huge draw and motivating factor for aircraft to utilize the services of an FBO(s). Competitive fuel prices will actually increase aircraft traffic and total fuel sales as aircraft operators "tanker" fuel wherever they can obtain the best price. As you alluded to, FBO's and aircraft traffic bring with it a host of peripheral jobs and financial benefits which spread beyond the FBO and into the local economy. There are very few major airports in the Country where only one FBO has a monopoly. And when they do, I can assure you fuel and other supporting services reflect this lack of competition. Concern over military contract fueling is also puzzling. Jet fuel is all the same, so isn't it in the best interest of the military and ultimately the taxpayer to obtain !
fuel at the most competitive price possible?

The concerns raised over an additional fuel farm are also unfounded. Fuel farms are installed and operated at thousands of airports across the country. Their installation and use are highly regulated by local and Federal guidelines. I don't recall any push back or concern over Port City's fuel farm, which by-the-way has operated safely for many years.

I'm quite concerned by the actions of so many on this City Council speaking out against this proposal. It's not the responsibility of the Council, or any public governing body to bias one business over another. There will always be demand for FBO services at the Tradeport. The success or failure of which will be decided by the best business model and ultimately the consumer.

Kyle Engle

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From: [Victoria Stanhope via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: In favor of multi-use path on Peverly Hill Road
Date: Saturday, April 17, 2021 6:26:37 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Victoria Stanhope (67main@gmail.com) on Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 17:26:31

address: 364 Middle Street

comments: I am a Portsmouth resident in favor of a Multi-use path on Peverly Hill Road, rather than just a sidewalk.

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From: [Jeff Latimer via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Keep the shared use path in the Peverly Hill Design
Date: Monday, April 19, 2021 1:29:30 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Jeff Latimer (jeff@gusbike.com) on Monday, April 19, 2021 at 12:29:28

address: 55 Lafayette Road

comments: Dear Portsmouth Council Member

Based on recent comments attributed to Council members it seems that some members do not understand that bicycles are actually a method of transportation. As a Seacoast bicycle shop owner, I know first hand that many of our fellow citizens can not afford a car and they need a transportation network that allows them to move about our city. Some of our clients have medical issues that keep them from being able to drive a car and a bicycle or tricycle is their only means of transportation. When you vote tonight, please remember that roads are part of the common and belong to all, not just those that can afford cars.

We urgently need more shared use paths like the one proposed for Peverly Hill road. Let tonight's vote be the start of something great. A path that connects neighborhoods to the shops and jobs on Route 1. A path that allows kids to ride to their ball games. A path that can connect neighbors. A path that can create access to the future rail trail. Please return to the implementation of the Portsmouth Bicycle and Pedestrian complete streets plan, instead of ignoring people on bikes and people walking.

Sincerely,

Jeff Latimer
Owner
Gus' Bike Shop

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From: [Hope Van Epps via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Mask Mandate
Date: Thursday, April 15, 2021 5:35:22 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Hope Van Epps (hope.vanepps@gmail.com) on Thursday, April 15, 2021 at 16:35:20

address: 209 Miller Avenue

comments: Good evening,

Please show your support and protection for our students and staff's health by keeping the city mask mandate in effect through the end of the school year. The threat to students is real, especially those unvaccinated.

We now know the variants of Covid-19 are transmitting in younger adolescents, and high school students are more likely to become sick or hospitalized.

Case numbers continue to climb as the virus spreads, making wearing a mask essential to protect our unvaccinated school population. There are current cases in our schools.

With recent announcements, students' and staff morale are low - many feeling unsupported and undervalued. Keeping the city mask mandate in effect through the end of the school year is one way to send the message they are essential to our community.

Kindly,

Hope Van Epps
Portsmouth School Board

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From: [Marie Lyford via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: mask mandate
Date: Friday, April 16, 2021 8:54:47 AM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Marie Lyford (marie03801@comcast.net) on Friday, April 16, 2021 at 07:54:45

address: 5 opal ave

comments: I appreciate that the city has a mask mandate and am hoping that you continue this mask mandate until covid rates are much much lower. Please do not remove the Portsmouth citywide mask mandate, but extend it further into the year. It is only fair to our service workers to keep this in place. many of the younger generation are not getting vaccinated and therefore can still spread this virus. Thank you

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From: [Cheri Bach via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Mask wearing
Date: Friday, April 16, 2021 9:04:47 AM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Cheri Bach (cheribach@comcast.net) on Friday, April 16, 2021 at 08:04:41

address: 15 Wiird Street

comments: I strongly request (and HOPE) that the city council will maintain a mask wearing mandate in the City of Portsmouth at least thru the end June 2021 when you will revisit and review the trends in the city AND greater Seacoast area. The businesses and citizens need you to back them up on their precautions to keep the covid virus from spreading and mutating. Thank you. This is not the time to take steps backward.

