

Select Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 12th, 2019, 7:00 p.m.
Nowak Room, Town Office Building
10 Front Street, Exeter NH

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Kathy Corson, Chair
Select Board

Posted: 11/8/19 Town Office, Town Website

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AGENDA SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Proclamations & Recognitions

Minutes

Select Board Meeting
Monday October 28, 2019
Town Offices, Nowak Room
Draft Minutes

1. Call Meeting to Order

Members present: Anne Surman, Kathy Corson, Julie Gilman, Molly Cowan, Niko Papakonstantis, and Russ Dean were present at this meeting. The meeting was called to order by Ms. Corson at 6:43 PM.

2. Non-Public Session

MOTION: Mr. Papakonstantis moved to enter into non-public session pursuant to 91A:3:2(a),(b). Ms. Surman seconded. By a roll call vote, all were in favor.

The meeting reconvened at 7:02 PM.

3. Public Comment

Members of Exeter's LEGO League team, who ranged from 4th graders to high schoolers, suggested to the Board that the town should purchase the loka and turn it into an arcade. They spoke with an architect, who calculated it would cost \$2.3 million at most to fix it with a new roof and sprinkler system; the impact to the taxpayers would be around \$39 per year for a \$300,000 home. The loka is in the National Historic Register, so they could seek help like an LCHIP grant for the restoration. They suggested an arcade because it would be kid-friendly, attract more customers to other downtown businesses, and bring in tourists.

Ms. Corson said the Board has discussed the loka, but it hasn't necessarily been an option to buy it. The town has a lot of buildings that they own, such as Town Hall, and they cost a lot of money to maintain. They're renovating the library for \$4.5 million, renovating the Rec Park, and recently built a new sewer treatment plant. She too is concerned about the loka, although the sign is now looking good.

Ms. Cowan asked if the Lego League had contacted LCHIP, because that's a good proposal. They said they called but hadn't gotten a response. Ms. Cowan said that groups have tried to buy the loka before and haven't been successful. She would be happy to meet with the Lego League to talk about public/private partnerships and see what other money is in the community. It's a missed opportunity for it to sit crumbling.

Ms. Surman said the arcade was a good idea, and she was impressed by the level to which they'd thought it through, saying that that's how entrepreneurs start. Ms. Gilman said an arcade is a nice idea. She has done some fundraising related to the loka in the past. They have to deal with the owner. Ms. Corson said the owner might like to talk to the Lego League, and she will try to arrange it.

4. Proclamations/Recognitions

Ms. Corson said that on Friday, the fourth grade at Lincoln Street School celebrated Arbor Day. Several Board members attended and listened to the students' presentation on trees.

Mr. Papakonstantis read the Arbor Day proclamation:
Whereas, in 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees, and
Whereas, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and
Whereas, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world, and
Whereas, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce life-giving oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife, and
Whereas, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products, and
Whereas, trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community, and
Whereas trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal,
Now, therefore, we the Select Board of the Town of Exeter do hereby proclaim the 25th of October, 2019 as Arbor Day in the Town of Exeter, and we urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day by supporting efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and
Further, I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.
Dated this 28th day of October, 2019.

Eileen Flockhart of the Exeter "Tree Team" spoke about their work. They are looking to get a Tree City USA designation for the town. This requires four qualifications: 1) a Tree Board or Committee; 2) tree ordinances; 3) an expenditure of \$2+ per capita for the care and maintenance of trees; and 4) an Arbor Day celebration. They have the first three in place; to meet the last criteria, they spoke with Lincoln Street School, who said they could celebrate in October, leading to the Arbor Day event last Friday.

Ms. Flockhart said that sometimes Tree Boards or Committees are connected to another group; they initially thought the Sustainability Committee may be a good fit. Ms. Corson recommended they serve as a subcommittee of the Conservation Commission instead, and loop in the Natural Resources Planner. Ms. Gilman will bring it up at the next ConCom meeting.

5. Approval of Minutes

a. Regular Meeting - October 7th, 2019

MOTION: Mr. Papakonstantis moved to approve the Select Board minutes of October 7th, 2019 as submitted. Ms. Gilman seconded. All were in favor.

6. Appointments

Ms. Corson said that Rob Ficara resigned from Recreation Advisory Board so that he can serve on the Friends of Exeter Recreation Board. Ms. Cowan said he will continue to be very involved with the Rec department.

MOTION: Mr. Papakonstantis moved to accept Mr. Ficara's resignation from the Rec Advisory Board. Ms. Gilman seconded. All were in favor.

7. Discussion/Action Items

a. Public Works Project Updates

Jennifer Perry, the Public Works Director, gave an update on DPW projects.

They're wrapping up construction/paving season. All of the roads on the 2019 list have been paved. They're planning to do crack sealing on Portsmouth Ave, which extends the life of existing roadways at a lesser cost. The Lincoln Street project is substantially complete, and the work has enhanced pedestrian safety and parking.

The trihalomethane project, in which they switched from chlorine water treatment to chloramines, has reduced TTHMs by 60-80% depending on the sample site. They are officially in compliance with acceptable limits, and will not be issuing a notice of violation for the first time in many years. Ms. Corson said they should publicize these good results.

Newfields Road is reopened to two-way traffic. Contractor JA Polito finished a month ahead of schedule because they were able to shut the roadway down.

The Epping Road traffic signal was installed at Continental Drive. This was important to improving traffic flow out of Continental to support existing and new businesses there.

Ms. Corson asked Ms. Perry to discuss the issues with trucks loading and unloading on Lincoln Street. Ms. Perry said there aren't any designated loading zones. Some trucks pull into train station area and offload there. Arjays has its own loading area. The town could restripe to add a loading zone, but parking spaces are at a premium. The Police Chief said the loading situation isn't ideal, but most people are able to negotiate without undue inconvenience. Mr. Dean asked that people who have negative experiences with trucks on Lincoln Street call the Police to address the issue.

Ms. Surman asked about the project on Kingston Road. Ms. Perry said they never received the final wetlands permit, so it will not start this year. They're pushing for next year. Dealing with state agencies takes extra time.

Mr. Dean asked for an update on brush handling at the Transfer Station. Ms. Perry said that the Select Board approved fees of \$50 for a large load and \$25 for a small load of brush from commercial landscapers. As of October, they've sold 93 large and 40 small load tickets. They budgeted \$20,000 for brush grinding by the Dirt Doctors. This company did two days of grinding this year, and will return November 4th. They've seen a significant drop-off in brush coming to the transfer station, and she thought commercial landscapers may have found cheaper alternatives. She added that 2019 has not been a heavy tree damage year so far. Overall, the brush grinding is a successful program that has brought things under control.

Ms. Corson asked if this program is sustainable going forward, and Ms. Perry said yes. She felt it was too soon to cut the grinding budget but it could be re-evaluated in 2021.

Jay Perkins said that previously, about 39 contractors frequented the brush dump, and it's now down to about 6 or 7. They still get a lot of residential brush, but don't charge the residents the same fees. The number is below what they were expecting but he agreed with Ms. Perry that they should stay where they are with the budget for now.

b. Seacoast Farms Products Proposal - Cross Road Landfill Area

Bob Kelly presented a proposal for a composting site at the Cross Road Transfer Station, which could expand the town's sustainability efforts. For the past 20 years, he's been a principal in Seacoast Farms Compost Products, which provide materials to organic farms,

landscapers, garden centers, and direct to homeowners. They currently have a headquarters in Fremont, but the landlord wants to redevelop the property. Mr. Kelly reached out to Mr. Perkins about the Cross Road Landfill, suggesting the company could site its operation there and provide a benefit to the town at the same time by operating that facility for the town. If they went forward with this proposal, it would save DPW labor and equipment, and potentially provide expanded services to town residents.

Ms. Corson asked if they'd thought about adding food composting for residents. Mr. Kelly said they would be open to that. They already have composting relationships with grocery stores and Exeter High School. They don't have the infrastructure to do collection. A local company, Mr. Fox, does that; they used to be a client of Seacoast Farms, and they could potentially partner.

Mr. Papakonstantis said the proposal sounds beneficial to the taxpayers and the DPW. He asked if Primex had reviewed it for any insurance ramifications. Mr. Dean said no, he wanted to get the Board's general reaction before asking Primex. Any company working on town property would have to provide insurance and worker's comp.

Ms. Surman said this sounds like outsourcing, and asked if there would be an exchange of money. Mr. Kelly said the plan is not to charge to town. Mr. Dean said they may need a variance from the Zoning Board for this operation. There's also a law which requires the town to collect property taxes for non-governmental use of public property. For example, the Sportsman's Club pays a nominal lease and property taxes. He can consult with legal on the best form of agreement. Any lease agreement that goes past 5 years would require Town Meeting approval.

Ms. Cowan asked if they would take over brush grinding from the Dirt Doctors. Mr. Kelly said no, they don't have the equipment. Wood takes longer to break down than leaves, and is not as beneficial to the compost process. They could help the town manage the pile by keeping it neat. After the grinding, they could look at incorporating the finished part into the compost.

Ms. Corson said she thinks they're all in agreement that they should work together and come up with something. She would love to see the ability to drop off food waste. She asked about their proposal to dig a well, and whether this would be a contaminant concern. Mr. Kelly said they would just be using the water for dust control. They don't need to add water to the piles. He added that they would need electrical power at the site as well.

Ms. Gilman asked whether there would be increased noise that would affect the residents. Mr. Kelly said that traffic during peak periods would be 10 -15 trucks a day; 5 a day in fall; and about zero in winter. They would try to stay away from the residential entrance.

Dan Chartrand of 63 Jady Hill Ave said he's delighted that the Board is interested in pursuing this. Despite the best efforts of the DPW to run compost, this would be a significant upgrade in the output. Seacoast Farms' compost is like gold. It's a win-win and a great idea.

Ms. Corson asked Mr. Kelly to work out the details with the DPW and come back.

Ms. Perry then discussed the Town Hall cupola proposal. The maintenance projects list for 2019 included the restoration and painting of the Town Hall cupola, gables, and soffits. These are difficult to access but must be regularly maintained. They have \$100,000 total in the maintenance projects budget, but the scaffolding alone to do this work was near \$60,000. They received an alternative proposal from Limerick Steeple Jacks, which does old-style craftsman work with no scaffolding, mostly suspended. They can do most of the work for \$48,800. If

there's additional work, it would cost \$65/hour per worker. These are very reasonable rates. They have worked with this company in the past, and they do very careful work. It does exceed the town's purchasing policy, since normally contracts over \$25,000 go to bid, but this is a difficult project and it would be very difficult to find someone else. She would like to encumber the remaining \$30-35,000 of the 2019 maintenance budget and dedicate additional money from 2020 to complete this work in spring.

Mr. Papakonstantis said the Facilities Committee had been supportive of this proposal. Ms. Surman had concerns about not going out to bid, since that's going against policy. Ms. Gilman said she's in favor of the historic preservation aspect. The Energy Committee wants to get into the attic to insulate, but can't until the cupola is watertight. She understands Ms. Surman's concerns, and asked if other companies made written proposals. Ms. Perry said no, the estimate on scaffolding alone make conventional methods of doing this work extremely expensive. Mr. Dean said they have a policy which allows the town to "sole source" a contract.

Ms. Corson said that they only have a \$100,000 maintenance fund for all buildings, and she would have liked to see this project as a warrant article last year instead of coming from this budget. Voters would like to support work on Town Hall and know the work is being done. However, she agreed that the soffits are in bad shape and must be addressed immediately. Not a lot of people have the skill to do this for a historic building. Ms. Perry said it's not really a capital improvement, just a maintenance item; they need to do it every 10 years or so.

Ms. Surman said that if the work wouldn't start until next spring, it could still be a warrant article. The maintenance fund was supposed to be spread out, not all spent on one project. Ms. Corson said if it must be a warrant article, they can't award the project to this company, and they lose the timeline. She agreed that they should do it differently next time, but the building is severely compromised and they don't want to lose these people. Ms. Perry said that Limerick Steeple Jacks is in high demand and have a backlog. If they went through a Warrant vote and didn't get the funding until March, they wouldn't get this company for next year.

MOTION: Ms. Gilman moved to approve entering into a contract with Limerick Steeple Jacks for \$48,800 for the restoration of the Town Hall cupola and soffits. Ms. Cowan seconded. Mr. Papakonstantis asked if they needed to include the encumbrance in the motion, and Mr. Dean said no, they can move on the final number at the last 2019 Select Board meeting. Ms. Surman voted nay, and the motion passed 4-1-0.

c. Fund Balance Policy and Discussion

Mr. Dean said they hope to have the tax rate set in the next few days; DRA is still waiting for the school piece. The Board should have their annual discussion about what to apply from the unreserved fund balance to lower the tax rate, and talk about the fund balance policy, which has been in place since 2013. Due to the revaluation, values went up quite a bit, up to a 30% increase. This year, he recommends applying \$708,525. Normally they apply \$600,000, but they got some land use change tax last year that was not applied to the revenue projections. The revenue streams related to the Great Dam and Court Street projects are going away in the next year or two, and by having more reserves on hand they can stabilize that.

They forecast that applying \$708,525 will bring the tax rate from \$7.25 to \$5.72. The average single family home, which went from \$337,000 to \$407,000 in the revaluation, would see a reduction of \$151.25 on the town share of the tax bill.

Regarding policy, they have a fund balance policy of 5% as a floor; the GFOA floor recommendation is 8%, but as long as you're in the 5%-8% area DRA is happy.

The state sets the tax rate, not the town, so they will finalize the rate and the town will get the word out to the public and begin the billing process. Ms. Corson suggested announcing the tax rate publicly because of the anxiety around the revaluation and the tax rate.

MOTION: Ms. Cowan moved to apply \$708,525 from the unreserved fund balance to lower the town's share of the tax rate. Mr. Papakonstantis seconded. All were in favor.

8. Regular Business

a. Tax, Water/Sewer Abatements and Exemptions

Mr. Dean discussed the assessor's ratio filing, which is a normal part of their process. They take data from sales, do a comparison, and find a sale price median ratio. The COD [coefficient of dispersion] and PRD [price ratio differential] is in line with DRA requirements. Ms. Corson read the certificate:

We the undersigned do hereby certify that the assessment and sales information provided by us on the NH Mosaic Equalization System has been thoroughly reviewed by the Board and is complete and accurate to the best of our knowledge. We understand that this information will be used by the NH Department of Revenue Administration to calculate the municipality's equalization ratio. The equalization ratio will be used to calculate the total equalized valuation for this municipality.

MOTION: Ms. Cowan moved to certify that this is the certificate that they are signing. Mr. Papakonstantis seconded. All were in favor.

b. Permits & Approvals

Mr. Dean discussed Mr. Bisson's memo about the requirement of a permit for the AOT [Alteration of Terrain] program associated with the Rec Park improvements. The state implemented a new fee schedule, so fees will increase by 250% November 1st, to \$9,375. The permit application will take three months to process, and once approved will be active for five years and can be extended for a further five year period. Having the permit would enable the town to start renovations if the funding were in place. They would like to submit this application before Nov. 1. Ms. Corson said this is not making any decisions for the town, it's just a placeholder. Applying now would be saving the town 250%, which is good.

MOTION: Mr. Papkonstantis moved to approve the application for an Alteration of Terrain Permit through state of NH DES under the AOT program in the amount of \$3,750. Ms. Cowan seconded. Ms. Gilman said "submit" not "approve." Mr. Papakonstantis revised his motion: he moved to approve to apply for an AOT permit through state of NH DES under the Alteration of Terrain program with a fee of \$3,750. Ms. Cowan seconded. All were in favor.

Ms. Corson said that Larry Murphy had applied for a one-day malt and wine license for a fundraiser for military families and veterans, "A Toast to our Troops," on Sunday November 10 from 1 -5. This permit is before the Board because there is alcohol involved. There is a clear

description of the manner in which alcohol will be served to guests, and they have a licensed caterer.

