

# MEMORANDUM

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Re: Weekly Report

- Met with Nate Covey along with Ryan and the Village Ventures partners. He asserted AOT ownership of the shoulder on the RTE 5 frontage and that spaces would not be allowed to be painted. As far as streetscape improvements like bump outs, street trees, and more crosswalks he said the state policy is that those things are fine and that if the Town wants to take over the highway we could pretty much do what we wanted but currently state policy is to keep the ROW wide and unobstructed. The two projects in question should not be a problem and should receive 1111 permitting as a matter of course. I told Austin after the meeting that as far as the town is concerned they can count on street parking on Route 5 under our bylaw so long as the frontage is not obstructed by crosswalks, hydrants, or drives and meets the 20 foot length requirement for a stall.
- Bridge+Main public hearing last Wednesday went as predicted and we did have a supportive turnout. Notice of Decision is signed and the clock is running on the appeal period. Approval was made for a five year master plan, although Jonah has said that terms of his funding required all phases to be complete within twenty four months. This just about completes a demo/rehab program for what could be considered Fairlee's slum. Congrats should go all the way around on this, it never would have happened without the support of the public and Town government.
- Met with Susannah Howard and Kate Duesterberg concerning a lot line adjustment between two parcels on Hebbard Road with the intent that the portion in the wildlife corridor will be sold to the Upper Valley Land Trust. From my point of view this is an easy administrative permit.
- I will be on vacation from the 20<sup>th</sup> through January 2<sup>nd</sup> and intend to close out the year over this week. If there is anything you need before the New Year please let me know.
- Built efile 02-00-45.