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From: [Eric Weinrieb via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Middle Road and Middle Street intersection
Date: Friday, April 16, 2021 3:30:43 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Eric Weinrieb (Eric@altus-eng.com) on Friday, April 16, 2021 at 14:30:40

address: 9 Middle Road

comments: Dear Council members,

I was thrilled to see the improvements to the intersection of Middle Road and Middle Street the other night when I came home. I have noticed an immediate calming of the traffic with lower speeds. Several of my neighbors have commented with similar observations.

It is just another example of the fine work by the folks at Public Works.

I personally ask to put your trust in their work. They are true professionals.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Weinrieb
9 Middle Road

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Engage: Submit

REMOTE_ADDR: 173.9.82.14

From: [Martha Stone via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: multi-use path on Peverly Hill Road
Date: Friday, April 16, 2021 2:12:56 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Martha Stone (martha@crossroadshouse.org) on Friday, April 16, 2021 at 13:12:54

address: 600 Lafayette Rd, Portsmouth

comments: Dear Councilors,

I'm writing in support of the plan to add a multi-use path for walking and biking alongside Peverly Hill Road. The residents of Cross Roads House, the city's homeless shelter, often rely on bikes or walking as their primary mode of transportation. For many years, we have had a relationship with the YMCA located on Peverly Hill Road, and we are grateful that our residents have access to use the facilities there. For this reason, and for the safety of the public, I am in support of a multi-use path.

Sincerely,
Martha Stone
Executive Director
Cross Roads House

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REMOTE_ADDR: 96.95.172.165

From: [Bill Kennedy via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Pe early Hill Rd Complete Streets
Date: Saturday, April 17, 2021 5:08:28 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Bill Kennedy (bk47gh@comcast.net) on Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 16:08:26

address: Dover NH

comments: Please don't let this project go the way of the Middle St. Bike lane. The people of Portsmouth have been working on this project for 12 years. The combination multi-use path and sidewalk are the preferred option and safest for all users. What does the city council have against bicycle safety?

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From: [Aislinn McCabe-Corrow via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peaverly Hill Bike Lanes
Date: Saturday, April 17, 2021 5:35:08 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Aislinn McCabe-Corrow (aislinn.mccabe.corrow@gmail.com) on Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 16:33:05

address: 171 Austin St, Atp 3

comments: Hello! As a resident of Portsmouth I wanted to voice my support for the addition of a bike lane on Peaverly Hill Road. I believe that for any growing city developing safe roadways for diverse modes of travel is essential! Portsmouth should be encouraging people to ride bicycles, not only for recreation, but to give people options for getting around as more people move to the area. Thank you for your consideration. -Aislinn

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REMOTE_ADDR: 66.30.228.224

From: [Dylan Thomas via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peverly Hill Bike Lane
Date: Saturday, April 17, 2021 6:20:01 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Dylan Thomas (dylandthomas@gmail.com) on Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 17:19:58

address: 279 Wibird St

comments: Dear City Council,
I came out last weekend to support the cyclists who gathered to bike the one mile stretch of Peverly Hill. It is currently a perilous road for cyclists. A bike path would make this essential connector in our neighborhood indisputably safer. As a cyclist and a physician, I strongly urge you to put the safety of your residents first. Thank you for your consideration,
Dylan Thomas

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REMOTE_ADDR: 75.68.180.107

From: [Jeremiah Johnson via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peverly Hill Bike Lane
Date: Monday, April 19, 2021 11:06:00 AM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Jeremiah Johnson (flashjohnson@comcast.net) on Monday, April 19, 2021 at 10:05:58

address: 4 Fairview Drive

comments: Please do not make the short sited decision to remove more planned bike infrastructure from our streets. In doing so you would be capitulating to the voices of a few rather than considering ALL of the residents of our vibrant town. In it's current condition Peverly Hill Road is dangerous for biking due to its narrow shoulder, undulating topography, and the rate of speed that many cars travel on it. However, it is an important artery to connect neighborhoods on the outskirts of town in closer to the downtown. Many of you claim to be out there fighting for the greater good of ALL the residents in town and now would seem like an easy time to prove that. Limiting bike infrastructure on Peverly Hill Road will limit the variety and amount of residents that are able to use the road.

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REMOTE_ADDR: 74.92.59.37

From: [Mary Malloy via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peverly Hill bike lane
Date: Saturday, April 17, 2021 5:55:49 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Mary Malloy (mrymlly@yahoo.com) on Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 16:55:47

address: 24 Kensington Road

comments: Please, please keep in place the plan that would give cyclists an actual protected bike lane on Peverly Hill Road. Cyclists and motorists are both far better off if they don't have to share physical space. Let's promote Portsmouth as being a genuinely healthy, safe place for all to enjoy.