MOTION: Ms. Cowan moved to approve the one-day liquor license for A Toast to our Troops November 10 from 1-5 PM in Town Hall. Mr. Papakonstantis seconded. All were in favor.

c. Town Manager's Report

- i. The town recently extended their natural gas contract. The new pricing is 56.9 cents per therm, a reduction of 35%. This should help the budget.
- ii. The Cable TV franchise fee has an issue identified by legal counsel, which has slowed down our renewal process. See correspondence.
- iii. He met with a group on October 15th to discuss the DES new proposed integrated permit for Great Bay. They're looking for the governor to support a peer review process based on what could be in the new permit. The EPA is proposing regulating loads into Great Bay on a cumulative basis, and there are concerns about whether that is valid.
- iv. Newfields Road is open again. He thanked Matt Berube, Jen Perry, and the contractor for their work.
- v. Next Monday, there is an event at the new Wastewater Facility with a State Senator and Representatives in support of a bipartisan infrastructure building program, Build Together.
- vi. He attended a Downeaster Meeting. Attendees were impressed by Lincoln Street.
- vii. Public works cleaned up the train station. Each year they block off the parking lot for one day to do extra maintenance.
- viii. He attended the Arbor Day celebration at Lincoln Street School.
- ix. The Household Hazardous Waste collection October 19th was well attended, and they received over \$3,800 in donations.
- x. He attended the ICMA Conference last week in Nashville. It was a great conference with valuable sessions. There was a keynote on the "Great Second Rewrite," a societal shift related to smart phones and the recession of 2008. The speaker said self-driving vehicles will be mainstream in 8 - 12 years.
- xi. Trick or Treating is October 31st from 4 - 7 PM, rain or shine.
- xii. The BRC is Wednesday at 6:30. They will discuss the Public Works general budget.

d. Select Board Committee Reports

- i. Ms. Gilman said the Conservation Commission had a long agenda at their last meeting. They heard about misuse of the parking area at the McDonnell property conservation easement; Kristin Murphy is talking with Jay Perkins, the property owner, and Police about solutions. They heard a report from the mower on the spread of invasive species. There was a report on a meeting with reps from the UNH Cooperative Extension to finish planning for the Community meeting in the spring. At the Library meeting, they heard they went over budget for the work. There's a

finished design update but nothing to look at yet. They heard a request for special needs accommodations such as adult changing tables for the new building, which will be addressed.

- ii. Mr. Papakonstantis attended the Facilities Committee, where Ms. Perry did a presentation. The Planning Board meeting last Thursday was brief; Verizon Wireless withdrew their application for a cell tower, and the subdivision on 100 Linden Street was continued. The Sustainability Committee will meet next Tuesday.
- iii. Ms. Surman had no meetings.
- iv. Ms. Cowan had no meetings.
- v. Ms. Corson attended a parking meeting with Mr. Winham, Ms. Gilman, and Mr. Papakonstantis. There was little support for a parking lot on High Street. Mr. Winham is presenting survey results at the next meeting. At the River Advisory Committee, Melissa Paley from Great Bay WaterKeepers did a presentation on their continuing work on restoring Great Bay. At the Historic District Commission they heard four cases, three of which are on High Street. There was one denial, one was tabled, and there was a design change at 101 High Street which is very appropriate. She went to Exeter Squamscott River Local Advisory Committee meeting to discuss the Library Riverwalk and alterations as part of construction; everything was fine. At the meeting of the Swasey Parkway Trustees, they decided to continue with the composite benches they've previously used rather than the type of benches that the town decided on. They made a motion to no longer do granite benches. They found places for six more benches on the Parkway; there are currently 45 benches there.

e. Correspondence

- i. A letter about the CATV renewal.
- ii. A letter from the Probate Division regarding the estate of Ann Cashell of 156 Front Street.
- iii. A letter from Mr. Dean to Governor Sununu, regarding concerns about the proposed EPA integrated permit.
- iv. A letter from Senator Morgan. Ms. Gilman explained that it discusses the process they went through to get a signed budget, as well as what state aid and school aid are coming back to Exeter.
- v. A letter from Chief Poulin about the Live Scan machine they obtained.
- vi. A notice about the DPW Employee of the Quarter for the summer.
- vii. A quarterly progress report from Matt Berube of Water/Sewer. They found no CSOs and no SSOs.
- viii. A letter regarding a wetlands permit for Bert Freedman.
- ix. A letter from Mr. Glowacki about what Exeter TV can do for your Department/Committee.
- x. A notice of a Unitil meeting in Portsmouth on October 30th.
- xi. A notice from Xfinity about channel updates.

xii. A draft of the new-format voting machines forwarded by the Town Clerk.

9. Review Board Calendar

- a. The next meeting is Tuesday, November 12th, because Monday the 11th is Veteran's Day.

10. Adjournment

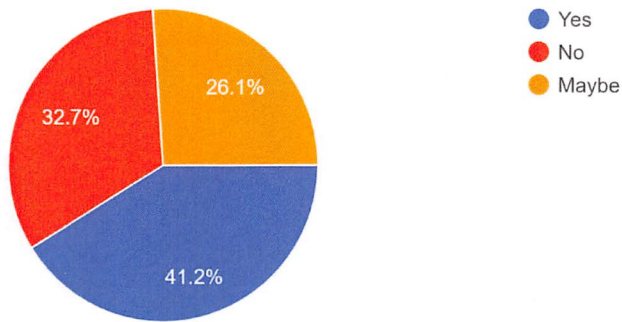
MOTION: Mr. Papakonstantis moved to adjourn. Ms. Cowan seconded. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joanna Bartell
Recording Secretary

Economic Development – Parking Survey Results Discussion on 29-35 High Street Parking Proposal

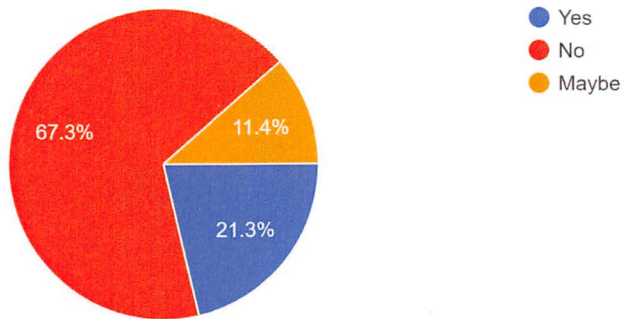
Do you believe the downtown would benefit from additional parking?

272 responses



Do you believe Exeter should consider the proposed parking plan at the intersection of High St. and Portsmouth Ave?

272 responses



Timestamp	Do you believe the downtown would benefit from additional parking?	Please explain your answer further.
9/25/2019 11:04:45	Yes	No
10/2/2019 13:09:43	Yes	More parking when there is higher density in the future will allow more people to park off of the roads and create a more walkable downtown.
10/4/2019 11:31:29	Yes	It's usually very difficult to find parking downtown. For Exeter residents who live outside of the downtown, it's almost impossible find parking during major town events and festivals.
10/4/2019 12:42:09	No	Leave downtown alone
10/4/2019 13:09:26	Maybe	Years ago the idea to put a parking garage in was voted down perhaps that should be re-examined but frankly the taxpayers are the ones to suffer as the never ending costs to live here get worse each year. to do to kee
10/4/2019 13:44:23	No	No evidence of a parking problem, other parking areas available if they look
10/4/2019 14:04:21	No	I do not believe there is a shortage of parking and I don't understand folks who say there is a shortage of parking. I have never failed to find parking within a few blocks of my downtown destination. One shouldn't expect to park right in front of a destination. One should expect to have to walk a few blocks. You're in town and that's the way it is. You want convenient parking go to the strip mall. Adding parking will not decrease congestion as folks will still circle downtown trying to get a close spot.
10/4/2019 14:28:58	No	My experience is that if people are willing to park more than one block from where they are going, or to parallel park, then they can find parking. I am an Exeter resident that frequents downtown at many times of day and days of the week.
10/4/2019 14:41:12	No	I do not think there is a need for that amount of additional parking.
10/4/2019 14:43:56	Yes	I can't ever go downtown, either for business or shopping, because I stress out over parking.
10/4/2019 15:53:19	No	There isn't a parking problem
10/4/2019 16:21:33	Maybe	I walk around downtown often and at different times of the day. I always see spaces available. Today at 1015 am I saw more than a dozen between the bandstand area and the post office area. I meet a walking group at the lot across from the loka at 8 or 9 am weekdays and always see lots of spaces. Even during the farmers market I see spaces available behind St Anthony bakery. However I see complaints on Facebook and am. It sure if there is a parking problem or not. I'm hoping to get more information at the meeting.
10/4/2019 16:26:52	Yes	As well as restructured traffic patterns!
10/4/2019 16:29:56	Yes	There needs to be an additional parking lot, not just street parking
10/4/2019 16:30:57	No	Loaded question, what area wouldn't benefit from additional parking. Do I think there is a parking problem in downtown, there is a perceived problem and there might be a problem on certain days such as Farmers' Market day, but there is not an ongoing parking problem. There is a traffic problem given the number of limited arteries into the downtown area.
10/4/2019 16:36:35	Maybe	Easy access to parking is a benefit to businesses, but a Exeter is East to park in id you don't mind walking. The Main Street school parents are more of a problem in neighborhoods than the people visiting for business.
10/4/2019 16:36:51	Maybe	I don't think we have a parking problem, but many people do, so maybe they're experiencing something I'm not.
10/4/2019 16:36:59	Maybe	I don't think there is a parking problem on that side of town. Lincoln St could use more parking, definitely.
10/4/2019 16:37:27	Yes	there is not enough parking to support the businesses downtown
10/4/2019 16:39:52	Yes	Parking during prime hours can be difficult to find a spot
10/4/2019 16:40:42	Maybe	I always find a spot
10/4/2019 16:41:10	Yes	In order to get more out of towners to visit our wonderful businesses downtown we need to have readily available parking
10/4/2019 16:41:22	Yes	Yes parking along Steve is difficult and congests the traffic flow. Has a second floor level of the existing parking area ?
10/4/2019 16:44:08	Yes	Especially during the season.
10/4/2019 16:44:48	No	There seems to be adequate parking now,
10/4/2019 16:46:04	Yes	Exeter is a great walking town and people from other communities, states and even countries have to get to the town by car and parking is very limited.

10/4/2019 16:55:20	Maybe	There is plenty of parking if people are willing to walk and not park directly in front of the store they are going into.
10/4/2019 17:22:06	No	There is already a ton of parking downtown. You just have to walk a little sometime to use it when it's a little busier. Another parking lot is NOT the answer. The money could be better utilized for other things!!!
10/4/2019 17:25:24	No	Parking on Street that is not metered; often able to find a spot
10/4/2019 17:36:38	Yes	I am a resident AND downtown business owner and would love to see some dedicated spaces for residents besides the winter overnight parking. Sometimes I need to schlep groceries quite a distance because of parking issues.
10/4/2019 17:41:43	No	Never have a problem finding spots
10/4/2019 17:51:19	Maybe	More parking could support local businesses and events. The volume of cars going through town now seems high, especially at rush hour. I'm not sure how more cars going into the area would impact that.
10/4/2019 18:11:50	Maybe	If we had a functioning theatre and night life we would need parking.
10/4/2019 18:20:47	No	I can always find a spot. Every. Time.
10/4/2019 18:32:30	Yes	Great improvement
10/4/2019 18:37:54	Yes	If shops were open earlier & later, 7 days per week, and on holidays, yes. However, i do not think houses should be knocked down to put up a parking lot!
10/4/2019 18:58:01	No	Parting is not an issue, but most are not willing to walk a little
10/4/2019 19:03:41	Yes	There have been times for events where it is very hard to impossible to find parking. For certain events (like the Festival of Trees) we have opted to skip it because of the hard time we've had parking in the past.
10/4/2019 19:12:44	Yes	As more restaurants move into downtown we need more spaces to accommodate. Parking has gotten quite challenging over the past couple of years.
10/4/2019 19:23:55	No	I feel there is plenty of parking. High Street is not the place for it.
10/4/2019 19:29:15	Yes	Limited parking during events
10/4/2019 19:34:15	Yes	Yes it become virtually impossible to enjoy all that Exeter offers downtown because of the lack of parking
10/4/2019 19:51:37	Maybe	Free exeter resident parking first
10/4/2019 20:07:41	No	I don't see that there is a big parking problem downtown.
10/4/2019 20:18:49	Yes	Garage
10/4/2019 20:20:51	Yes	Build a parking garage downtown
10/4/2019 20:24:03	No	Parking availability is not that bad.
10/4/2019 20:39:05	Maybe	I haven't had a problem parking downtown when I need to...
10/4/2019 20:47:18	Yes	An extra lot would be helpful during peak traffic times. Thurs-Sat evenings primarily. And weekend mornings.
10/4/2019 20:53:26	Yes	Just keep it free... there are times it is hard to find parking...
10/4/2019 21:05:15	No	Parking is ok now
10/4/2019 21:12:27	Yes	Yes however timing should be addressed. There has been commentary over the years about no parking for the restaurants at night and that's not true. From whirligigs down to st Anthony's is always empty at night. As for day, you do find parking, you just may have to walk a little and these days no one likes walking so I could still see complaints coming but thing they're unwarranted.
10/4/2019 21:23:35	Maybe	If it were free
10/4/2019 21:24:08	Yes	Seems like the parking spaces are hard to find during certain times of the day.
10/4/2019 21:24:50	No	I have always been able to find parking. Sometimes I have to walk a block to get to my destination. People would not walk from the proposed location.
10/4/2019 21:33:07	No	There is plenty of parking and plenty of people walk.
10/4/2019 21:55:50	Maybe	It's only a problem during events
10/4/2019 22:08:13	No	I think there is enough parking in town. I've never once been shut out of a spot like I have in Portsmouth or Dover. Most importantly, I feel like it's important that parking in Exeter stay free.
10/4/2019 22:48:01	No	Sometime I cant park in front of the store I'm visiting, but I always find a spot.
10/4/2019 22:50:16	No	I never have trouble finding a spot.
10/4/2019 23:08:09	Maybe	Tax burden already too high. Look at all the for sale signs ! Just think what town budget will be when they all leave. The academy should donate lots they don't want since their students and families use most of the parking spots because the academy builds on top of their parking lots!

