

We have the following update on the Commonwealth Ave Improvements Project for the Partnership. National Grid has completed their work as of Wednesday (9/7/2022). The private development utility connections for Nashoba Bakery and the 13B property have been completed as of today (9/9/2022). CMPL has a structure to replace in the roadway and two more street light poles to replace, and they anticipate completing their work by 9/18/2022.

This week the Town's contractor, Newport Construction plans on mobilizing to the site. They will notify the neighborhood businesses and residents with door hangers and hold a neighborhood meeting to inform business owners and residents (CPW anticipates that this meeting will be scheduled for early next week).

Newport has met on site with CPW and CPD to discuss their traffic management plan for both the smaller areas of work, such as drainage installation and sidewalk demolition/rebuild, and larger areas of work such as roadway reconstruction. They will be providing CPW with a Traffic Management Plan and Schedule, and if approved it will be posted on this project's web page (<https://concordma.gov/3132/Commonwealth-Avenue-Improvements-Church->). The plan discussed is during the larger areas of construction, traffic and access will be better served by making Commonwealth Ave between the MBTA tracks and Laws Brook Road a "oneway" roadway, and during smaller areas of work having at a minimum alternating traffic in each direction.

The parking along Commonwealth Ave will not be available during the roadway reconstruction and the MBTA parking lot should be used as an alternative. During smaller work areas only sections of parking will be unavailable.

The projects schedule has been significantly delayed due to National Grid, and Newport is experiencing material shortages. As a result of this, the new construction plan is to install the drainage improvements, reconstruction the roadway, put down binder pavement, and raise all structures to the binder pavement level and stop construction for the year at that point. We anticipate that this will be completed around the 3rd week of October. The remainder of the project will commence during late spring/early summer of 2023. CPW is very sensitive to the businesses community in this area and we presume that this new schedule will allow for regular commerce during the Holiday Season that is not impeded by construction.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any concerns, specific events for us to work around, or just general informational comments.

Thank you.

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