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From: [Dean Colburn via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peverly Hill Project
Date: Sunday, April 18, 2021 11:09:27 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Dean Colburn (Deancolburn@hotmail.com) on Sunday, April 18, 2021 at 22:09:25

address: 287 Peverly Hill Road Portsmouth

comments: In my opinion the Peverly Hill Road project has gotten out of hand. The original request was a sidewalk. Not a multi use lane, not a bike path, just a sidewalk. My desire is to treat Peverly Hill Road like Islington St and Woodbury Ave. The city narrowed the road in an effort to slow traffic and added or improved the sidewalks on those streets. There will be a rail trail that runs behind Peverly Hill Road, that is where a bike path makes sense, away from the trucks and traffic of Peverly Hill.
Adding sidewalks, bike path and multi use lane will make the street wider, that will only increase speed. I hope the council considers the impact this project would have on us, the residents of Peverly Hill Road.

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REMOTE_ADDR: 71.192.186.41

From: [Jessica Dickey via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peverly Hill Rd
Date: Sunday, April 18, 2021 8:29:50 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Jessica Dickey (jessjanice@gmail.com) on Sunday, April 18, 2021 at 19:29:48

address: 13 Denise St

comments: Please vote to compete the Peverly Hill Rd bicycling lane project

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REMOTE_ADDR: 72.65.101.170

From: [Anne Schwartzman via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peverly Hill Rd improvements
Date: Saturday, April 17, 2021 9:12:03 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Anne Schwartzman (akey5@nycap.rr.com) on Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 20:12:01

address: 118 Spinnaker Way

comments: Portsmouth must strive to live up to a "Complete Streets" initiative and improve the Peverly Hill road with a sidewalk and a separated bike/pedestrian path. There is no question in my mind that our state and city have a long way to go to to even come close to being a pedestrian, bike, and sustainable friendly place. Please do what is right for people. People without gas powered vehicles have as much a right to safe pathways as those with. Do your job on behalf of those who live in this great city. Be bold; make our lives better!

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REMOTE_ADDR: 174.58.101.77

From: [Mary McIver via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peverly Hill Rd upgrade
Date: Saturday, April 17, 2021 5:04:31 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Mary McIver (mimic315@aol.com) on Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 16:04:29

address: 315 Richards Ave.

comments: Dear City Councilors:

I understand that the time has come to finalize decisions on the Peverly Hill Rd. upgrade. I'm calling it an upgrade because it seems to me such a good idea to improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists along that essential piece of road. Having a designated bike trail as well as sidewalk seems so practical, given the number of businesses along Rte 1 and the recent re-location of the Post Office to Heritage Ave. Also, the City isn't starting from scratch--the plan has been in the works for a decade. Let's make it easier for pedestrians and cyclists to get from one part of the city to another. I urge you to move ahead to complete the project with a bike lane as well as sidewalk.

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REMOTE_ADDR: 66.30.231.52

From: [steven j detrolio via FormMail.com](mailto:steven.j.detrolio@formmail.com)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: peverly hill rd.
Date: Sunday, April 18, 2021 8:28:32 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
steven j detrolio (2ndstate@gmail.com) on Sunday, April 18, 2021 at 19:28:29

address: 54 taft rd

comments: One of the first things I noticed about Portsmouth when I moved here 2 decades ago was how unfriendly it was for bikes and pedestrians. Since then, the city has been trying to address this unfortunate situation. I urge the council to approve a plan for the development of Peverly Hill Rd. that includes a separated bike/pedestrian path. As anyone who bikes in Portsmouth can tell you, getting from one part of town to another can be challenging because of the way the roads are designed (with ONLY automobile traffic in mind.) This is an important stretch of road in that it serves as a connector between different parts of town. It would be a sadly missed opportunity if the council were to choose to ignore the changing face of personal transportation and neglect to include the needs of bikes/pedestrians in this development. Please consider the needs of all residents, not just the ones who drive automobiles.

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From: [Steve Gerhartz via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peverly Hill Rd
Date: Saturday, April 17, 2021 6:50:48 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Steve Gerhartz (Steve.gerhartz@gmail.com) on Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 17:50:46

address: 118 Pepperrell Rd Kittery Point ME

comments: The tide is turning and bicycle use will continue to grow. Portsmouth is behind the curve.