10/5/2019 0:19:40	No	Unless there is a way to create a safer roadway through town, I don't think we should focus on ways to increase foot traffic downtown by adding additional parking. I never have a problem finding a spot. Our bigger concern should be figuring out a way to get all of the traffic safely and more quickly through downtown. There are too many jay walkers, trucks unloading, traffic merging in too many directions. A driver has to look in too many directions just to get through. The road through downtown is a fatality just waiting to happen.
10/5/2019 5:02:45	Yes	Parking is s problem, but mostly when there is a festival happening.
10/5/2019 7:07:16	Yes	Need more off street parking. Need to relieve downtown traffic.
10/5/2019 7:42:40	Yes	It is difficult to find parking downtown and it has resulted in lots of extra traffic of people circling the area trying to find spaces. If the bandstand has to remain, then I think strategic solutions need to be pursued to alleviate traffic.
10/5/2019 7:55:33	Maybe	Not as proposed on high street
10/5/2019 8:00:24	No	Already enough parking, just look around a little and be willing to walk 5 minutes. Traffic on the other hand is a problem.
10/5/2019 8:21:56	Yes	Traffic backed up to allow for people to park.
10/5/2019 9:12:36	No	I've never not been able to find a spot.
10/5/2019 9:27:43	Yes	Need more parking and this spot will help thin the traffic squeezing through downtown, has gotten very congested.
10/5/2019 9:33:53	Yes	If out of town people know it's easy to find parking they are more likely to stop in Exeter to eat or shop. I'm more likely as a resident to pop in a shop when I see easy parking.
10/5/2019 9:44:45	Yes	I can almost always find a parking place, but I am retired and don't part at the busiest times.
10/5/2019 10:19:41	Maybe	I think that if we could already find an existing space and make it into a lot, like the ample parking by citizens bank, then yes. But it's such a small issue to park a bit futhur away that i don't think we need to change the face of downtown to build a downtown n. There are better things we could put our money towards.
10/5/2019 10:26:19	Yes	I often avoid downtown shopping because parking is at times impossible!
10/5/2019 10:50:38	No	There's no real problem. There's plenty of parking now, even during events.
10/5/2019 13:10:16	Yes	I think most would favor. The question becomes where and appearance and cost
10/5/2019 13:11:19	Yes	Parking crunch is discouraging to developers of new restaurants and shops
10/5/2019 14:17:51	No	It seems that existing spaces and lots offer sufficient parking spaces. Additional signage could be useful in directing cars to existing parking lots in town.
10/5/2019 15:59:26	No	I can always find parking but sometimes it's a little bit of a walk from where I want to be.
10/5/2019 17:23:33	No	Unless there is special event I feel there is enough parking. (There is always MSS parking for fireworks or other big events)
10/5/2019 19:05:19	Yes	I work in downtown and parking is a deterrent for people coming and shopping at our businesses, especially during the holiday season.
10/6/2019 0:30:10	Yes	More parking!
10/6/2019 1:53:58	Yes	We just need it. I lived there for sixteen years.
10/6/2019 6:29:21	Maybe	It all depends on the option. This is a loaded question.
10/6/2019 9:32:11	Maybe	There is a always parking, you just have to be willing to walk a short distance
10/6/2019 9:59:17	Yes	Not enough parking
10/6/2019 10:02:23	Yes	Exeter is growing and would benefit from a parking garage.
10/6/2019 13:52:39	No	The parking is sufficient as is
10/6/2019 13:55:29	Yes	Never enough room
10/6/2019 17:09:17	Yes	Not enough parking in town.
10/6/2019 17:29:21	No	There is not a need for more offsite (this proposed site is not downtown) parking. Is there proof ? All business's on Portsmouth Ave have adequate parking. Giving out private spaces (not sure how many are reserved but at least 10-15 on the right side up front)in the town lot has taken away from its purpose as a town lot.
10/6/2019 19:39:01	No	Please stop paving. We can't build our way out of congestion.
10/6/2019 20:32:13	Yes	The current municipal parking lot is always full.
10/6/2019 20:42:38	Yes	I never have trouble finding a space but I hear others do.
10/7/2019 1:28:32	Maybe	I can find a spot most of the time or walk a few extra feet. What is the root cause for the parking spot requests? More details are needed.
10/7/2019 4:45:40	No	First do research on better traffic pattern for entire area rather than put up another parking garage
10/7/2019 9:55:04	Maybe	Who benefits
10/7/2019 10:41:24	Yes	Always crowded. Needs more parking

10/7/2019 11:52:03	Yes	Yes, I believe that Exeter would benefit from additional parking. With the increase in new apartments/condos/homes as well as the increase in new businesses in the downtown area...this will also increase the amount of vehicles/people in the downtown area.
10/7/2019 13:48:38	No	more important things to spend 1.7 million on. Reduce taxes
10/7/2019 14:24:07	Yes	Hard to find parking downtown and the town would definitely benefit
10/7/2019 14:48:24	Maybe	The town would benefit from developing a thoughtful, long term strategy to ensure the proper growth and expansion of the town. If that includes a lot, with a means to pay for it, not placed solely on the property owners, then it could be something to consider.
10/7/2019 15:52:29	Yes	Additional parking elsewhere may alleviate parking congestion on the upper portion of Water Street.
10/7/2019 18:15:42	No	I've lived in Exeter for more than 20 years and have only experienced minor parking issues when there are large events such as Powder Keg Festival etc. We need more open spaces and parks and walkways, not parking lots.
10/7/2019 19:05:59	Maybe	For the train, definitely. I think more signage for parking might work to direct people where to park.
10/7/2019 20:22:16	Maybe	Parking could be added when it fits into the neighborhood
10/7/2019 22:34:40	Maybe	The newly proposed area for a parking lot would go underutilized. Personally, I've never had difficulty finding a parking spot at various times of the day. Sometimes, there is more of a walk involved, but I don't think a the recently proposed spot off High St. would be used. It will be considered too far away. The town could add signage to let visitors (and residents) know there is parking behind St. Anthony's and that would cover the extra parking needed. Most people don't know they can park back there. The bank, library, and town hall lots could also be marked as available after business hours. It seems that many people complain more about a lack of parking near the train station. That might be the area where the parking focus should go. Perhaps traffic is more of an issue than parking. As of now all streets empty onto the Main St/Water St/High Street stretch making it the only street that brings people into town. The increase in residents equates to more traffic both on the downtown streets, as well as the 101 exits. Exeter is not laid out like other towns where the city center covers many block so there are multiple access points to go around and through. Because of the bottle necks, Exeter has a traffic flow problem.
10/7/2019 23:03:16	No	I don't believe there is a parking issue in town.
10/8/2019 6:59:35	Yes	Many events draw people into downtown area. When those events are happening, new lot could be designated for events to keep spaces available in front of independent shops. Also, a number of people park in the Chinburg parking lot when they come to events - this adds a liability to the owners of the Mills.
10/8/2019 8:21:22	Yes	the lot is full most of the time, and workers street park, leaving no space for customers
10/8/2019 9:35:27	Maybe	Closure of Newfields Road now creates a distortion. So did Epping Road construction. Find a way to distinguish between cars only passing through vs. cars with people who want to spend time and money downtown. Even many Exeter residents/voters exaggerate how much time and money they spend downtown. And, the parking "problem" is a convenient excuse. Many Exeter residents/voters enjoy leaving town for leisure/discretionary activities. In addition, episodic weekend traffic surges suggest cars are trying to avoid clogged highways and have zero interest in parking.
10/8/2019 11:16:32	Yes	Clearly there is not enough parking to support our bustling downtown
10/8/2019 12:50:31	No	there seems to be ample parking on side streets near downtown
10/8/2019 14:58:22	No	I walked through downtown last Friday at 12:15pm, I counted 14 available parking spaces on Water Street. I understand some people are concerned there are not spaces downtown, but there seems to be plenty.
10/8/2019 15:12:28	Yes	a paid system like Portsmouth has is very unwelcoming for a small town. when I'f had difficulty or even gotten a ticket I have left Portsmouth grumbling and vowing to stay away next time.
10/8/2019 16:23:37	Yes	Too little parking currently causes too many traffic delays and discourages people from visiting Exeter and patronizing local stores, restaurants, etc.
10/8/2019 16:38:35	Maybe	I have lived in Exeter for 2+ years and never had any problems locating a place to park.
10/8/2019 19:56:47	Yes	It would open up the town for people who actually live here.. as much as I love people to visit Exeter.. it sucks when you live here and can't find a parking spot
10/8/2019 20:00:21	Yes	I believe the town could benefit with more parking in DOWNTOWN. The proposed parking lot is too far from downtown to be beneficial to businesses or residents.
10/9/2019 8:33:01	Maybe	The question assumes that there is not enough parking. I am always able to find parking in town, even during the busiest times.
10/9/2019 8:52:25	Yes	Downtown parking is tight and will only get tighter

10/9/2019 8:59:57	Yes	I believe that traffic congestion downtown could be alleviated by providing more parking spaces, and that local businesses would benefit
10/9/2019 9:41:47	Yes	We live in the town, on the side closest to Kingston, and can't walk downtown. No sidewalks that far out and too busy of a road to walk children. We have to park downtown to enjoy a walk in our own town, but most days we can't find a parking spot and have to enjoy a walk in a different town. I would love to see the parking lot across from the police station be turned into resident/workers parking only by permit and have the parking on the streets be for those visiting, as well as if another parking lot is added, it could be resident and visitor parking. Having a lot just for residents would mean our family could enjoy the town more often.
10/9/2019 11:45:44	Yes	Water street is too crowded - would metering the spots be profitable for the town and/or fund additional parking projects.
10/9/2019 13:03:42	Yes	It's impassable at certain hours of the day
10/9/2019 13:19:26	Yes	Parking can be difficult to find during certain times of day. The lack of parking limits what can be done/developed downtown.
10/9/2019 14:04:36	No	Downtown parking has been a topic of social media the last few years. The majority say they have no problem finding parking. I am a life long resident. Parking isn't the downtowns problem, traffic is.
10/9/2019 15:32:51	No	I would rather have more folks biking, walking into town than driving. It is already terribly congested. Let's consider our environmental footprint. My understanding is that much of the recent congestion is because Rt. 85 has been shut down and because people are driving THROUGH town, not going TO BE in town.
10/9/2019 15:41:29	Yes	Need more spots. Not where proposed.
10/9/2019 15:54:43	Yes	There is always so much street traffic it is hard to drive around the center of town. And most of the spots in existing lots are always full
10/9/2019 15:58:25	Yes	We do not have enough parking downtown. Our one parking lot is not sufficient.
10/9/2019 15:59:55	Yes	Difficult in winter - the lot behind Me & Ollie's loses many spots due to snow accrual.
10/9/2019 16:04:07	No	There is already plenty of parking
10/9/2019 16:07:03	No	I have lived here for 11 years and am in downtown often. I struggle to remember a time when I couldn't find a parking space. I cannot speak for people who own businesses or work downtown, but as a resident who uses downtown regularly, I don't have a problem with the current situation
10/9/2019 16:13:22	No	While parking is crowded, more space would encourage more driving which is a very bad idea when it comes to the planet.
10/9/2019 16:42:33	Maybe	It may be beneficial to have more parking in town, but the chosen location is suboptimal. This is a busy intersection. Why add to the existing traffic issue, by putting a parking lot there?
10/9/2019 17:21:23	Maybe	I think the town's appeal is based on its walkability. Can we encourage people NOT to drive instead?
10/9/2019 17:41:33	No	I park in town several times a week and have been unable to find a spot exactly never.
10/9/2019 17:50:14	Maybe	Parking can be tight in the hub of the downtown, but it is not impossible. I don't
10/9/2019 17:57:58	No	I think that downtown has enough parking as it is, and that the additional lot would be a huge grievance to those living near it.
10/9/2019 18:06:48	No	Not on Gilman
10/9/2019 18:25:02	No	I don't want a shopping mall feel. No more parking please.
10/9/2019 18:37:30	Yes	More parking is needed but should be appropriate in scale and visually screened.
10/9/2019 18:44:17	Yes	There is more traffic and more business in town. It stands to reason that there is a need for more parking.
10/9/2019 19:13:25	Maybe	We should encourage more walking and cycling, not more cars.
10/9/2019 19:18:09	Yes	Sometimes there are few places to park when there are events downtown.
10/9/2019 19:56:01	No	It's not necessary
10/9/2019 20:03:26	Yes	For accessibility/disability purposes most of all! Tricky in the winter especially
10/9/2019 20:24:34	Yes	Improved access to businesses
10/9/2019 20:36:23	Maybe	I think that people can find parking. I do think we need more parking by the train station.
10/9/2019 20:42:05	Yes	How Sea dog ever got approved I don't know. I'm happy the building is no longer empty but a chain restaurant? What about a parking garage behind or under George and Phillips? Or behind the barber shop?
10/9/2019 21:37:21	Yes	...
10/9/2019 21:39:42	No	There is enough parking already available
10/9/2019 21:39:57	Maybe	Congested, but not overwhelming in town.

10/9/2019 22:01:17	Maybe	I haven't found parking a problem myself, but obviously some have, if this proposal is being put forth. There seems to be plenty of lot- and street parking for people to do what they need to in town.
10/9/2019 22:05:38	Maybe	I want our local businesses to be supported, but how much additional parking is needed for everyday life in our downtown?
10/9/2019 22:23:26	Maybe	Increase in public transport/bike use would be a better way to help with this issue.
10/9/2019 22:26:16	No	I struggle in thinking that we have a parking problem. I get that it's all about perspective, but I have never struggled to find a spot. (Being proactive is good though).
10/9/2019 22:27:05	No	I don't believe parking is an issue in Exeter. I live 7 minutes outside of town, but I go into town frequently and have never once had trouble finding a place to park.
10/9/2019 22:35:50	Maybe	Rather than additional parking - it seems that there is currently available but underutilized parking. could there be increased signage for this?
10/9/2019 22:36:39	Maybe	I think some improved public transit would be better all around, for the parking and the planet.
10/10/2019 0:20:59	No	I have not experienced a problem with the lack of parking spaces outside of special events, and I do not think we should be encouraging more car traffic downtown.
10/10/2019 0:48:37	No	I have never had challenges in finding parking in downtown Exeter.
10/10/2019 1:42:03	No	I've never had a problem with parking? But if there is one, perhaps build a small... parking garage in an area marked off already for parking?
10/10/2019 6:22:42	No	It is a great walking downtown, encourage walking.
10/10/2019 10:00:50	Yes	I work in town and see the municipal lots are full from 11-3, no parking available.
10/10/2019 10:03:18	No	I don't believe lack of parking is the issue, I believe too many people want conflicting things, the convenience of parking right in front of a stand-alone destination or a shopping center AND want the charm of a downtown.
10/10/2019 11:12:49	Maybe	I have never had a problem finding parking in town and come and go at various times of the day. However a restaurants continue to come into town and the Planning Board grants waivers for parking requirements the issue will continue to increase and it would be wise to learn from Portsmouth's lack of proactive planning with respect to parking.
10/10/2019 11:18:58	No	The parking lots that are a slight walk to the downtown aren't even used.
10/10/2019 11:51:07	No	There are too many parking spaces as is
10/10/2019 12:57:05	Yes	FINDING A PARKING SPOT IS ALWAYS A CHALLENGE
10/10/2019 13:11:38	Maybe	There still seems to be open spaces during the day. Maybe dedicate the rear water st parking to businesses since some owners park on the street all day.
10/10/2019 13:55:23	No	We need to encourage people to bike or walk, or the town should invest in a small shuttle to bring people in from other areas
10/10/2019 14:12:29	Yes	There is clearly a shortage of parking space at certain times
10/10/2019 14:44:54	Yes	Exeter needs more parking
10/10/2019 16:01:38	No	I never have trouble finding downtown parking as is. Also the proposed location is a bit far from the main drag to justify it's convenience.
10/10/2019 17:38:32	No	There has never been an issue with finding a parking space. The public lots need better signage so people know they are there. People see parking space full on water street and suddenly there is a 'parking problem' No there is not.
10/10/2019 21:28:53	No	I think more parking lots would greatly detract from the town. A better direction of public resources would be towards public transportation and bicycle infrastructure.
10/10/2019 21:36:42	No	I never have a problem parking
10/11/2019 6:34:38	Maybe	I am concerned about significantly more paved areas in immediate proximity to the river. We've prevented river flooding with the removal of the dam, and now we'd be contributing to greater runoff.
10/11/2019 6:51:48	Maybe	Utilize existing space instead of taking away green space
10/11/2019 7:37:48	No	There is not a parking crisis in Exeter
10/11/2019 7:53:31	Maybe	As long as the cost comes out of the existing budget.
10/11/2019 8:12:21	Yes	If the town wants to grow and attract more businesses then we need more parking. I currently think there is ample parking and people's expectations are to Park very close to their destination. When I go to Portsmouth I expect to have to walk and pay for parking.
10/11/2019 13:46:21	Yes	Just not at proposed site.
10/11/2019 13:59:36	Maybe	I don't know that parking is the root of the problem, or the best solution
10/11/2019 14:00:50	No	I don't believe this is the apt location for a new lot. I'm unconvinced of the need for additional parking. I'm worried about the environmental impact of the lot. I'm concerned about the negative affects of local houses and the Grainger Observatory (light pollution, etc).

