



Shore Road Pathway Study Committee

Introduction

In late May 2007, the Roadway Safety Working Group proposed that a number of projects in the community “be given high priority for immediate funding and construction.” One of the recommended projects is an off road pathway on Shore Road between the town center and Fort Williams Park. Due to the intricacies of the potential pathway, the committee recommended and the Town Council agreed that a committee of citizens should be formed to study the potential for creating an off road path adjacent to Shore Road that should be designed “with sensitivity to the character of Shore Road and in collaboration with property owners abutting Shore Road.

Committee Structure

The Shore Road Pathway Committee shall consist of nine persons. The Town Council, following a recommendation from the Appointments Committee, shall appoint seven citizens. The citizens shall include multiple residents/and/or property owners from within the Shore Road corridor and adjacent streets and shall be broadly representative of the entire community. The Town Council Chairman and the Conservation Commission Chair shall each designate one representative of their bodies to serve on the committee. The committee shall appoint its own chair and secretary. The Town Planner shall be the principal staff person for the committee.

Committee Charge

The committee shall study the potential for creating an off road path adjacent to Shore Road that should be designed with sensitivity to the character of Shore Road and in collaboration with property owners abutting Shore Road.

The committee shall at the conclusion of its collaborative process present to the Town Council a path plan that includes a recommended path layout, recommendations for path surface(s), recommendations for any mitigation needed and a cost estimate.

Other Provisions

The committee shall provide a progress report to the Town Council six months after the first meeting of the committee. The committee shall serve until June 30, 2009 and any extension to this time shall be determined by the Town Council.

The Town Manager in FY 2008 shall make available financial resources from the Roadway/Drainage projects account to assist the committee with its work. The Town Council will consider an appropriation for the committee’s work in FY 2009 as part of the FY 2009 budget process.