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From: [Stephen Parsons via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peverly Hill Road Bike Lane
Date: Sunday, April 18, 2021 8:37:07 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Stephen Parsons (Parsons_se@yahoo.com) on Sunday, April 18, 2021 at 19:37:05

address: 160 Essex Ave

comments: Please incorporate the bike lane as designed in the updating of Peverly Hill Rd. As someone in the neighbor with small children I wish there was more safe travel space for kids to ride bikes in this city. If your not going to put the bike space in why spend the money to add the sidewalk since that alone will not open the space to many people. Let's try and get it right the first time instead of only get part way there. The sidewalk alone does not really make it comfortable for little kids to ride down. For example the new sidewalk down islington from the bypass to plains field is nice, but there is zero space for bikes and if I ride down the sidewalk with my three and six year old kids I am still very nervous for their safety. Cars only seam inches away in spots, driving at high speed even though the posted speed limit is 30mph no one does that. Peverly Hill Rd is a very similar road I hope we can do better, It would be the first step in opening up many business !
on rt1 to pedestrians.

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From: [David via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peverly Hill Road Complete Street Project
Date: Monday, April 19, 2021 8:12:37 AM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
David (dbikera55@gmail.com) on Monday, April 19, 2021 at 07:12:31

address: 383 Union St

comments: I am writing to express my strong support for continuing with final design and construction of the Complete Street vision for Peverly Hill Road that includes both the shared use path and sidewalk. Once again we have a Mayor and 4 South End City Councilors who are quick to ignore years of planning and public input that have gone into the City's Masterplan, the City's Bicycle/Pedestrian Masterplan, the City's Complete Streets Policy and the planning and design process for this particular project. In addition to the disregard for good governance, there is clearly a lack of concern for the safety of children and the casual cyclist that will be using this corridor for accessing the plains ball fields and playground, the YMCA, the City's new Recreation Fields behind DPW, the Railtrail and the potential future Skate park at stump dump site and commercial amenities on Lafayette Road. This corridor, which already includes residential and industrial uses, is in the process of seeing a significant increase in residential development that will even further increase the need for a multi-modal approach to street design in this area. That all said, the potential cost implications to this project based on the cavalier Kennedy proposal, with no technical or professional input, stands to once again jeopardize a significant grant and cost all of the tax payers more money. Please vote to proceed with the project in a manner that safely accomodates pedestrians, bicyclists and vehicular traffic and let the professionals work with the project abutters to build a complete street on Peverly Hill.

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From: [Jonathan Sandberg via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peverly Hill Road Complete Streets
Date: Sunday, April 18, 2021 12:09:20 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Jonathan Sandberg (jfsandberg@yahoo.com) on Sunday, April 18, 2021 at 11:09:18

address: 160 Bartlett Street

comments: Earth Day is on April, 22 this coming Thursday and is a day to demonstrate support for environmental protection. While there are many threats to the environment, none are more pressing than climate change. And according to the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, the transportation sector accounts for 47% of our state's greenhouse gas emissions and dwarfs all other sources. One of the remediations they recommend is the implementation of Complete Streets to encourage more active transportation. Quoting from the NH DES website:

“Complete Streets is a philosophy that guides community, planning and transportation agencies to consider and incorporate safe access to destinations for everyone, regardless of age or ability, or mode of transportation, when feasible. Complete Streets are streets designed and operated to enable safe use and support mobility for all users. Those include people of all ages and abilities, regardless of whether they are travelling as drivers, pedestrians, bicyclists, or public transportation riders. The concept of Complete Streets encompasses many approaches to planning, designing and operating roadways and rights of way with all users in mind to make the transportation network safer and more efficient. Complete Street policies are set at the state, regional and local levels and are frequently supported by roadway design guidelines. See the national Complete Streets website for more information.”

On your agenda for your meeting on the week of Earth Day is the opportunity to create a complete street on Peverly Hill Road. This is a critical opportunity to enable more people of all ages to safely and comfortably move about the city without the aid of an automobile. This will help people save money, get exercise, reduce traffic and parking congestion, improve safety, promote community, all while reducing air pollution and carbon emissions.

So do the right thing and vote to make Peverly Hill Road a complete street that safely accommodates pedestrians, bikes, and cars.

Thank you,

Jonathan Sandberg
160 Bartlett Street

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From: [Gary Woods via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peverly Hill Road Project Support
Date: Sunday, April 18, 2021 8:23:33 AM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Gary Woods (gwoods24@comcast.net) on Sunday, April 18, 2021 at 07:23:30

address: 9 Elizabeth Lane, Kittery Point, ME

comments: This email expresses my support for the multi-use plan for Peverly Hill Road for a sidewalk and a separated bike/pedestrian path and I encourage the Council to approve this plan as part of the comprehensive Bicycle and Pedestrian plan adopted by the city in 2014.
Although not a Portsmouth resident I regularly visit Portsmouth for shopping, entertainment and recreation. This is good use of federal funds.