10/11/2019 14:11:10	Maybe	Any additional parking for the downtown Exeter is necessary.
10/11/2019 15:38:40	Maybe	I do not seem to have any problems finding a spot to park downtown at any time.
10/11/2019 16:31:59	Maybe	I have NEVER had a problem parking. I've lived here for 20 years.
10/11/2019 17:50:22	Maybe	Are all the parking lots being utilized? well marked? There is an Academy parking lot that I would think could be used nights and weekends behind 225 Water st.
10/11/2019 23:45:07	Yes	Need a parking garage at the big water st lot
10/12/2019 9:21:17	Yes	The success of all of our new businesses downtown have created even more people trying to park downtown. One time I could not find a parking space at all to go to a funeral downtown last Summer.
10/12/2019 9:39:48	Yes	Never enough downtown parking during business hours and traffic through town is slowed by people looking for parking spots
10/12/2019 10:11:56	Yes	Parking is often in short supply downtown, especially in the middle of the day and on Friday and Saturday nights.
10/12/2019 10:44:00	Maybe	Overall, I don't think it will benefit the area that much. The major problem with downtown is flow during high traffic times. I rarely have difficulty parking.
10/12/2019 19:37:27	Yes	Current downtown parking is congested.
10/12/2019 19:56:14	No	If there is a parking issue downtown, it's because people are lazy and don't want to walk at all. I have never had a problem finding a space. We need fewer cars in the downtown area, especially at this intersection, not more.
10/12/2019 20:52:57	Yes	But there will be any number of tradeoffs.
10/13/2019 6:54:45	Maybe	Well the more parking does not mean more visitors. How many people honestly say oh I need a coat i need to swing by downtown? Plus people work look at Manchester why did the mall of NH take off? Because they were open after people got out of work and downtown rolled up the sidewalks at 5pm.
10/13/2019 10:32:39	No	Lack of parking bit the issue. Lack of attractions is the problem.
10/13/2019 11:09:12	Yes	Downtown already over crowded
10/13/2019 12:57:17	No	It would ruin High Street.
10/13/2019 14:51:45	No	There is existing parking to serve the downtown businesses.
10/13/2019 19:05:32	No	Parking exists
10/13/2019 19:46:49	No	More accessible parking would be welcome to stop to grab a coffee or a you quickly rather than having to park far away. I don't know if a study has been done on the length of time cars typically are parked, but I sometimes wonder if people live or work in the area and park for long periods of time. Overall we don't have an issue but a map online of all potential parking places might be helpful for residents to review in case we are not aware of all options.
10/13/2019 21:49:23	Yes	Although I can walk downtown, I understand that it is difficult for many to find a parking spot, especially on a Friday evening when the restaurants are full.
10/13/2019 21:57:44	Maybe	From my experience, parking can be hard at certain times . But I usually can find a place on a side street .
10/14/2019 8:34:17	Maybe	The parking seems adequate on a regular basis. When there are larger events a little bit more walking is required but it's not unreasonable. We are not Portsmouth.
10/14/2019 10:28:34	No	I think there currently is so much parking available by Rite Aid and Walgreens that it would be better to have a shuttle service than to disrupt the Observatory for the new lot
10/14/2019 10:47:25	Yes	With the additional restaurants recently added and proposed, more parking is needed.
10/14/2019 10:52:26	Yes	How about a survey showing who is taking up all the existing parking now? They can't all be shoppers.
10/14/2019 16:14:29	Yes	This would give additional parking to support the downtown business.
10/14/2019 19:00:28	No	Exeter already has too much traffic clogging the streets more parking results in more traffic that requires more parking- on and on.
10/14/2019 19:21:54	No	that's not a good place for parking; too hard (dangerous) to walk into downtown from there. There is a lot of parking near Swasey Parkway
10/15/2019 8:55:33	Yes	More options for parking near downtown would be helpful, especially during busy days.
10/15/2019 9:00:18	Yes	well planned and well located
10/15/2019 9:09:03	No	I think there are other things the town could do to manage parking better like parking meters and other measure but I don't view the downtown area as having a parking issue. Encourage walking and biking.
10/15/2019 9:47:57	No	The focus should be enforcing the 2 hr parking and installing parking kiosks on the main roads and in certain lots.
10/15/2019 10:05:59	Yes	Parking is at a premium on most days. Additional parking would fulfill that need and provide incentive for additional business development.

10/15/2019 12:18:47	Yes	Yes of course. The parking downtown is a disaster right now-no one wants to try and come for lunch when they sit in traffic and cant find a parking space!
10/15/2019 13:26:11	Yes	When we have special events downtown there is difficulty in finding a parking spot.
10/15/2019 16:45:01	Yes	I usually can find a place to park but I am OK with walking. I have heard others complain about parking.
10/15/2019 18:01:19	Maybe	Only if our right in downtown district closer to shops
10/15/2019 18:12:17	Yes	anyone looking for a parking space . knows it is obvious... walking downtown is quicker no matter where you live
10/15/2019 20:36:32	Yes	There is not enough parking now.
10/15/2019 20:43:40	Yes	If the parking was accessible from another road, other than water st, then it could greatly alleviate the downtown traffic challenges.
10/15/2019 22:03:45	No	I rarely have trouble parking
10/15/2019 23:17:56	No	Never had an issue with finding parking
10/16/2019 6:37:40	Yes	I thought the idea of additional parking at the proposed lots was a good idea. Plus the area is close enough to Water Street and Portsmouth Ave to be beneficial to both areas.
10/16/2019 7:45:14	Yes	I believe the Citizens bank space by the town hall can be better utilized to add parking to the center of town
10/16/2019 9:17:47	Yes	While there isn't need to add much additional parking, I do think providing a few dozen more spaces will help during festivals, community events, and allow more visitors to come shop and enjoy Exeter during busy periods. Supporting local businesses, the Exeter Hospital, etc. is vital.
10/16/2019 9:20:09	Yes	While there isn't need to add much additional parking, I do think providing a few dozen more spaces will help during festivals, community events, and allow more visitors to come shop and enjoy Exeter during busy periods. Supporting local businesses, the Exeter Hospital, etc. is vital. If you build more parking, please invest in a couple Electric Vehicle Charging stations.
10/16/2019 9:51:01	Yes	experiences over past years
10/16/2019 10:31:36	Maybe	I never have issues finding parking so I'm not sure why an additional lot is needed.
10/16/2019 11:28:43	Maybe	Only if it will not take away from the beauty of the downtown.
10/16/2019 16:41:54	Maybe	With the exception of events such as the Festival of Lights, I have always been able to find a parking spot on the street in town or in one of the town lots. Shuttle buses are great to use for events when the town anticipates a greater than usual crowd. This also helps to minimize traffic in town during these events. I do not consider the proposed lot as part of downtown.
10/16/2019 17:44:09	No	This is asinine. Why invite more traffic into a clustered area? This is contrary to reducing the amount of cars in and around downtown Exeter. Why are we spending this money towards another project that solely benefits one type of transportation: cars. I suggesting earmarking more funds to complete complete streets multimodal transportation opportunities.
10/16/2019 17:59:25	No	I do not believe we need more parking. I am always able to park near enough to the sites I am trying to access. We need to increase tolerance for having to walk a block or two to reach the destination.
10/16/2019 18:05:44	No	There's adequate parking as long as people are willing to walk a couple of blocks. By most urban standards, there is no problem.
10/16/2019 18:07:06	No	There is plenty of parking, people just need to be comfortable walking from their car to their destination, instead of parking right in front of it. Additionally, there is frequently parking on Lincoln Street and surrounding streets during the week and on weekends — no need to put more parking in downtown.
10/16/2019 18:35:30	Maybe	Perhaps parking issues discourage business. Events that draw crowds, such as the chili festival, cause congested parking on narrow side streets and this could become a safety issue.
10/16/2019 18:43:25	Yes	We have hit a point where the popularity of downtown dictates the need for more parking capacity.
10/16/2019 20:04:42	Maybe	If town experience with other merchants parking is a necessity
10/16/2019 20:53:08	Maybe	There is usually ample street parking on the roads leading into town. No parking solution should take away from the aesthetic charm of Exeter
10/16/2019 21:15:18	Yes	Yes
10/16/2019 21:32:22	Maybe	I think extra parking is helpful, but usually if you just take a few minutes driving around you always find something. Traffic is the issue more so than parking.
10/16/2019 22:56:19	No	I never have a problem finding a spot somewhere in downtown. The length of the entire downtown area is short so walking from one end to the other isn't an issue

10/17/2019 7:54:10	Yes	With the major increase of housing being built its important to stay ahead of the growth.
10/17/2019 10:05:02	No	there is plenty of parking already. just needs better signage for the public parking lots.
10/17/2019 21:45:57	Yes	Paid parking in a 4 story garage on the existing parking lot across from the IOKA. Include a dog leg to the park on Court Street. Access garage from Water or Court. Town gets a bond. Paid parking pays the bond. Spaces could be leased per year or paid per hour. Employees of businesses could lease a space and/or have a parking validation system depending on dollars spent in Exeter businesses.
10/17/2019 21:59:02	Maybe	But not at the worst intersection in town. Everybody wants more parking however it has to be in front of their business. Peope are not going to walk the lenght of downtown by parking in a lot that is at the other end of town. Why is the parking lot on Water Street full at 8 in the morning when no stores are even open. The lot should be replaced by a 3 or 4 floor parking garage. Right now the peoples lot on water street is virtually empty after 5pm. Parking meters on Water Street and Lincoln street would gaurantee empty store fronts in both locations. If you truely believe people will drive to work in Boston if there is not enough parking at the train station you have not driven to work in Boston. If you needed more parking on Lincoln street why did you take away 15 or 16 spaces to pretty it up. Plenty of parking in the school lot on Lincoln Street and on Main Street in the summer and at night.
10/18/2019 8:16:33	No	plenty of parking.
10/18/2019 9:05:23	Yes	The more cars we can get closer to downtown the more people will shop and gather as a community. Those who feel parking isn't an issue are not going downtown during busy times.
10/18/2019 9:29:38	Yes	Additional parking would attract more people and make it easier to support and visit the local stores and restaurants.
10/18/2019 11:29:54	Maybe	Not where you propose to put it. That intersection has enough grid lock.
10/18/2019 11:32:31	No	We have enough now.
10/18/2019 13:39:26	Yes	Yes, but we've never had a problem and don't consider it such.
10/18/2019 13:44:23	Yes	It is always difficult to find parking space when visiting downtown merchants.
10/19/2019 6:44:51	Maybe	even during busy events like chili fest guests/attendees still seem to find parking.
10/19/2019 14:13:02	Yes	Occasionally there is great demand for spots, so an additional parking lot would ease that.
10/20/2019 8:59:35	No	The traffic in town is bad enough. The more parking spaces the more traffic.
10/20/2019 12:46:55	Maybe	I think traffic traveling through downtown is more of an issue than parking
10/20/2019 14:53:32	Maybe	Consider making a parking garage where the town lot for Lani & Lu's / Szchuan Taste is.
10/20/2019 16:11:35	No	Parking downtown is only a problem a couple times a year, and even then one can find parking if they are willing to walk a short distance.
10/20/2019 16:11:58	No	.
10/20/2019 18:39:59	Maybe	Exeter is a vibrant downtown; its mix of independent retailers and a variety of restaurants attracts both residents and visitors. Also, the P.O. and Town Hall & Offices are downtown. Although a few people use bicycles to patronize businesses, the majority use a car. So we need to ensure that there's adequate parking, both now and for future population growth. The dilemma: where do we situate additional parking?
10/20/2019 21:40:09	Yes	it would help make downtown more appealing to businesses help attract more business, ideally making downtown more a destination town to compete with portsmouth and newburyport, but on a smaller scale.
10/21/2019 9:23:30	Maybe	Wayfinding signage for public parking areas is needed. Perhaps working with the local churches to access their parking for employees would be a big help.
10/21/2019 13:13:04	Maybe	I have never had trouble parking in my 43 years in Exeter.
10/21/2019 21:52:32	Maybe	I have never had trouble finding a parking spot when I go downtown. I think if we would like businesses to thrive though, more parking would be a plus for both business employees and customers. It would be awesome if it felt like a bigger downtown area with more shops to walk to if it wrapped the whole way around water, front, Lincoln and the side streets inbetween!!! We don't have much on those streets yet but it would be so awesome to see businesses thrive and grow in this area expanding the downtown shopping and restaurants! So yes, it would be nice to have another lot to park in.
10/21/2019 23:02:52	Maybe	We should have an expert look into it like we did for paving the roads and create a plan.
10/22/2019 9:43:07	Maybe	It's crowded, but I always find a place to park

Do you believe Exeter should consider the proposed parking plan at the intersection of High St. and Portsmouth Ave?	Please explain your answer further.
Yes	It's a good location, at the entrance to down town that will allow people to park and walk into town rather than adding to the traffic and noise of downtown by driving through it
Yes	It would definitely help during major town events. I wonder if it's too far for people to use during peak hours.
No	leave things alone
No	Traffic on High ST is al ready a nightmare and this will only add to the problem . The ark should have been built about 15 to 20 years ago-have lived on High ST for 47 years and this will affect property values ,clogged traffic from all directions and few people will want to walk downtown on the shaded south side of the street which is always icy let alone by the bridge. I definitely know as I walk every morning and rarely encounter anyone on the sidewalk in the winter months. Most people want to drive every where especially senior citizens. It is so bad getting out of our driveway to get downtown it makes more sense to walk no matter what the conditions.
No	1.7 million ,Taxpayers getting hit once again. not a good location, loss of tax revenue
No	See my response above.
No	Absolutely not. Even if a robust data collection effort identifies that more parking is needed,d this should not be the spot. This location is one of the gateways to Exeter. Particularly given the redevelopment plans for that end of Portsmouth Ave, this area should not become the eyesore of a large expanse of pavement.
No	I think that's just far enough away from the heart of downtown it won't help alleviate much parking congestion. I also feel that particular intersection is such a hassle to drive through as-is adding a huge parking lot there would make it far worse.
Maybe	I think Exeter needs to consider ANY parking plan. I don't know what this plan entails, but EVERYTHING needs to be considered.
No	Better signage and timing of lights
Maybe	Not sure if it is needed. Maybe for people who work Downtown?
Yes	Easy walking distance; land is available.
Yes	The buildings directly in front of the lights are an eyesore that everyone entering and exiting exeter must look at while waiting at the lights. Having a fairly attractive parking lot (e.g. the Bungalow's parking lot) would be much more pleasing to look at as well as beneficial
No	Too far away for the locals to use. No one utilizes the Center Street parking lot on nights and weekends. The intersection is a mess with traffic not obeying the lights. Drivers from High Street frequently flood the intersection at high traffic times making it impossible for any of the other traffic to move. More traffic, and specifically more "non-local" traffic will make that intersection more challenging.
No	This is a horrible spot, not only due to traffic concerns, but it isn't close enough to downtown to be appealing to people accessing the businesses.
Yes	Other than the initial cost, it wouldn't hurt to have extra parking available, especially during events downtown.
No	Expanding the parking already in place (adding a second story) to the downtown lot is a better idea
Yes	Exeter should explore any and all parking options
Yes	Might help with traffic going into downtown If there is parking offered a short walk away so people aren't driving all the way in
No	Parking is available in Exeter. The problem is that nobody wants to walk. That lot would not be used a lot since it is farther away from downtown.
Yes	It's close to both downtown and Portsmouth ave. Since we've redone most of the sidewalks on Portsmouth ave and installed crossing lights it makes sense to encourage people to visit on foot.
Maybe	Cost dependent, parking garage like Portsmouth makes sense, low parking fees to offset costs of land and building it. 1st hour free etc
No	Will people think it is too far to walk?
No	It's too far from town, doubtful people will use it, I know I wouldn't.
Maybe	Im not sure if its too far for some people.
No	High street is a residential street and it will make traffic even worse.
No	It is a HUGE unnecessary expense that could be better utilized on something else! Plus, it's only going to make the traffic that is heavy at certain times of the day in that area much worse!
Maybe	If kept out of downtown with easy walking access in it could help attract visitors while not altering the appearance and feel of downtown
No	Too far out of downtown. People want parking where its convenient
No	Too far. Not needed.

