

Forward Sunapee Harbor Reconfiguration



OBJECTIVE / PURPOSE

- ❑ Pick up on the Charette's findings
- ❑ For the purposes of the Harbor area, this was to consider a more energized village district during the summer season which could be economically viable year-round.
- ❑ A number of moving parts involved including several different property ownership entities. All are relevant and interdependent.
- ❑ This is a multi-year thought process.



PARKING

- If additional business, service, and recreational uses are part of the ultimate plan, parking will be an important issue.
- Sites for additional parking have been explored. We believe there are potential options which need further research.

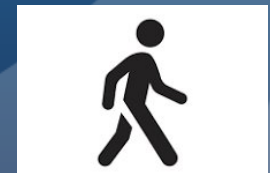


IMPROVING PEDESTRIAN ENVIRONMENT

- A part of injecting “Energy” into the harbor requires improving the Pedestrian environment. How? In part, by mitigating vehicle traffic.

1. Reduce Boat Launch Traffic

- Sunapee harbor bears the brunt of the lake’s boat launches. LSPA figures show the harbor ramp handles +/- 55% of the lake’s 3 main launch points. We might be able to reduce this.
- Improve State beach launch site...it is in poor condition and not well used
There is already a plan (and funds) for such improvement;
- A letter to the state has been crafted with select board support. Hoping to get Newbury and New London on board before connecting with the State to pursue further.
- An improved state beach ramp could be a preferred launch site...
- Potential boat launch/trailer parking fee for non-residents...



PEDESTRIAL ENVIRONMENT (cont'd)

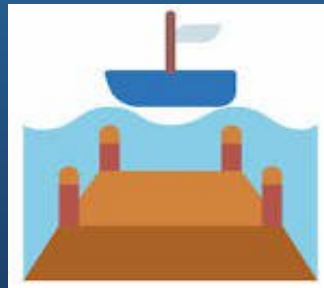
2. Beech Street Extension

- Would allow Lake Ave/Burkehaven Hill residents an exit-way without going thru the harbor...thereby mitigating some vehicle traffic flow.
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EXPANSION OF TOWN DOCKS

- ❑ Public boat slips currently inadequate; many boaters don't "take the chance" of coming in by water due to unavailability of parking...
- ❑ Town is already considering a dock expansion...
- ❑ We believe +/- 20 spaces would be well used and serve to bring into the harbor (consumer) pedestrian traffic.



RE-PURPOSE PARKING LOT PARCEL ADJACENT TO THE TOWN DOCKS

- ❑ Harbor's most desirable land is presently used for parking.
- ❑ Re-purposing a portion of it to green space would be a more attractive and inviting use...promoting pedestrian traffic.
- ❑ A better merging with the green space to the right of the restrooms, would create a more effective music venue and more logical recreational area.
- ❑ The Gazebo parcel is an awkward recreational site due to its slope. Bands play downhill to an audience looking up hill. This scenario could be flipped around...
- ❑ Gazebo itself not a practical (or desirable) structure for bands...
- ❑ Lots of moving parts...will require much more thinking

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FINAL COMMENT

- This presentation is to show the thinking process to date.
- Nothing is planned; any and all of it should be considered fluid and evolving.
- We will continue to meet regularly to complete further research. Will focus on a viable plan for the town-owned lakefront parcel and other related issues.