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From: [Gerald Duffy via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peverly Hill Road project
Date: Saturday, April 17, 2021 4:57:45 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Gerald Duffy (Gduffy44@gmail.com) on Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 15:57:43

address: 428 Pleasant St, Unit 3

comments: Mayor and Councilors:

It is not a good thing when councilors take on the role of traffic engineers. Thanks to your recent decisions vehicular traffic is now moving faster along Middle Street, trending upwards. That is the opposite of advocating safety. It is actually dangerous.

With respect to the Peverly Hill Road project, contrary to Councilor Kennedy's claims, the majority of residents are not opposed to the design option they themselves preferred during public input sessions. Bicyclists are drivers, pedestrians, and residents too. Many of us also live on streets where vehicles travel too fast. Bicyclists completely understand residents' concerned. It would help if certain councilors would not frame these project-related issues as bicyclists versus residents. It could not be further from the truth.

As elected officials, you are charged with enacting the best and safest policies. Please vote to continue with the current plan. There is no good reason, other than political, not too. The residents have been asking for a safer road for decades. You must also take into account the needs of the community at large. Please make that happen in the most expeditious way and stick with the program. Thank you.

Regards,
Gerald Duffy

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From: [Thomas Smart via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peveryly Hill Road
Date: Sunday, April 18, 2021 7:42:54 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Thomas Smart (tomsmart123@msn.com) on Sunday, April 18, 2021 at 18:42:51

address: 133 Lincoln Ave.

comments: I am disappointed that the city council is even considering the sidewalk-only option. If the shared use option is eliminated, it will be tempting for a cyclist to resort to riding on the sidewalk, even though it is illegal and dangerous.

Some years ago there was a serious collision between a cyclist and a motor vehicle at the intersection of Islington St and Cabot. An adult cyclist was heading downhill on the sidewalk and collided with a motorist making a left turn into the former gasoline station. It was necessary to call for an ambulance. There are three similar intersections on Peveryly Hill Road at the bottom of steep downhills that pose the same danger, to a speeding cyclist on a sidewalk.

If the council decides on sidewalk-only, then they should include wider shoulders on the road to allow for more distance between the traffic and the cyclists.

Tom Smart

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From: [James Lee via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peverly Hill Road
Date: Saturday, April 17, 2021 7:03:23 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
James Lee (jamesleetn@gmail.com) on Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 18:03:18

address: 520 Sagamore Avenue

comments: I believe the actual people who live on Peverly Hill Road and Portsmouth residents have spoken on this issue.

We want a sidewalk along Peverly Road and nothing else.

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From: [Charlotte Bouvier via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peverly Hill Road
Date: Monday, April 19, 2021 6:13:01 AM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Charlotte Bouvier (cbouvier12@msn.com) on Monday, April 19, 2021 at 05:12:58

address: 1001 Islington St, Apt 31

comments: Please keep the plan with the sidewalk and a separated bike/pedestrian path for Peverly Hill Rd. The plan with both safe pedestrian and bike access will give more alternate to single occupancy vehicle and is a critical link to safe travel on bike.

thank you.

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From: [Michael Derhammer via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peverly Hill Separated Lane
Date: Monday, April 19, 2021 9:58:52 AM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Michael Derhammer (mderhammer@stonerandrews.com) on Monday, April 19, 2021 at 08:58:50

address: 280 Thaxter Rd

comments: To All on the City Council:

I would like to discuss the projected improvements on Peverly Hill Rd. I understand that recently there has been a sudden change to the 12 years worth of planning for the upgrade to this section of road with the removal of a planned "separate shared use lane." I strongly urge the council to reinstate the plan with the inclusion of a separate shared use lane.

When deliberating please consider the following:

1. Greater tax revenue in the future: This area will soon be the site of 57 new housing units by TF Moran. Please see article from the Portsmouth Herald , February 12th. 57 new homes will certainly need a safe mode of transportation to the shopping centers at the intersection of Peverly and Rt 1. The Moran plan plainly cites their dedication to link the development to the Boston Maine Rail Trail. If the the Moran development is marketing to cyclists then a protected lane will absolutely be a value improving item. We all know a greater property value means a greater tax revenue.
2. Safety: Peverly Rd as it stands is winding, and prone to overspeeding. It is not an attractive area to walk, jog, cycle, or skate. The addition of a lane that will accommodate alternate modes of transportation will be of greater service to the broader community. For those that would argue "we do not see that use now," it is only because currently Peverly Hill Rd is unsafe for any use aside from driving. Council member Whelan, this should be of especial note to you.
- 3.Opportunity/Convenience: As this will be new construction the town has an opportunity to shape the project, rather than retrofit to community needs. Going with the original project plan, including a separate use lane, now is the most cost effective.
4. Value: In both financial and moral sense. A separate lane improves the value of Portsmouth. In a moral sense this is the expansion of access to young people, and those without a vehicle. Giving greater access to the YMCA and to the shopping centers at Market Basket (for work and commerce). In the fiscal sense a separate lane will improve our standing for "Clean Air/Environmental grants," as well as improve home values along Peverly and into Elwyn Park.