Maybe	It is at a remove from town and would add traffic to the intersection where traffic is already bad (Portsmouth Ave and High St.). But I don't know if there are better options.
No	It feels far removed from the busy hubs in town
No	The intersection is already busy. The building that is there is a nice view at the intersection and transitions into the more historic stretch of our town.
Yes	We need parking
Maybe	Investigate before purchasing.
No	It would be nice to keep some green areas
Yes	While not in the main downtown area. It would still be close enough to help with overflow parking for big events.
Yes	It seems like a smart solution to increase parking
No	too expensive. \$480,000 is this going to be paid by us taxpayers?
No	That's a beautiful area and it would make that intersection impossibly hectic. It's already extremely difficult for people to get in and out of. It's detrimental to that area of town
Yes	Although it not a perfect solution give it location something needs to be done before it's to late and this is a great FIRST step. More will be necessary in the coming years if the Exeter downtown is to remain vibrant.
No	More \$\$\$ for developers
No	Even if there is a parking problem what would be the incentive for people to park there and walk. Portsmouth cannot get people to its new garage, even at a lower price they don't want to walk.
Maybe	If built a garage we wouldn't need this
No	Why create an eyesore in the historic district and the gateway to downtown?
No	Who wants a parking lot the first thing they see when they drive into our lovely, little town?
Maybe	I wonder about the increased pedestrian traffic from this location to the downtown area. It is extremely busy at times there.
Maybe	Traffic is already backed up at that spot in town. Trying to get in an out of that lot is going to cause even greater backups at the light.
Yes	Not sure what the plan says... more spaces are great paying is not....
No	Not a good spot
Yes	All options should be considered as long as it will not take away from the visual quaintness of our community.
Yes	It won't ruin actual downtown and would eliminate some of the parking traffic in town
Maybe	any way of getting more parking spaces available is probably a good idea
No	People would not walk from there and would still complain about parking.
No	High street is already almost always at a stand still and there are several accidents on the street already.
Maybe	There would have to be a light facing that way
No	It seems like a parking lot at that particular plot of land would cause additional traffic problems at the intersection of Portsmouth Ave. and High St. Please also see above. I feel that additional parking spaces are not needed.
No	Exeter does not need a parking garage.
No	I don't think there is more downtown parking needed.
No	Tax burden too high
Yes	If purchasing a new lot means we can cut out some of the on street parking through the town center including making a bike lane so it is safe for bicyclists to get through town, I would be all for it. If the lot is purchased & there is no changes made to free up the traffic flow through town, then I see no point in purchasing the lot.
No	This intersection is already backed up with traffic multiple times of day. I can't imagine what the congestion would be like if you added parking right there. Also, I prefer keeping some green areas in town and we don't need to lose one that already exists.
Yes	Perfect location. Catches traffic headed downtown from Portsmouth Ave and High st.
Yes	This will cut down on downtown traffic by diverting parking. The location may not be ideal simply because of the distance needed to walk to get to shops.
No	Space could be better utilized.
No	Affordable housing would be a better use of the space.
Yes	Concerned that the plan would create more grid lock but it is worth discussing.
Maybe	That intersection is one of the main entrances into town. It looks uninviting and rundown already. Putting parking there would just continue the creep of the Portsmouth Ave ugliness into downtown. Do we want the whole town to be one big stripmall?
Yes	Need more parking
Yes	Although no one enjoys looking at a parking lot, at least this one would be nearer Portsmouth Ave which is more commercial and away from historic downtown.
No	It would make the observatory useless because of the lighting and the heat from the parking lot.

No	It sounds as if there is land there owned by pea that would make it impossible to even consider. Also, the issue isn't lack of parking. There is plenty of parking now but it's not directly in front of where people need to be. If people aren't using the spaces that exist now on front street and on the street where czar's brewery is going ,to name a few places, then they're not going to park up across from Portsmouth ave and walk.
Yes	It's an available area fairly close to the south end of the commercial district; if shop owners and staff would use it, spaces would open up for visitors and shoppers.
No	I don't think it's money well spent
Yes	Consider yes as option. Can't say if I am in favor until all the pros and cons reviewed
Yes	Proposals deserve careful consideration rather than instant rejection.
No	This is a terrible traffic intersection to begin with. Adding another light and more traffic to this area is a bad idea.
No	People are not going to want to walk that far. There's all ways room in the lot behind St. Anthony's.
No	Too expensive for what it will offer
Yes	Yes! Having more parking options will hopefully help people decide to go to Exeter vs another town.
Yes	Love it!
Maybe	I haven't seen it yet.
No	An expensive waste of tax dollars. I doubt that people will walk 2 blocks to stores. I believe this will add to the traffic bottle neck on High Street
Maybe	It would be beneficial, but only if employees are forced to use it to free up space elsewhere. Other than that, it will help PEA sports, Exeter Day School and maybe SeaDog. At \$20K per space, it's cheaper than a garage, but is it solving a problem?
No	Too congested already
No	I live off High St and the traffic is already tough at the intersection of High and Portsmouth Ave. If there was a fourth light installed it may increase the congestion.
No	That area is already backed up with traffic, this would just add to the congestion
No	Somewhere else
Yes	Every bit if parking will help
No	It's not downtown. It's a negative on the tax roll and overpriced.
No	See above
Yes	Exeter needs more parking
No	Too expensive and that intersection is already very backed up at certain times of day.
Maybe	Is the town forcing municiple projects over residents currently using the space? Is the green or historic space? More details are needed.
No	Do study of a better traffic pattern than current one
No	Bad plan in a bad location and way too much money
Yes	That's a perfect place between walking downtown and walking down Portsmouth ave to shop.
No	Absolutely not...I think that there are much better options than investing money into a high traffic area further away from down town.
No	No documented parking problem
Maybe	It needs to be close to downtown
No	The town would benefit from developing a thoughtful, long term strategy to ensure the proper growth and expansion of the town. I don't believe it is practical or appropriate to randomly acquire land for parking, make the property owning people in town pay for it and then, have not mechanism to get a return on the \$1.7+m investment, nor the revenue to maintain it long term if the lot would be free.
Yes	The town should be exploring all possible options that may offer expanded parking and downtown access.
No	That is a terrible location for a parking lot due to the already high volume of traffic in the area.
No	That would be an eye-sore and cost too much.
No	First, the congestion at the corner is bad now. A parking lot would make it worse. Second, I do not think it would be used by people walking downtown except for Sea Dog. Third it would destroy two historic buildings And fourth, it would NOT enhance the entrance to the Town.
No	People will consider it too far and will not use it. Portsmouth Ave and High St. are already congested with traffic, which will make it hard to get into/out of the parking lot without disrupting the traffic flow.
No	I think green spaces should be kept green. Not to mention the extra traffic at that intersection would be insane, and being close to the river would there be concerns of runoff?
Yes	It's worth it to weigh the pros and the cons.
No	too far away for most people, and a terrible gateway to the town. Put the money into a parking deck on Water Street

No	Would drastically increase visual pollution (and congestion) at an esthetically critical intersection and a routine choke point. It is also a major, undersized trajectory for emergency vehicles. The beautiful houses next door would be greatly diminished.
No	I don't believe a parking lot at the major intersection gateway to our downtown is what we want. There has to be a better place (or places) for parking. Let's strive to maintain the aesthetic of downtown entrances - a parking lot would detract from visitor experience. I agree that the proposed lot property is under utilized though.
No	way way too busy of an intersection and would ruin the look of the street and area!
No	That location is already at a very busy intersection and adding traffic to that location is not going to be helpful. Also, that location is too far from downtown to satisfy the complaints about downtown parking.
Maybe	if the academy is willing to give the land as we gave them land when the street by the swimming/ice rink was taken for their expansion and new arts center. we should not have to purchase that land.
Yes	Any additional parking within walking distance of downtown would help improve the current situation.
No	That is a very busy intersection already and I cannot see how the entrance wouldn't add to the difficulty of getting thru the intersection at busy times of day.
No	The traffic is already backed up right in that section all the way through downtown ... up high street and up Portsmouth Ave. it would be a total nightmare.
No	The majority of current users will continue to park in downtown. The beneficiaries of this proposed lot is PEA, in that they get a new parking lot to service their stadium. and possibly Exeter Day School, but knowing how their drop off works few will use the parking. The additional traffic will only make Portsmouth Ave/High Street worse to get thru, and the light pollution will drastically affect the PEA observatory. During the winter months the section of sidewalk parking users will need to use to walk to town are poorly plowed or de-iced. The town should look at building a parking garage in place of the current town lot (across from Exeter Safety Complex and near Head Hunters). While more costly upfront the revenue that could be generated over time would help offset building/maintenance cost.
No	The walking distance to town center from this location is too far for most visitors. This would also increase traffic congestion in the WORST spot of town. The traffic here is already bad during most of the working day.
No	This location is too far. People are lazy and will drive circles around the gazebo looking for closer parking anyway- thus defeating the purpose of mitigating downtown shark-parking traffic. Also- a parking lot does not fit with the gateway to our historic district. Terrible idea. Also too much light pollution for the PEA Observatory.
Maybe	ONLY if design includes total mitigation of ambient light, in order to protect the PEA astronomy program which operates immediately adjacent to the proposed parcels year round
Yes	We definitely need a new parking lot. I am open to the idea of expanding. I would like to see the lot currently downtown be for residents/workers only.
Yes	addressing parking sooner rather than later leaves the town with more options
Yes	Anything to reduce congestion on Water St.
Yes	This seems to be a good location that is a short walk from downtown and also can serve businesses on Rt 108/Portsmouth Avenue.
No	Taxes are already too high. I don't want to buy parking spaces for downtown merchants.
No	I live right here on Gilman and High and Portsmouth Ave. I do not want to have strangers in my backyard. I chose to live here because it is mostly quiet, away from the rush of things. And I do not want to have more traffic, more noise. It is already bad enough that people come and park on my grass to go to the trails. It is already bad that people park behind my car in a driveway when they want to go watch a game at PEA. It is already a congested area and hard to turn left into Gilman Street from High. Please preserve the privacy of those of us who live here. If there must be a lot, consider having a local bus that comes from a lot along Portsmouth Ave. e.g. People can park in the Rite Aid area and then take a small bus or walk or maybe town bikes?
No	Not a good spot. Traffic there would be awful.
No	This does not feel like the best space to put another parking lot. It impacts residents too much, and if there is a new parking lot added it should be somewhere where the actual residents of the town aren't upset about it being.
No	This is already a tricky intersection and difficult area to let folks in and out. A parking lot would turn this into a traffic boondoggle. I'd like to see us consider other options including but not limited to: the possibility of multi-level parking where the current lot stands, a shuttle that would allow folks to park a bit further out (perhaps by OTV and Rite Aid) etc. This is not an ideal area for this. It also doesn't solve the issue of accessibility for folks who cannot walk far, or use mobility assistance.
No	Using the new Portsmouth garage as an example, people won't walk that far from parking to the center of town.
No	Not only no but HELL NO. That intersection would become an even bigger nightmare!!
Maybe	I haven't had a chance to review the proposal
No	It is too close to people's homes who deserve privacy.
No	As stated above, this is not a good choice of location.
No	People won't walk from there.
No	That's a busy intersection, and a parking lot right there is bound to gum up the works. And for safety reasons, we do not need a parking lot adjacent to the PEA fields, where there are many dogs, young children, etc.
No	It is too far from the downtown hub. It will greatly impact the residents that live there as well as the ability for the PEA Observatory to function with all of the lights. This is not a good idea for a parking area.

No	Same reason as above, I don't think it's necessary and would cause more stress to current residents living near the lot than it would benefit those looking for parking in the area.
No	Would interrupt neighborhood life
No	That intersection is already very busy and slows down traffic through town. The solution is not to make that area busier in my opinion. I fear it will be fine to feel more like exit 9 by Flippity flop. I'm sorry to see that getting busy.
Yes	Same answer as above. The parking area should not be overwhelming and impact the residents.
No	That is not an ideal location for town parking. This is a residential area and building parking is in no one's best interest. It would impact residences around that area and the academy fields.
No	That area is already a bottleneck. People exiting that parking area would only add to the backups.
No	It is already a congested area and does not need more traffic. Also, a garage or parking in that area is not really close enough to downtown and it would disrupt the residents who live there.
No	Not a good place for parking
No	Wouldn't do much to help disabled folks and would create further congestion at an already major point in town.
Yes	This spot also provides an opportunity to improve that intersection, especially turning left out of Gilman.
No	Bad intersection already. Heavy traffic already. Neighborhood and observatory will be negatively affected.
No	That is a residential area and people would be negatively impacted.
Yes	...
No	That intersection is already a nightmare at certain times of day and a parking lot would only make it worse. Also, it's far enough away from downtown that people won't use it.
No	This is already a dangerous traffic area in town. The sidewalk leading to town run along heavy and fast moving traffic. Increased foot travel from the parking lot to town is adding greater potential risk.
No	This is not a place where anyone would want to park to go into downtown--and therefore, to anywhere else. It's too remote.
No	This area is already a bottle neck. Adding a garage would be brutal. To say nothing of killing the observatory program at PEA.
No	Negatively affects scientific exploration of young members of the community by polluting the observatory with light. Adversely affects specific members of the community and simply redirects the problem towards them, instead of solving it.
No	Too far to walk - look at Portsmouth's new garage, it's closer and people still won't use it because it is "too far away". People will drive into town first to see if they can't get a spot, and then resort to this lot, adding to congestion, and deterring visitors (aka economic activity).
No	I think this would not work because I think it would create more congestion in that area, more potential chaos, too many lights, I imagine it could negatively affect the observatory which is such a special part of PEA.
No	Proposed parking would have a serious effect on access to natural spaces, the town and PEA running trails.
Maybe	It's a longer more complex issue but I think that public transit needs to be given a good hard look. Climate Change asks us to change how we do most things and transportation is at the top of the list. Exeter could be a leader for the area in addressing public transportation and climate change.
No	It would negatively affect the lighthouse which brings important research to Exeter, and needlessly asphalt a largely green area.
No	When I moved to Exeter, I remember feeling like I had finally reached my destination seeing the transition from newer homes to the gorgeous old historic homes of Exeter at that intersection. I would hate to have the first thing newcomers see a parking lot at that intersection and have that image be their welcome to town. And, as I mentioned before, I never had a problem parking in downtown Exeter, so I'm confused as to why this parking lot is even needed.
No	Why? Tear down old houses for parking?
No	Not in that location near the Observatory. Please, no!
No	People won't want to walk that far. I don't believe it's far but I think other people might.
No	It also seems foul to build such in a midst/alongside historic homes. The traffic flow at that location is already a challenge. The people who find this an issue will find this still too far - all the way over the bridge...to my point, St. Anthony's parking is rarely full.
No	That section of High Street is bumper to bumper traffic at all hours of the day. Safely turning into/ out of the existing driveway is nearly impossible currently and is at a dangerous "mid block" point. A higher volume of cars trying to emerge and turn into gridlocked traffic or across two lanes of east bound traffic to make a left into town would be a major safety issue. A lot there would also have negative impacts on the PEA observatory and would place an unfair burden on the adjacent property owners. My assumption is it would be underutilized by people shopping or dining downtown because that location feels "outside" of downtown. It would likely be used by people attending PEA events on the fields, and the town shouldn't be building PEA a parking lot.
No	People aren't likely to use it because of the walk particularly in the winter. The money should be used for other improvements throughout the town.
No	It would be a blight on the town and a waste of money
No	TOO CONGESTED
No	The intersection is already congested at least twice a day 3pm-ish and 5pm-ish.

No	Same as above, you'll be disturbing the peace of people's homes and interfering with the observatory
Maybe	I would need to be provided with additional information
Yes	Yes as long as there are lights to allow for the ppl parking to enter and exit
No	I do not want the Academy buildings or observatory to be negatively impacted (the latter via light pollution from a new lot).
No	It is ridiculous. People are not going to park there & walk. People want to park right on front of the shop they want to visit & when they cannot find a spot, there is talk of a parking garage, more parking. No need. We need more Green spaces not more tarmac parking lots.
No	I think more parking lots would greatly detract from the town. A better direction of public resources would be towards public transportation and bicycle infrastructure.
No	It's a very awkward location
No	This is the gateway to the town for most people, and the entrance to the historic district! Is there value in green, undeveloped space?
No	Already a very busy- often backed up intersection... consider Lincoln Street (in front of hanky factory, and court street by rec dept)
No	The addition of a parking lot in this location would greatly impact that intersection negatively
No	Exeter govt is untrustworthy and are just pawns for real estate agents.
No	People will not use that parking lot because it is too far from downtown. There are plenty of spaces already that are equally far away that are not being used. Our taxes are starting to drive people away and this will not help.
No	It would be a massive clusterfloop and increase the number of already unacceptable constant delays at the corner of high and Portsmouth ave.
No	We are not at a place in our culture or history to be putting time and effort into creating more obsolete concrete patches in order to make eating at green bean easier. Bike! Park behind blue moon and walk. Can you find a way to solve the problem that allows our town to grow and evolve
No	I don't believe this is the apt location for a new lot. I'm unconvinced of the need for additional parking. I'm worried about the environmental impact of the lot. I'm concerned about the negative affects of local houses and the Grainger Observatory (light pollution, etc).
No	Having it at that intersection would be a nightmare. It's already backed up on Water St by SeaDog Brewery. And from traffic coming from Portsmouth Ave.
No	The Phillips Exeter Academy Observatory is located close to that area and the additional light pollution would affect the opportunity for viewing the stars and planets.
Maybe	I have NEVER had a problem parking. I've lived here for 20 years. Who did the study that showed there was a parking problem? Are the results public?
No	It is very expensive for a parking lot.
No	Terrible place for parking. Hard to get in and out with traffic. Don't add more paved surface close to the river.
Yes	Because the location is before the bridge I think it would alleviate traffic on great bridge. Sometimes I have to wait three or four cycles at the light at pad thai to get downtown.
Yes	Having spent time in European towns where only pedestrian traffic is allowed in crowded central city areas, it seems Exeter could benefit from encouraging parking outside the busy downtown area and encouraging pedestrian traffic in downtown shopping areas. As the country moves toward greater use of electric vehicles, central charging areas in one designated parking area seems a logical development. Again this would encourage people to park in one place for a longer period of time while walking through the downtown to visit a number of locations (PO, bank, coffee shop etc.) rather than driving through down seeking parking near each location.
Yes	It's a great location, with easy walking distance to the center of town.
No	This is a terrible location. Trying to get in and out of that place is almost impossible given that it's a intersection. It's already a major area of congestion and this would make it significantly worse. I don't think parking is the issue.
Yes	Great location.
No	This is just a bad idea all around. When you do a traffic study at this intersection you will find that this intersection is already overloaded with traffic; I live on Gilman Lane and have trouble on a daily basis getting out of this street without effort due to the amount of traffic constantly stopped on High Street heading into town and leaving town at a high rate of speed. Paving such a large area so close to the river is not environmentally smart. The lights from a parking lot at this location will impair the PEA observatory that is nearby. This is a historical district; a residential neighborhood - there will be bright lights, car alarm noise, noise from the people parking, and their car audio noise, which we can already hear from the intersection now. Exeter should spend their money on better sidewalks, improved signage at crosswalks and directional signs for parking locations. The parking lot near the Harris Children's Center and St. Anthony's Bakery is consistently empty, probably because people don't even realize that there is parking there.
No	We're all used to not finding a convenient space sometimes. But I rarely am really stymied: I do have to hunt, but I almost always find a space. People like to park within a few yards of where they want to go. I doubt that any single new lot will work; people will try first to be closer to their destination and only then will they go to the new lot (or give up). I'd like to see data about how hard it is to find parking now at the same distance from the driver's ideal destination as the new lot would be.
No	Traffic at that intersection is bad enough as is.

