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**Washington Street Revitalization  
Construction Update - 11**

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During the period from October 27, 2008 to November 21, 2008 work on the Washington Street revitalization project has progressed at the intersection of Washington and Sherman Street and throughout the entire Downtown Streetscape.

Work has included the construction of the concrete sidewalks and ramps at Sherman Street. The existing mast arm and pedestrian pole base foundations are being excavated to a 12" depth below the proposed surface. The missing sections of concrete where these bases are located are being prepped for new concrete. The southwest corner of the intersection (library side) has been prepped and is scheduled for pavers to be installed.

A new area drain has been installed in the sidewalk directly in front of 634 Washington Street to help alleviate the ponding of water. An area drain has also been installed at Forge Pond in the paver area next to the northern side of the park (Centerfield's). This too will help alleviate the ponding of water caused by the existing bridge deck sidewalk.

The proposed park at the Canton Housing Authority has begun. The area has been excavated and existing curbing has been removed to make the park accessible from both the driveway and the sidewalk. The existing granite steps have been reset and will be sandblasted at a later date with the inscriptions: "Canton High School 1911-1950" and "Hemingway School 1950-1981". The foundations for granite seats were poured and the concrete pads for the benches were also poured. The park has been graded and prepped for pavers.

Marchese has replaced all D-Frame catch basins with a square frame. Sewer and drain manhole frame and covers have been replaced and adjusted to grade within the roadway. All water boxes and valve stem covers have been replaced and adjusted to grade.

The Town's roadway paver, P.J. Keating, has paved the surface of the roadway from Walnut Street down to Sherman Street on Washington and up Church Street to Cape Cod Lane and back down Neponset Street to Washington.

Marchese's traffic subcontractor, Bell Traffic, has excavated and installed the proposed mast arm bases at Church Street and Neponset Street. Temporary lights at Revere Street were constructed in order to remove the existing mast arm and signals. The proposed mast arm base is going in the location of the existing mast arm. The existing mast arm and signals were removed and the base has been excavated. A new mast arm base was poured at Revere Street in front of McDaid's Insurance.

All the wiring and mast arms were installed at Sherman Street. The signals have also been installed and are fully functional. The existing mast arms and signals were removed. Bell Traffic has started working at the intersection of Bolivar and Washington Street.

Marchese's electrical subcontractor, Carlton Electric, has been installing conduit and wire at the intersection of Sherman Street. All bollard lights and receptacles have been installed. All conduit and wire at the Canton Housing Authority Park has been installed. The bollard lights and the flag pole lights have been installed.

Marchese's subcontractor, Cavalieri, has set the detectable warning pavers at Sherman Street. The pavers are to be set at Sherman Street immediately following the excavation of the existing mast arm and pedestrian pole bases. The bollards have been installed at Sherman Street and at the Canton Housing Authority Park. The granite seat wall has been installed at the proposed Canton Housing Authority Park. Pavers are also being set around the installed bike racks.

The rumble pavers within the flush granite curb islands on Washington Street immediately south of Bolivar Street have been installed. The mortared joints are progressing and should be completed by Thanksgiving (weather permitting).

The kiosk was installed at the corner of Bolivar and Washington Street by E.A. Colangeli. The reset existing railings at the stairs leading to Walgreen's were removed. The new handrails were installed by DeAngelis Iron Work.

Marchese's signage subcontractor, Liddell Brothers Inc., has been installing regulatory and safety signs from the railroad tracks down towards Sherman Street. The managed parking signs on the east side of Washington Street from Walnut to Church Street have been temporarily taped to remove the afternoon hours. New signs without the afternoon hours are scheduled to be installed. The new street signs and existing Fallen Hero's signs have been installed. A few remaining green poles and signs are scheduled to be reset and new ones are being added.

Liddell is also the contractor's painting and marking subcontractor. All the centerlines on Washington Street and side streets have been painted. The new parking stalls and handicap spaces have been marked. The handicap symbols, a few remaining spaces, and the adjustment of one parking space at Forge Pond Park remains. The temporary crosswalks have been painted using marking paint. Thermoplastic paint, same as centerlines and parking spaces, shall be used in the spring upon completion of the granite curb and paver crosswalks.

Marchese's landscaper, Arello Inc., has installed landscaping at the granite planter on Sherman Street. They have also seeded the disturbed areas in front of the Canton Housing Authority.

Abutting property owners have been contacted as work progresses in an attempt to keep the business and private home owners informed as to work progress and scheduling as well as to proactively address concerns where noted. As with all construction projects, there is sure to be complaints as sidewalks and parking areas are disrupted. Waterfield Design, Town of Canton DPW/Engineering and the contractor will continue to address concerns as they arise and work toward satisfactory resolutions to any/all issues.