To close, please do not let this decision be about the previous battle over "Bike Lanes." I know that there was a great deal of acrimony. The Councilors may still harbor those feeling and categorically reject any projects including the word "Bike." This is a separate issue and a golden chance to serve the Whole community. Though small, this the inclusion of a separate multi use lane will, as I stated, improve:

1 Tax revenue, 2.Safety, 3. Opportunity/Convenience, 4. Community Values.

Truly,
Michael Derhammer.

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From: [Sue Allen via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peverly Hill Sidewalk and Shared Use Path
Date: Monday, April 19, 2021 7:55:16 AM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Sue Allen (Ssallen53@gmail.com) on Monday, April 19, 2021 at 06:55:15

address: 383 Union St

comments: I am writing with concerns about the direction Councilors Huda and Kennedy are once again heading. In regard to the Peverly Hill Sidewalk and Shared Use Path. This project has been in planning and design for over 10 years with funding coming from a federal grant.

Once again they think they know better than the professionals, and do not want to build safe streets for cyclists and pedestrians in Portsmouth.

My son and his family live in Elwyn Park. They bicycle to the rail trail and have to use Peverly Hill Road to access the trails. As a grandparent it does not sit well with me that this council would vote against a shared use path on Peverly Hill Road.

Looking at development in this area; 50 unit residential development, possible skate park, future fields, existing ball fields and playground, YMCA, rail trail, and the Urban Forestry , we need to protect our children so they can safely access these areas.

Why wouldnâ€™t we do that now, instead of once again undoing what has been designed and going backwards in building a safer community for our children.

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From: [Kathleen Anania via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peverly Hill Upgrade & Bike Lane Project
Date: Saturday, April 17, 2021 6:05:20 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Kathleen Anania (Katanania@gmail.com) on Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 17:05:18

address: 421 Striped Bass Ave Portsmouth

comments: Dear City Council Members,

I travel this road daily, sometimes 4 times a day, and definitely on the weekends when I patronize all the businesses that connect to Banfield/Constitution/Heritage Ave where the post office is located.

Last Saturday nearly 50 people came out to bike this one mile stretch of road that connects neighborhoods, businesses, athletic facilities, and the rail trail. It is an essential link in the Bicycle and Pedestrian plan adopted by the city in 2014, and most funding for the road work would come from a federal grant to provide alternatives to single-occupancy vehicles.

This project has been through an extensive public and professional process, and we urge the council to move it forward with safe space for people on bikes.

We the residents urge you to move forward with this project without hesitation.

Thank you,
Kathleen Anania

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From: [Susan MacDougall via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peverly Road Bike and Pedestrian Way
Date: Sunday, April 18, 2021 9:52:02 AM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Susan MacDougall (susan.p.macdougall@gmail.com) on Sunday, April 18, 2021 at 08:51:56

address: 39 Pray St

comments: Please Please vote in favor of the proposal to make a combined wide bike and pedestrian way along Peverly road. This is an important connector for those of us who ride bikes in the Seacoast and a very dangerous one as it is currently configured. Traffic calming and Pedestrian/Bike first designs make for a more people-centric community. This will enhance the experience and safety of those living on Peverly Road as well.

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From: [Nick Tulloh via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peverly
Date: Saturday, April 17, 2021 5:27:21 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Nick Tulloh (nicktulloh@comcast.net) on Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 16:27:19

address: 311 Newmarket Rd, Durham

comments: Please incorporate the bike path option. It's the future.

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From: [Roy W.Helsel via FormMail.com](mailto:Roy.W.Helsel@formmail.com)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Peverly Hill Rd
Date: Monday, April 19, 2021 1:48:24 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Roy W.Helsel (royhelsel@aol.com) on Monday, April 19, 2021 at 12:48:21

address: 777 Middle Rd Unit 22

comments: City Mayor and City Council: I don't understand who or what is used to determine what streets will have bike lanes or not.

Islington lost bike lanes it had because of the wide sidewalks that were added during the upgrade of the street. To calm down traffic on Peverly Hill Rd. the city could use the same type of speed bumps such as found on Maplewood Ave, and a shared walkway with the bikes could be done on Peverly roadway. If I am not mistaken, when Mr. Rice introduced the Maplewood speed bumps he stated they they were a nationally accepted method for calming neighborhood traffic.