No	Instead of developing this as a public project I prefer you open this for private devemioment using private funds. Under this structure users pay for it and not the rest of the taxpayers. If private market shows no interest it should tell us something about the project.
Maybe	That intersection is crowded and backed up during peak driving times...have sat through 3 -4 light changes to get through. Adding more traffic will only make the situation worse.
No	The town should not consider the parking plan.
No	Not needed and who is going to walk that distance to be in town? The available lots in town are never at capacity.
No	Ample parking exists
No	I have been an Exeter resident for 8 years. I'm not clear if parking is acceptable at the library after hours, but I think there are options people might not know about for parking. Are there any PEA lots that can be used?
No	Putting a parking lot here would detract from the appearance of the town. Maintaining the wooded nature of the the proposed site and using it as a public park would be better. A parking deck built above the existing lot behind St. Anthony's bakery would not detract from the appearance of the town to the same extent.
No	The traffic at that light is already too heavy. I have noticed lately that cars are backed up to the hospital, trying to get into town. I believe that parking at that location will only slow things down and make traffic more congested. I appreciate the creative thinking and problem solving, however, and I just hope we can find another solution, which might mean another location for parking (I know that's wishful thinking).
No	That is the wrong location and construction with disrupt too many people who currently live here. The tax rates are outrageous and unsustainable and I don't want to pay for this. I also believe it is unnecessary.
No	There are better, less disruptive solutions
Yes	This location would be especially helpful for Sea Dog parking and might free up some spaces downtown for other businesses. I am concerned about whether this would alleviate or worsen already congested traffic at that intersection (especially 4:30-6pm when the high st traffic is often backed up to Buzell ave.)
No	ugly
Yes	It is very much needed and is within walking distance to the down town area.
No	Against zoning, against Historic District, Hell for people living near this eyesore.
No	see explanation above
Yes	We should consider the proposal because it might benefit the town's parking availability for the downtown area, providing more customers for local businesses and facilitating the downtown as a community destination.
Maybe	concerned about awkward congestion at intersection
No	No, that space could be much better utilized for many other purposes than a parking lot. What an unimaginative thing to do with a great space.
No	Not at the expense of purchasing that property and tearing down two or more buildings, with the loss of tax revenue.
No	The proposed site is in the wrong location; not convenient and will not be used.
Yes	Need many more parking options as well. Keep going and start a pay by plate system.
Maybe	My concern with the parking lot location is it is right at the intersection of High St and Portsmouth. I fear this will cause further backups on High Street. If that can be addressed my concern would be addressed.
No	A terrible intersection would become even worse.
No	Terrible idea....traffic nightmare and too far to walk to downtown shops....wouldn't get used. Better option is garage in existing parking lot
Maybe	it depends on how well it is hidden from abuters. not sure how many people will walk ALLLLL that way to their destination especially if it is beyond the bandstand. most want to park within 2 yards of their destination.
Yes	We need more parking in Exeter.
Maybe	As long as it doesn't further add to the intersection congestion
No	too far from businesses
No	I would rather the building put into better use or maybe mid pricing housing
Yes	Think I already did with above answer
No	This is a hard no. The idea of a parking lot in the historic district and the enterence to town is unfathomable at the expense of architecture that is additive to the town heritage.
Yes	It's a perfect spot for parking, where folks can walk easily to the businesses on Water Street, Swasey Parkway and Town Hall. But it'll also provide parking for those who might enjoy the businesses near that corner of Portsmouth and High, possibly increasing the foot traffic around there. Especially with town parades passing that way, having some extra parking there could help during those special events.
Yes	It's a perfect spot for parking, where folks can walk easily to the businesses on Water Street, Swasey Parkway and Town Hall. But it'll also provide parking for those who might enjoy the businesses near that corner of Portsmouth and High, possibly increasing the foot traffic around there. Especially with town parades passing that way, having some extra parking there could help during those special events. If you build more parking, please invest in a couple Electric Vehicle Charging stations.
Yes	within walking distance for many visitors

No	The traffic already backs up at that light during the morning/evening commuting times and the weekends. Adding cars coming in & out of a parking lot will cause more traffic problems.
No	That seems like a bad place for it, and might create more traffic.
No	This lot is too far to carry purchases. It is not convenient. When walking on High Street to/from town in inclement weather it can not only be dangerous, but an unpleasant experience.
No	High Street light is a poorly designed intersection already. Adding another reason to stop cars? No. Consider a roundabout. Destroy two houses that add charm to the neighborhood for an asphalt lot? No. People do not visit Exeter to see the Szechuan municipal lot... they are here in part due to the unique architecture that attracts unique shops.
No	It's a bad location and requires the removal of yet another building that adds character to the entry way to our downtown.
No	There is an historic building on the site with what appears to be moderately priced apartments. I would hate to see a parking lot just as I turned to drive into our beautiful town. I cannot emphasize enough my opposition to this I'll advised plan.
No	Removing older homes that are filled with character is a mistake, especially when they greet newcomers to Exeter. The reason people pay so much to live in Exeter is the character — as a young professional who grew up in Exeter, then left and came back from New York, this was certainly a draw for me.
No	I think it is an historic area and the house there should be preserved.
No	Intersection is too busy and price much too high.
No	Too far from town center. Loss revenue stream in taxes. Loss of affordable housing
No	That would be an eyesore leading into town and likely would be underutilized given out collective unwillingness to walk more than a few feet
Yes	My initial response is absolutely no. We did not make the "Best Small Town" list by becoming Anytown, USA. However, we are suffering growing pains like any town fortunate enough, and do need more parking and improved traffic flow. A compromise to stark impervious ugliness would be to make a pervious surface "green space" parking area, trees and park/like along the perimeter. Maybe a memorial or special piece of artwork. Please no impervious pavement with white line designation. That Would be an ugly gateway greeting not to be proud of.
No	There is already way to much congestion here. A parking lot here would make it so much worse. I believe this would only further exacerbate the traffic problem in this area.
Maybe	Considering an idea is always a good thing!
No	I think at a cost of over a million dollars that money could go towards a parking garage that would supple many more spaces than the proposer less than 100 On this location,
No	the junction is busy already. to have more 'tarmac' instead of green space is poor judgement. no-one is going to park there and walk.
No	Too far.
No	This is the worst intersection in Exeter and you want to make it worse besides it is in the Historic District. The hospital can't sell because they never intended to restore the house but are willing to sacrifice it for full price to the Town. Build the parking garage downtown.
No	No more pavement needed. Leave alone.
Yes	That is still close enough to walk and I would park there and walk down just to avoid the headache of downtown. The light at that intersection needs to be fixed though. At rush hour it takes at least 6 turns to get thru. It is crazy! if you are traveling from High St. down only 3 cars can get thru before the light changes.
Yes	It's a great spot for parking, but may not be visually appealing.
No	see above
No	Too dangerous.
No	NO, downtown might benefit from additional parking, yes, but not at the expense of Exeter residents to purchase High Street properties, demolish and construct spaces at \$20-25,000 per space!! Another \$1.7 Million paid by residents?? When does it end? Who would park there? Congestion at the Portsmouth Ave/High Street intersection is bad enough now.
No	People find it difficult to walk that distance carrying packages
No	i think it maybe too far from downtown. many events are on swasey and that's on the other end of downtown.
Yes	If the land is already cleared, I think it could be a good use of the land.
No	See above explanation
Maybe	That location seems very unfortunate to me - what an eyesore right in front of you as you enter the town. Plus I think people would resist parking that far from town (it's all relative). Perhaps if office workers downtown were encouraged to park there and shoppers/diners had more street front...but that doesn't address the eyesore, which should be a significant factor.
No	Too far and that intersection is bad enough already.

No	Too expensive and people won't walk from that lot to downtown. Look at Portsmouth's new garage and how low the usage is.
No	.
Maybe	Given that many people will drive from one section in a mall to another, to get closer to another store, I'm skeptical that this lot will get enough use to warrant its cost. However, if (as one business owner suggested), employees were to use this lot, this would potentially free up spots on Front & Water Streets for shoppers. Of course, this lot would not be of interest to people who work or shop on Lincoln St.
Yes	are there other options? put them on the table.
No	It's going to really back up traffic more so that it already does.
No	I think it will hurt the small businesses in town.
No	I think that is tough because I would want to find a parking spot closer to my destination first so I would likely go through that intersection, downtown...take a loop around to see if I can find a closer spot and if I can't I'd go back through the intersection which...wouldn't that cause more traffic congestion?
No	It is very expensive.
No	Already a busy intersection

In the space below, please offer any insights you have on the above questions. Also, if you have any suggestions for parking and traffic in the downtown area, please add these as well. We greatly appreciate your input.

The town should consider allowing parking just past Swasey park on to Newfields Rd/heading away from the downtown. Even on one side of the street.

We don't need to add lots or garages

The more business comes in the more our services have to keep up- which means more hiring at a cost to all or town services deteriorate.

Develop the Fosters site as we changed this to C-1 from R-2 for commercial dev and use the PEA property for parking .Variance needed ? parking not allowed in the R-2 .Redesign the muni lot for additional spaces,purchase the empty lot on Franklin St,also there is parking at the Rec Dept on Court after hours and parking on Center St. Problem solved. Surprised Selectboard would support this !

See above.

Consider pay by plate parking with a variable prices structure e.g. prices breaks for residents and hybrid/electric/fuel efficient cars, surcharges for larger more polluting vehicles, e

I'd rather see the spaces added back like they were in front of Town Hall than see a huge garage built nearby.

don't FORCE me to answer this question. That's obnoxious!!!

Don't ruin a lovely town with unnecessary parking lots .

Could there be an area devoted to people who work downtown and need longer parking? Is there enough off road parking for winter snow ban?

It is time to make all public parking downtown and on Lincoln Street pay parking. Residents would be able to purchase an annual sticker at a lower cost than non-residents (i.e. train commuters or employees) .

I think it would be worth discussing with the People's United Bank downtown to convert half of their parking lot to public parking. I've lived in Exeter for 20 years and have never, at any time of day, seen that lot more than 1/3rds full

I'm amazed at the amount of traffic that uses the downtown roads just to get to the other side of town. They aren't shopping or dining, they are just commuting. Perhaps signage on wait times and traffic in the downtown area might motivate drivers on Portsmouth Avenue and High Street to seek an alternative route such as 101 if their only goal is to get through Exeter. This year is unusually challenging give the Epping Road and Newfields Road projects.

N/A

I wish the traffic downtown went around the bandstand like a rotary instead of a two way stop with one rightaway, especially with the road in/out of the island and the long crosswalk right there. It's all manageable, but a little sloppy!

I'd love to see a few short term parking spots, such as 30 minute parking, along Water St.

See above

Parking should be allowed in the library after hours with a stipulation that cars are moved before the library opens the next day or they will be ticketed/towed. Seems like a pretty easy solution. Pay for some signage at each place and voila, parking for the Sea Dog at night

Doesn't need to be huge but some additional spaces would be nice

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Downtown traffic flow is fine. Parking needs improvement.

Two level parking garage in existing lot done well would enhance area. Also large dock/deck by river now that dam is out, for vendors and food carts cafe style, would add a lot of ambiance to the area and encourage local vendors artists crafts etc

As we all know parking an issue almost everywhere! Sorry not an answer.

I have honestly, in 28 years of living in Exeter, never had a problem finding a parking spot. I do the banking, etc, for our business so I am looking for a place to park downtown twice a day at least, and I always find one. We could definitely use more crosswalks, on Epping Road for example, perhaps with blinking alert lights like the ones on Front Street. Or more sidewalks, again on Epping Road, and also on Brentwood Road and Kingston Road.

I think Exeter could benefit from a parking garage. Ideally across from the Police Station or the municipal lot where Ganash is. I would hate to see a monster garage in either location but the lack of parking and the growth of the town warrant a garage.

More parking signage might help. There is usually parking behind St Anthony's, the post office, by the library and towards the police station. There is always plenty of parking on Swasey as well.

There is already plenty of parking. People need to utilize what is available even if that means walking a little further. Want to improve traffic a little? Ban the 18 wheelers from passing through the downtown area all of the time!

More parking at the train station seems to be needed

With new shops like Donut Love and CBD store this will likely create a lot of welcome new business to downtown which will add to residents parking issues.

Work out a deal with PEA to acquire, lease, etc. lot behind St. Anthony's and then put up some signage. Make sure parking continues to be free.

I rarely have trouble finding a spot in town. Would better signage raise awareness of parking options?

I feel having a 1 way loop through town would allow for street parking on both sides of street as well designated bike lanes.

No more parking down town unless a 2nd level is put over the existing municipal lot. People need to learn to walk.

Great idea

Parking in downtown is necessary. Removing homes is wrong. How about solving traffic problems?

Walk a little

Thanks!

No additional comments at this time

Feel this is not the place for parking lot. This is historic district also. Way to expensive.

Parking garage
We need the BOS to get behind you this Proposal.
Residents already have invested into downtown but downtown taxes have not risen.
I have never felt that there are severe issues with downtown parking that would justify spending the money to buy additional land for parking.
Most town events we park at Main Street nice to have some more parking.
Build a parking garage downtown.
There must be other areas on side streets that would work just as well and not be an eyesore.
n/a
See above answers
Please keep Exeter with a small town feel and do not charge for parking. More spaces are appreciated especially during farmer's market times...
None
Traffic - make the gazebo the center of a rotary not intersection with stop signs to keep traffic flowing.
All for more parking as long as it is done in a way that doesn't deter the beauty of the town. I wouldn't even mind a two garage where the existing lot is provided it be covered in ivy on the sides and be brick so it blends in with the surroundings.
I'm concerned paid parking will ruin downtown
are you looking for just parking spaces are are you talking about building a parking garage that will accomodate many vehicles? I would vote for that idea
I like the idea of negotiating with PEA to make the lot behind St. Anthony's a public lot.
I think the emphasis should be on foot traffic. I see plenty of people walking all the time. More cars are not the answer.
I don't have any input here
Part of the charm of Exeter is that it's not another Dover or Portsmouth. Parking in those towns can be a nightmare and paying for it is a huge deterrent to going there and spending money at Portsmouth and Dover downtown businesses. It's generally easy to find a spot in Exeter, and best of all, it's free.
There is not a need for a parking garage in Exeter.
Perhaps changing some streets in downtown to one way would help with traffic. Gridlock around the gazebo can be awful at busy times because of the traffic turning left.
Stop approving over use of spots for residential in downtown which is congested because too many approvals for jammed in rentals that do not fit the rules in the planning board. Stop waivers
I would like to see a safety officer downtown handing out tickets to jay walkers. The head in parking in front of trends and the noodle bar should be eliminated. Both spots have traffic potentially coming from too many directions to be safe. I came out of me & ollies just as someone threw their car into reverse backing out of a spot in front of pictures worth 1,000 words, & I almost got into an accident. In front of trends drivers are already looking at the band stand traffic, crosswalk traffic, string bridge traffic, to half to look for parked cars blindly inching their way out into traffic is very dangerous. I'd rather see spots taken away from downtown, & add parking somewhere else, founders park perhaps? Purchase the lot across from the post office? The lot at ocean bank is usually empty, can the town access some of those spots?
How about a building a parking deck in the public parking lot on Water St. (Next Laney & Lu)? The town owns the land already, it's already a paved non-green space and it's more centrally located to retail stores.
Eliminate through heavy trucking
I do feel a full parking assessment needs to be completed however. There is a need for parking by the train station as well.
Seems to be plenty of spaces now.
There is no good reason to prohibit exiting the water st parking lot (where Szechuan Taste is) on the water street side. Having to drive through to the other side is unnecessary, there is room for entering and exiting on the same side.
Please see above.
Please don't sacrifice the charm of downtown in order to accommodate more cars. No one will want to come if we're just a big parking lot.
Put a traffic light at intersection of Water And Front St.
Although things are getting busier in downtown this just means our town's economy is good so we must take the food with the bad. I think the addition of paid parking is a bad idea. I know I hate the hassle of the meters in other towns. Our free parking definitely encourages me to shop and eat in town.
Build a parking garage where the parking lot down town is now.
Exeter is a small town overall, with a tinier downtown. There is always going to be traffic running through downtown. There already is plenty of parking. The problem is that it's not directly downtown and people don't want to walk a few minutes to where they need to be, so they are under the mistaken impression that there is no parking.
I don't think a parking lot in that location would detract from our downtown; an attractive sign with a downtown map, plus street-side landscaping could be attractive.
Again, there is no parking problem. Has a real study been done that quantifies the issue?
The select board disallowed the voters when they negated a positive vote for no street parking EXCEPT during snow emergencies as other towns now do. How many over night parking spots will be in the new lot? While High Street is interesting it is getting further from the business area (especially so Anthonys, Stillwells, etc.) and less walkable especially for those with disabilities and aged.
Give townspeople the opportunity to weigh in on this issue
Exeter has a traffic issue, not a parking problem. Adding a parking lot at the proposed intersection will only serve to exacerbate the real issue which is the traffic flow through town.
Parking and traffic through downtown exeter would be improved if there was an alternate way to get from one side if exeter to another.
I do not think about anything at the moment

The businesses on Water Street would greatly benefit from more parking. As is, I hear lots of customers bemoan the thought of visiting downtown during the holidays or even during the busy lunch hour traffic. As retail is dwindling, we need every chance we can get to not only survive, but thrive.
Thanks!
I have no additional suggestions at this time.
The first question is a loaded question. We can all agree that additional parking is needed. Do we have a sound study of how many spots are truly needed? We already pay so much in taxes, adamantly against this proposed plan for parking on High St. Beside taxes, ugliness to down town, it will add to the traffic bottleneck on High St.
Make Swasey OneWay outbound only, and put additional parking in the freed up lane. Formalize an agreement with PEA regarding parking behind Anthony's bakery and Citizens DriveThru and parking garage. Maybe the deal could be sweetened by allowing/encouraging them to charge, in the same way that banks and businesses do in Portsmouth. Maybe have employees use those spaces. Make Water street OneWay going down hill only (and possibly Center St OneWay up hill only, and a stop sign on Front St by the PostOffice), create more parking on the salt cave side of water street & possibly Center Street.
Underground parking. Stop the 2 hr limit .
Is there a possibility of building a parking garage behind St. Anthony's bakery? Perhaps potential flooding would be prohibitive.
Additional parking lot should be considered for an area that is not near a heavily trafficked intersection
Downtown
Beside a parking garage, any space will be greatly appreciated
The traffic in downtown is indictable now that sidewalks took away width from the road. Lanes are tight , people backing into traffic can't see...
Na
This area really needs more parking. I feel Exeter would really benefit from it.
There is plenty of available parking if people are just willing to walk a little. The proposed parking area is farther than lots of the parking spaces that are often not filled.
Please provide further details. - Who owns the proposed prooerty now? - What would the parking look like? (1 story or multistory? Greenspace or not? Historical or not?) - What is the property currently being used for? Will current residents be displaced? - What is the root cause/ use case for more parking? - How will a new lot benefit the town of Exeter in the short and then lobg term? Thank You
If parking garage goes through then have fees for parking in this garage and not be free parking
No suggestions
Make the garage.
In the 2018 walkability and traffic survey, it was suggested that a parking garage be built. I agree with this 100%. I also know that many town individuals think this will take away from the quaintness of Exeter...which I highly disagree if it is put in the right location..and built to specifications that would keep its design in line with the architecture, etc of the town. If the new proposed parking plan only adds about 80 spaces, then a parking garage could be built in the smaller lot behind the town offices closest to the police station. Not only would this not interfere with the quaintness of the town, there would be minimal interference with the existing green space, or impact residential as it is 90% commercial which surround this area.
Lets move on to other issues that matter ,Is this busy time for others
More parking is definitely needed because Exeter is getting busier
See above regarding a long term strategy for the town.
The town should be encouraging walking more and looking to alleviate vehicular congestion particularly in downtown.
Is it possible to open up the parking lot behind Stillwells, behind the bank on Center Street and behind St. Anthony's?
Busy weekends should have traffic directors to keep the flow going. The traffic light at the end of Portsmouth Ave should be a "No Turn On Red" when flashing or some such nonsense. It would stop the over-flow to allow green light cars to pass through from High St. The parking issue needs to be addressed at Lincoln St. Maybe put in a Train stop/platform on Powder Mill Rd ? That would probably take an act of congress, but well, we need to do something for the commuters, more than the downtown area.
I realize people perceive a parking problem downtown. However, this site is too far from Town to be used by many, particularly elderly people. From 3 to 6 pm, that corner is a zoo. People are lined up High Street beyond Buzzell and out to New England Pizza on Portsmouth Avenue waiting to get into Town. Waiting for people to exit/enter a parking lot would be a further obstruction and would make the intersectgion more dangerous.
Add signage to the lots behind St. Anthony's and Stillwell's so people know there is available parking there, as well. At any given time of day, I have counted several spaces available, so I cannot justify the expense of the proposed project. The only time I have ever had difficulty was when trying to attend a planning board meeting at 7:00 pm. Outside of those two or three evenings, I have never run into difficulty finding a spot in the morning, at lunch, after school, or at dinner.
Open museum parking for public after museum hours, and advertise the municipal lot behind St. Anthony's because no one knows you can park there.
The traffic around the gazebo is confusing and dangerous both for cars and for pedestrians. That warrants more attention than a parking lot.
Parking garage on Water street, with commercial space at the front on the ground level for income (or sold as condos, to offset cost) charge for both garage and street parking. Now that we can't stripe tires, pay and display is the only way to enforce 2 hr. parking.

<p>Who is the parking for? Residents? Voters? Workers/employees? Transients? Our special events attract a lot of visitors. Is it for them? Or, for people who need parking almost every day? If it's for everyday, all day use, maybe the area around the rec department (after they leave) would be better than High Street. Try to divert through traffic to Newfields and Epping Roads and, maybe, Holland Way.</p>
<p>Could the High St/Portsmouth Ave intersection be considered a candidate for a traffic circle? Traffic is so bad lately, I know that's partly due to the work on Newfields Rd, but it's gotten much worse in the 14 years I've lived in Exeter. I'd rather see new businesses and retail at the proposed parking location. Could a parking lot (or garage) be located somewhere behind the new Bungalow Club? Or build a garage on the current lot between the police station and downtown? Or a garage on the lot behind the barber shop and St Anthony's?</p>
<p>maybe a parking lot for employees of the downtown businesses outside of town with a shuttle</p>
<p>The traffic downtown is mostly due to cars driving through downtown to Front street, Main street and Court street. The traffic is not related to lack of parking spots. While it takes a few minutes to get into the downtown area, once in it, the cars move steadily.</p>
<p>Parking regulations need to be flexible and creative work has to be done to find areas that are usable and then walkable to all members of the public.</p>
<p>The Town might examine daily use of the lot behind the bakery and barber shop on Water Street, as well as using the Main Street and Lincoln Street School lots in the evenings and on weekends.</p>
<p>I am also not in favor of tearing down additional older buildings. Don't lose the character of the classic New England town.</p>
<p>Maybe parking on the side of the train station... where the fabric or furniture store (whatever it is) over there. Definitely need more parking... but it can't be in a clustered place such as high street think of Portsmouth ave... the light and high street at any given point in the day the traffic is like sitting in downtown Boston... don't add a parking lot to cluster it even more.</p>
<p>I believe a parking lot in the proposed area will see little use, does not benefit downtown businesses, and will slow traffic on the Portsmouth Ave/High St. more than it currently is during rush hour. It is a poorly thought out plan that doesn't solve Exeter's need for more parking space.</p>
<p>Traffic is the larger issue. Most of the working day, coming into town along High Street is stop and go... and it the major route coming in from the east. Any additional parking for downtown should absolutely avoid this location. This location is also in the Exeter Historic District. Removal of houses here in the historic district? Really? Add to this the fact that a lot would reduce surrounding property values, and it is not a good idea. Note that the location is right next to the Phillips Exeter Academy fields and observatory. Presumably any new parking lot would be illuminated for night use, and this could (if done incorrectly) very negatively impact the observatory's work. I would hope that this work is done in consultation with the observatory leadership. Lastly - almost half a million dollars to pave a location?! That is absurdly overpriced. According to the notes, the cost doesn't even include demolition.</p>
<p>Better signage to identify available parking- better signs to direct people to the lot by the boat launch, to the lot behind the bakery by Swasey parkway, better signs to direct people to the back section of the municipal lot by the safety complex... the problem is not the lack of available spaces- it's lack of awareness for what spaces are actually available. Because it's free- folks feel concerned they are parking illegally when there are businesses associated with the lots. There are not clear indicators of what is legal/available. Fixing up lots, better lines, signs, etc.</p>
<p>I think PEA should redevelop their portion of the parcels into new faculty homes; the former Seacoast Lactation bldg should be razed and replaced with multi-unit housing/commercial use, and the current Pad Thai restaurant can become the new parking lot.</p>
<p>Traffic would also be minimized more if exit 10 on 101 would be re-opened. A lot of residents use that exit to avoid driving through the downtown. Since it has been closed to through traffic the downtown has become considerably higher trafficked and it takes much longer to get through the downtown than it used to. It makes residents not want to be out in the downtown during those high trafficked times of day. **Side note, the public restrooms that opened at the chamber of commerce downtown have been so helpful to families with kids who are playing down at Swasey Park and suddenly have to run their child up to a bathroom, since all the businesses are closed bathrooms no patrons allowed. I would only add, could hours be placed on the door? It doesn't say if it's a 24 hour restroom, or if it gets locked up at night what time. It would be nice to know and plan more accordingly** But great job Exeter on the public restroom addition, it's been a huge help for our family!</p>
<p>The parking structure should be aesthetically pleasing...significant amount of trees, shrubs, greenery need to be integrated into the overall design. Also, whatever is built needs to be well lit.</p>
<p>loka into a parking garage</p>
<p>The left turn movement from Rt 27 EB to Rt 108 NB currently runs protected only. This should be changed to a protected/permissive left turn movement based on the volumes out there. Making this change will improve operations and reduce the queuing along the EB approach .</p>
<p>You can alleviate a lot of traffic congestion by doing these simple things...</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No left turn onto Franklin St at Great Bridge. A car has to wait for a clear spot to turn left while cars are heading towards Portsmouth Ave. This backs up all the traffic to the High St-Portsmouth Ave lights. Let residents come in from Court St. They could still exit right from Franklin St to get to Portsmouth Ave. 2. Enforce jay walking. People cross the streets everywhere from Great Bridge to the bandstand. People are courteous and stop but that backs up traffic on High St and Portsmouth Ave.
<p>Please see above. Thank you very much ~</p>
<p>Someone after Main Street school.</p>
<p>Could there be a way to change the behavior of people? So many people bringing cars into town when it is so walkable and accessible does not feel environmentally friendly. I feel like the approach of a parking lot is just a quick fix and some discussions should be had about the greater impact of the high volume of vehicular traffic.</p>
<p>See above.</p>
<p>There should be more signage directing out of town traffic to the lot behind St Anthony's bakery, if that is a public lot. Most people think it's a private PEA lot.</p>
<p>Don't do it!!</p>
<p>It seems that for every person who has an issue with the lack of parking and wants a garage, there is a person who never has problems finding a space (like me). Therefore, I am unsure of what/where/when the problem is and what the possible remedies could be. I think building a garage is unnecessary and I would not vote for it, but I do support the parking logistics specialist (sorry..forgot the actual title) coming in and doing a study.</p>
<p>It would be a good idea to look into an electric shuttle if parking is this much of an issue</p>

It would be wonderful to have some small town-operated shuttle service to and from existing town lots. That way, we reduce traffic, and still allow people to have a ride downtown.
Perhaps we need to charge to encourage walking/biking?
Please please please do not put a parking lot in this spot. The benefit would be marginal and the hassles and danger would be pronounced.
Please do not make this area a parking lot.
Na
The town should encourage more people to bike and walk and not drive into town
Thank you for the chance to share our thoughts particularly as invested tax payers.
Street parking should be metered and eventually eliminated.
Both Portsmouth and Newburyport have parking areas that are outside main residential sectors. Offering rides from already established parking (Staples plaza) into downtown would solve the parking needs.
Traffic is bad enough without encouraging more. Also, residents in that area do not want it.
How about the perpetually empty lot that's boarded up near the Seadog? Or maybe the parking garage that already exists could be open to the public or expanded.
Maybe have more businesses that require more parking before making drastic moves with parking
Thanks!
No additional suggestions, except to remove parking spaces close to crosswalks to improve visibility of pedestrians (particularly the one in front of the IOKA).
We need parking by the train station.
Please see above
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I think traffic is so bad right now because of the Route 85 construction and all the other roadwork that's been going on. Parking isn't the issue. Traffic is. It seems like the town is growing and can't support the traffic flow when even one way out/in to town is taken away. Maybe parking signage could be made more obvious. I know there are places in lots that don't get used because people don't know they exist.
The area near the train station may be a more desirable area.
Get Phillips Exeter Academy to relinquish and tear down its outdated ITS Building at the corner of Water and Main and make more spaces -- or a parking garage! -- in the lot behind St. Anthony's. There may already be plans being made by PEA to vacate that building. If a parking garage goes in, try to make most if not all of it subterranean, if possible.
In the areas that there are existing parking lots could additional levels be added?
Could shuttle service be explored for high traffic events?
Please make sure this continues to be a conversation in the community.
First instinct will be to circle downtown in search of a closer spot. Without one, they will resort to this lot - ultimately adding to traffic congestion, and deterring people from driving to/through Exeter. Net result - lowered or equal economic activity for a hefty investment.
I personally do not consider parking and traffic a major issue in Exeter
NA
Have I mentioned public transportation? And bikes. We have 11 years to begin a strong downturn on our carbon emissions. That means us in our prosperous community. That means driving less. That means fewer cars. That means great solar powered buses and Electric booster bikes. Let's work on that plan instead of another parking garage. That moment has passed. Exeter really has the potential to be a leader in innovation in a new kind of downtown for the new era. Let's take up that role!
I hope that another solution can be found. What about paying Tom Yum, Exeter Cycles and Fenelon to make some their parking space public? They have a good 30 cars space between them. This would also not disrupt traffic as much and would not require additional construction
As a runner, I love circling through town, up High Street and to the Academy's fields through the path at that intersection. Personally, as a young woman who tends to run in the early evenings, I would completely change my route because it would make me feel uncomfortable -- and not particularly safe -- to run through a parking lot when folks are rushing out of the parking lot to get home after work. I avoid cutting through the parking lot in the middle of town (near Lainey and Lu's/across from Exeter Fine Crafts) and the one down near the water (behind Stillwell's) for the same reason. Exeter is such a fantastic town to run and walk in and I really do think this would change the safe pathways residents use daily.
It would be such a shame, I think...
There is more parking available than folks realize. More signage is needed.
Thank you for trying to address a problem in town. I'm not sure where else there could be parking.
I suggest a small parking sign with an arrow that points toward areas where there is cluster parking, promote more bike riding with signs and stations and urge event planners to include links to parking locales on their promo materials and lastly, promote our town as the lovely place that it is because you can walk/stroll and take it in. Everyone wins, less traffic, more patrons/customers, generates an overall good feeling when people see this and promotes healthy living. (I understand there are accessibility issues to be addressed)
The existing lost across from the police and fire station could have a two-three story building built on it without standing out negatively from the surrounding properties, whereby tripling the current capacity with very little negative impact. It would be more centrally located to all of downtown. Same is true of the "cut through" lot between Forest & Ash and Ganesh buildings. An appropriately designed building would be far superior to the current expanse of unlandscaped asphalt at the heart of the town. Also more centrally located.
Put a time limit on municipal lot.
Unnecessary

LOOK AT PORTSMOUTH NH AND CHARGE FOR PARKING

High street has the highest traffic count in town. Pedestrians in front of Sea Dog cause backups there. Another light cycle needs to be worked out carefully. Although they haven't been taken care of well both buildings owners shouldn't count on demolition as a solution to upgrade their properties if you can call a parking lot an upgrade. They are in an Historic District. Find a different adaptive re-use. Have some respect. A parking lot representative gateway to downtown? How about the SR. Center lot?