In response to a recent posting of mine on the Neighborhood web-cite (in which I spoke of the use of the speed bumps on Peverly) somebody wrote that the speed bumps would cause a problem for the cement trucks and semi-trucks that travel this neighborhood St. My answer to that is, Peverly Hill Rd. is a neighborhood street which these trucks are using to reach a destination and slowing down and calming vehicle traffic is consequently one of the main objectives here. This would slow down the traffic and would not have to take away most of the front yards, while giving the residents a sidewalk shared with bikes in the same project. I don't believe that the elaborate design that was submitted a few years ago is anything that the residents really want or need for this project.

One other Item I have is that when the city puts out its Daily News Letter it would be helpful to have separate listings in the beginning of the letter highlighting of the new topics contained in it. This would help those of us who read it to know what is new besides the repeated information that is posted in it. I've also sent a letter to the City Manager on this subject.

Thank You

Roy W. Helsel

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REMOTE_ADDR: 72.65.101.141

From: [Annie Poubeau via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Portsmouth kids
Date: Sunday, April 18, 2021 12:29:18 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Annie Poubeau (jalognes@hotmail.com) on Sunday, April 18, 2021 at 11:29:15

address: 160 Bartlett

comments: Dear Mayor and Councilors,

I think we can all agree that we want our children to grow up healthy and in a fair environment. With this in mind, we must give them safe and inclusive spaces for them to walk, play, express themselves. My letter to you today addresses three items, all related to improving infrastructure for the benefit of future Portsmouth generations. First, I want to thank the City Council, the Parking and Traffic Safety Committee and the Department of Public Works for their efforts to reduce speed on Middle Road. I do not live on Middle Road, but I do ride my bike sometimes on the portion between Middle Street and Spinney Road and I have witnessed several high-speed motorists before. I was pleased to ride this morning and see the bollards that are a small but hopeful step in the right direction. Thank you.

My second point is about the upcoming Peverley Hill Road project. Motorists speed up on this road; a multi-use path would make it so families and kids could safely walk up and down their streets. It would add value to their neighborhood instead of being seen as a "thru street." It would connect to other areas such as Middle Road, Islington, the Rail Trail and on the other side of Route 1, the Urban Forestry center. More people walk and bike = fewer cars around and fewer reasons for people to complain about congested streets and parking. Please, Mr Mayor and City Councilors, support option 2 of the Peverley Hill Road project.

Finally, I would like to give my thanks to the group of parents and kids who have been working on the skateboard park project. I ask the Council tonight to vote in favor of their submission and to fully endorse their initiatives. And with a multi-use path on Peverly Hill Road, kids can ride their bikes safely to the new skate park off of Route 33. Thank you for reading this letter. Now go outside and play.

Annie Poubeau

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REMOTE_ADDR: 71.168.112.174

From: [Karen Conard](#)
To: [Valerie A. French](#)
Cc: [Jessica S. Griffin](#); [Joanna Diemer](#)
Subject: RE: panelist invites
Date: Monday, April 19, 2021 12:18:01 PM

Thanks Val!

From: Valerie A. French
Sent: Monday, April 19, 2021 12:17 PM
To: Karen Conard <kconard@cityofportsmouth.com>
Cc: Jessica S. Griffin <jsgriffin@cityofportsmouth.com>
Subject: panelist invites
Importance: High

Good afternoon Karen,

Panelist invitations were sent to Carl Diemer and Steve Marison at 12:12 PM this afternoon for the 6:00PM Work Session tonight.

Valerie A. French

Deputy City Clerk
(603) 610-7208

From: [Leanne gray via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Sidewalk/bike path
Date: Sunday, April 18, 2021 3:55:40 AM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Leanne gray (Leannegray@gmail.com) on Sunday, April 18, 2021 at 02:55:38

address: 49 Rockingham st

comments: Please vote to approve a Combination sidewalk/bike path on Beverly Road.

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Engage: Submit

REMOTE_ADDR: 73.234.7.115

From: [Margaret Flaherty via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Skate Park
Date: Monday, April 19, 2021 1:57:29 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Margaret Flaherty (Maggie.flaherty@gmail.com) on Monday, April 19, 2021 at 12:57:27

address: 860 Maplewood

comments: Dear Councilors:

I am writing in support of pursuing a new skate park in Portsmouth. The current park is not adequate or easily accessible to our youth. I listened in on the recreation committee meeting at which the skate park was discussed and was impressed with the presentation/commentary by our city's youth and other advocates of this project. As a parent of a 10 year-old who loves to skateboard, I feel this would be a wonderful addition to our city. As a school counselor (at a school with a skate park on-site), I have seen the social and emotional benefits of a designated place for our youth to gather, learn and practice new skills, and build strong community ties.

Sincerely,
Maggie Flaherty

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REMOTE_ADDR: 71.233.82.57

From: [Andrew Bagley via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Skate Park at old stump dump
Date: Monday, April 19, 2021 7:53:11 AM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Andrew Bagley (abagley21@gmail.com) on Monday, April 19, 2021 at 06:53:09

address: 40 Chauncey Stret

comments: Dear Honorable Mayor, Assistant Mayor, and City Council,

As a father I wholeheartedly support the creation of a skatepark for our kids to use at the old stump dump. This would be a big win for the city.

Best regards,
Andrew

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From: [Amy-Mae Court via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Skatepark at the stump dump
Date: Monday, April 19, 2021 8:20:22 AM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Amy-Mae Court (amymaemessage@gmail.com) on Monday, April 19, 2021 at 07:20:20

address: 47 Taft Road

comments: Dear Mayor and Council Members,
I am once again writing to you in favor of building a skatepark. I attended the Recreation Board meeting last week when they unanimously agreed that the stump dump was a prime location, and I agree. The presentation was thorough, with an ample amount of consideration for other spots in town, settling on the stump dump. Let's make Portsmouth even better with the addition of a skatepark. I am more than willing to donate my time for this project. Thank you for your time!

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From: [Neil Snow via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Skatepark of Portsmouth
Date: Monday, April 19, 2021 9:44:57 AM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Neil Snow (neilsnow@mac.com) on Monday, April 19, 2021 at 08:44:56

address: 49 Market Street, #4

comments: Count me in for supporting this!

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From: [Larry Drake via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Spinnaker Point Recreation Center
Date: Thursday, April 15, 2021 6:24:10 AM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by
Larry Drake (larrydrake57@gmail.com) on Thursday, April 15, 2021 at 05:24:08

address: 579 Sagamore Ave., Unit 20, Portsmouth

comments: I have used the Spinnaker Point Recreation Center for quite a few years and have definitely enjoyed it and benefited from it. Of course, due to the pandemic, it has been closed. I urge the City Council to support measures to ensure that the Center is fully compliant with all appropriate regulations and the like, especially concerning air quality, so that it can re-open in a timely fashion. Maybe there is money from the American Rescue Plan Act that could be dedicated to this. I would happily pay significantly more in membership fees (I think the last time I paid, it was \$100 a year, which is extremely low, in my view) so that this could happen.

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From: [Eugene Zakharov & John Tilton via FormMail.com](#)
To: [Mayor Becksted](#); [CC - Splaine](#); [cc McEachern](#); [CC-Peter Whelan](#); [CC - Cliff Lazenby](#); [CC - Kennedy](#); [CC - Huda](#); [CC-John Tabor](#); [CC-Paige Trace](#); [City Council](#); [CityCouncil Clerk](#)
Subject: Support for current design for Peverly Hill Rd. Complete Street Project
Date: Sunday, April 18, 2021 10:55:07 PM

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by Eugene Zakharov & John Tilton (zakharov.eugene@gmail.com) on Sunday, April 18, 2021 at 21:55:04

address: 541 Peverly Hill Road, Portsmouth NH 03801

comments: Greetings City Councilors —

My name is Eugene Zakharov. My partner, John Tilton, and I own and reside at 541 Peverly Hill Rd. One of our neighbors today brought to our attention that there was a City Council vote on April 5th (following the project walkthrough on April 3rd) requesting a delay in a Public Necessity Hearing and asking for an additional report regarding the installation of just a sidewalk along the roadway. Our neighbor also mentioned that there appears to be a misconception that people on our street are not in support of the project or the current design.

I'd like to understand the opposition, if that is indeed the case, because that's not what we are hearing and that's not the impression we received at the walkthrough or other discussions.

Moreover, and specifically the neighbors that we have spoken to, including Carol Ruesswick at 545 Peverly, Laura Frazer at 539 Peverly, Julia and Jay Goldsmith at 515 Peverly – among many others – have been in support of the project and the current design.

There are at least two issues with just having a sidewalk along the roadway. First, one of the main reasons for the project is to reduce the speed on the road. By eliminating the multiuse lane and widening the roadway to accommodate bikes in it, we are going to potentially have the opposite effect with creating more space, straighter path for speeding. Second, the town will still need to obtain all easements and it's not going to be better for the owners who are most impacted anyway.

We'd rather not be wasting time for additional design and other options – it's been 20 years in the making. I'd like to voice our support of the project and hope for an expedient resolution and moving to the next steps of approval and implementation.

Thank you in advance,
Eugene Zakharov and John Tilton
541 Peverly Hill Rd., Portsmouth NH
603-674-975

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