Suggestions above

It is difficult for me to comment without the aforementioned additional information...cost, total new spaces, aesthetics, environmental impact, traffic flow impact, etc.

Hopefully it will be free

Incentives for walkers/bikers.

If you really need more parking, put it out on Portsmouth Ave and shuttle people into town. Do not need parking garages or more lots in town. It would be an eye-sore. Encourage people to walk. Increase signage for the free public parking lots. More bandstand to the side. Look into one way from bandstand to Great Bridge & the String Bridge one-way coming into Water Street.

Maybe you could make parking cost money with really expensive meters, to encourage people to walk there or use other ways of getting there.

Exeter has talked about parking for decades but in reality it's not a priority- and if the need arose the best spot would be on the public lot on Water street opposite the Ioka- build a garage Roth retail on the ground floor

My hope is that after road construction on Newfields Road is FINALLY completed, downtown traffic will be less congested. But adding more parking is not the solution to downtown congestion, but will only aggravate it. And why not work on developing other parts of the town?? We've had numerous planning meetings about "West Exeter" on Lincoln Street and store fronts are closed there...

See above suggestions

If parking is really at a tipping point then build a garage on water street opposite the Ioka with access from the street behind as well. You could add storefronts on the ground floor facing water street

Terrible town management and terrible choices of investment.

There are plenty of spots that are not immediately down town that people can use. I would love to see a study of how many spots are within a mile radius of down town and at what distance away people stop using them. I honestly think people have historically expected to get a spot close and as the town has grown that expectation needs to change.

Downtown shuttle from 108.

Parking lots are ugly. Exeter is small and amazing in so many ways, one of which is it's beautiful. Hold on to that.

n/a

That area is not that close to downtown. Plus you still have to cross the street to get to most of the shops/ restaurants. Water street can be dangerous as you round the corner into town as well.

I am fine with the way it is now.

1. Have we truly defined the problem? Why is it that everyone on the community page says they don't have a problem parking and yet we are finding a solution to the parking problem?
2. We need to move the bandstand to improve traffic flow.
3. Before we spend money on parking we need to improve the many intersections that need improving; Pine/Lincoln. Winter/Front. Park/Epping Rd or main or whatever it is called (across from Winter). Exiting Wallace Road on the end toward Brentwood.
4. Whats up with the eyesore of the hankie factory and can't we buy that place for parking?
5. Can we use the Lincoln St School parking lot on weekends and evenings for parking unless there is an event there? (use signage to indicate whether the lot is open or not).
6. There are always empty spaces at the Thai place and Fenelon - can we work a deal with them?

I also think if you extend sidewalks and better lighting down Court street through Gary Lane and out towards Marshall Farms, you would have more people walk into town than drive.

None

please make sure you are looking to the Future, and add a row of spaces for electric vehicle charging

See above!

What about the empty lot next to police station (former gas station site)?

What about a small parking space on Front Street where the Presbyterian church used to be?

Proposal is a good one.

If anything, Exeter needs a bypass so you don't have to go through town to get to the other side of it. The traffic backs up almost to Buzzell Avenue in the afternoons/evenings when school/work let out. The closure of 85 has contributed to that issue, but there has definitely been more traffic at this intersection over the past year. On the weekends, direct people to park at the Main Street School parking lot. Also, make the town more bike friendly to encourage folks to get out of their cars.

We should try first to incentivize not driving into downtown in the first place. Paid parking may help with that. Maybe there are other things, like getting or even paying store owners and staff to park away from the most congested area. Maybe there could be a parking advantage for electric or hybrid vehicles. Of course there would be fury at first, and I don't love the optics. But where is the logic of more accommodations for fossil-fuel burning cars (like mine)? Is there any history of towns that have decided against parking expansions? If so, what did they do instead, and how has it worked? Also more pavement means more runoff, in this case runoff into the river. We have just spent a lot of money to try to improve the quality of water that we send to Great Bay.

This is a very complicated riddle. You should begin (as you are, I think) by gathering information. Just make sure you are asking enough hard questions.

Again unless you want to turn into a "Cheers" type of town all the parking won't mean anything. Shop owners need to look at operational times. Whats open after 6pm? The bars.

See above.

Consider a parking garage in current downtown Water St parking area. There is definitely a huge problem that needs to be addressed. As far as parking meters go — many years ago parking meters were removed from downtown because it was too costly to collect the fees....Also how about parking at the old law office building at parkway entrance.

The town does not need a parking lot on High Street. That would just be terrible.

See above. If this lot happens I can guarantee you that it will sit mostly empty most of the time, certainly in the colder/wetter weather.

Sunday afternoon: Street parking available, the lot in town has available spaces, only a couple cars behind St. Anthony. Plenty of people walking around, they all parked somewhere.

I don't have any suggestions other than making sure people are aware of what is available.

Please see my previous explanation.

It would be good to know, if possible, what is causing the slow down in the downtown area that creates the backup at the light at Portsmouth Ave. Is it too many people crossing outside of crosswalks? Too many cars turning left across from Sea Dog onto Franklin St ? Bigger delivery trucks parked on the street which makes it hard for 2 cars to pass?

If you absolutely must have a parking garage put it in the lot behind our current lot across from the police station. The intersection of Portsmouth and High Street is the wrong place to have this much construction over a long period of time and prevents businesses from being able to occupy that space. Exeter must become more flexible on the type of businesses that we allow downtown. We could make revenue from places like Starbucks instead of letting CBD oil shops into the downtown area. Taxes are too expensive for this kind of crap

An electric shuttle from the Margarita's or Rite Aid parking lots to the bandstand would be a much less disruptive solutions. It would be cheaper, more environmentally friendly, and it would allow the observatory to function at its current capacity

nothing else to add

signage for existing parking

The soon this is done the better. It should also be consider for a multilevel parking garage at a later time.

I will give my views at the meeting October 16.

The light at Portsmouth Ave. and High Street needs to be longer on the High Street side, turning left onto Portsmouth Ave., between 3PM and 6PM.

The intersection in the middle of town: The stop sign going east on Water Street, past the bandstand, should be a "merge" instead of the stop sign. This would improve the extremely long lines during morning and evening busy hours, and ease the confusion on both sides about when to cross through and when to wait.

Please consider adding electric vehicle parking spaces and Level 2 charging stations, or at the very least leaving space or room in plans for the future as this technology becomes more mainstream. It's very important that Exeter is accessible to EV drivers.

No plan for parking lot unless it includes 4 charging stations at least. Also not in favor of purchasing the land from PEA when we recently GAVE them a street near their new arts building. Time for share and share alike!

I don't believe we need more parking lots in the downtown at present. I think there are other things we could do as a town to ease parking issues -- although I don't think having to hunt for a few minutes for a parking spot is a "parking issue", that's just normal. I would love to see other modes of transportation encouraged.

Again.....parking kiosks and enforcing our parking laws and restrictions

The down should begin the planning and budgeting for a parking structure in the lot across from the IOKA. Also implement pay and display parking throughout the town, not just at the Amtrak Station.

Put in kiosks and lets get into the current century of doing things.

If the entrance to the parking lot or exit can be positioned so there is a light for those leaving from the parking lot I feel that could address congestion. Also that cars going to the parking lot from Portsmouth Ave can go directly into the lot I would think that would prevent potential congestion.

Once the construction has finished the traffic will improve.

Parking should be closer to the downtown shops....garage in existing lot....High Street proposal would be a congestion nightmare and not get full utilization

more congestion at the intersection. longer times waiting for lights .

With so many great restaurants and events in Exeter more parking would ease all the street parking.

Parking could greatly benefit the downtown area, as it will likely attract more businesses to feel comfortable moving into the downtown area. However, as its important that it doesn't add more traffic congestion through downtown

add parking closer to bandstand or swasey

Add blinking/flashing lights systems like at Pea at the crosswalks so cars know when people are about to cross I've seen so many close calls for downtown .. there's 5 major crosswalks

Someone had mentioned in the town group on FB about a parking garage. I am not sure if this is a option but I for one was not sure how that would work. Know Exeter has a certain small town appeal that residents and visitors alike enjoy. I for one would hate to see us loose that quality in the name of progress. Plus I am not sure if this is the forum for the proposed parking meters on Lincoln Street business area, but if it is. I want to get my opinion in for being against that idea. I personally feel it would work against the businesses in that area by keeping patrons away. BUT if it is something that will be done even if residents are against it I hope they at least make them have at least a two hour grace period so those eating at establishments and or shopping are not penalized.

See responses associated with previous questions. Space at Citizens ATM should be in play before adding space at the expense of historic district space.

I trust the judgement of our local leaders, to balance the economic growth with environmental and sustainability concerns.

If you build more parking, please invest in a couple Electric Vehicle Charging stations. I trust the judgement of our local leaders, to balance the economic growth with environmental and sustainability concerns.

none

If the town is able to open up some of the one-way roads in the downtown area to two-way traffic, I think that could improve the traffic flow.

I would love to see Water Street as pedestrian only from the bandstand to the Parkway. Also charging stations for electric vehicles.
Is there a way to look at revamping the current lots for more parking?
Please move away from controlled intersections with lights. They are incredibly inefficient with dealing with real time traffic volume. Please consider eventually installing a roundabout at the intersection of High Street and Portsmouth Ave.
Consider making Downtown a one way similar to Downtown Durham. Funnel inbound High Street traffic up and around the Library over the bridge between OBA and Realty. This bridge becomes one way with two lanes (L/R) into downtown, yielding to traffic. Beginning in front of OBA, two one way lanes carry traffic from Me and Ollies/OBA area towards Sea Dog. The one way direction creates a safer atmosphere for pedestrians and bikers while eliminating cars blocking traffic turning left into the schezuan municipal lot (which causes further jams closer to the high street intersection)
Traffic rejoins opposite high street traffic across the bridge in the area of the rounded brick building overlooking Founder's Park. Outbound traffic does not yield while left lane traffic connects with inbound traffic and continues around the library.
This opens the possibility of expanding sidewalks.
I would prefer the town to go "up" when considering additional parking. Tasteful levels added to existing lots is preferable over consuming more land with pavement.
Follow the master plan. Put more businesses in the Lincoln St corridor (Uptown) and don't sell out by stuffing a bunch more residential units in the area. Make better use of the elementary parking lots when school is out. Also consider a second parking level there. And do not bring back parking meters. It will just punish business owners.
Encourage people to walk more! Additionally, facilitate easier parking on side streets (eg lines so people can maximize parking space)
I would prefer to see open space considered for parking.
Parking garage at location of current civic lot is best solution, with particular attention paid to architectural style and storefronts facing Water St.
Parking garage should be explored. Should be done by private party that Would release garage to town after certain amount of years
Why not make Swazey one way and allow parallel parking on one side? Close to town and a scenic and pleasant walk to & from town. There is no compelling reason for swazey to maintain 2 way traffic given parallel water street a hundred feet away.
See above
Are there any lots available near Hall Place or Woodland Circle? I think this would be a great place for a lot and help divert added congestion to the High St. area.
As one who has previously lived in numerous areas where parking is genuinely difficult (May have to wait for a spot for a while) I chuckle when I hear a complaint about lack of parking in Exeter. It's a matter of perspective; we don't have a parking problem (yet anyways....)
One of the problems is that with the increase of business (I.e. seadog) the employees are taking up much of the downtown parking. Perhaps a restriction on where employees park to allow patrons the closer in town spots
better signage for public parking lots. use school parking lots at night if parking is seen as a problem. encourage people to walk instead of driving. spend the money on sorting out the Pine Street/Linden Street/Front Street junction with a painted roundabout.
See above
Walk around the back streets in the downtown area and see all of the empty spaces both in the daytime and at night. Add a no right turn on from 4pm to 6 pm on Thursday & Friday and watch the traffic go away downtown.
Too expensive. Please leave High Street alone.
I would love to be able to access downtown more not just when I can find a spot. Especially when there is an event.
If you are going to put it there why not just make it a parking garage.
I think that we should have paid parking everywhere. There will be many parking spots open.
manage the space we have
Regarding traffic downtown, when we first moved to Exeter, the Bandstand was a Rotary. It worked well. There was no STOP going east on Water Street. Traffic flowed smoothly. More and more traffic is coming from Portsmouth Ave through downtown, taking a left onto Front Street thus holding up traffic going in the opposite direction towards Portsmouth Ave/High Street. Regarding paid parking at the train station and downtown, NO. More \$\$\$\$. How long to recoup? Who will recoup? Not Exeter residents. It was suggested Lincoln Street School parking area for train parking overflow. Is that an option? Exeter is a small community which attracts many outsiders for it's quaintness, shopping, walkability and activities (including Academy parents). We don't want to lose that.
It is in the wrong location, need a traffic study for the downtown area. Then see how much it would cost to put a 2 story garage in the only existing parking lot on W
not sure if a parking area near portsmouth ave would be helpful. also that intersection is already one of the worst in town for traffic. at many times during the day traffic backs up on high st to buzell ave. and vehicles block the intersection and only three cars can make it through intersection into town on high st. i can't imagine construction for a new lot and the change of traffic pattern of a new parking area right there will help traffic and would be worth the costs (financial and inconvenience). thank you.
My suggestion for traffic: make Main St one-way and make crosswalks much easier to use/easier to see pedestrians.
I would also look at the terrible new traffic flow near the train station. Trucks now have to block the road in order to deliver goods to the shops. Make the side near Ace Hardware for delivery trucks only.
Frankly, putting a second floor onto the back part of the lot across from Serendipity seems less intrusive to me. How much street parking does PEA utilize and, if a lot, are they part of this conversation/solution? They have potential parking options.... I will think about this. Thank you for asking the community.
Consider making a parking garage where the town lot for Lani & Lu's / Szechuan Taste is.
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Studying charging for parking on Lincoln St. is a good idea, if: (1) People who are shopping or going to a restaurant on that street can park free for 1 or 2 hours. A parking charge for these people would be a deterrent to use of the Lincoln St. businesses. (2) People who need to park for longer are charged (such as those using Amtrak).

I don't support charging for parking in the Front St. / Water St. area; I believe that this would be a deterrent to use of businesses located in this area.

do not have enough information

I think utilizing the available parking that is owned by local businesses and organizations with parking lots near the downtown is a better idea. Have any of the businesses been approached to see if they would allow or lease out a space or two to downtown merchants? If all employees are able to park away from Water Street and walk that would certainly help.

There are many usable parking places in lots behind buildings.

I hope to not have paid parking downtown. I think it would hurt businesses to have paid street parking. I wish I could think of an area that would be best to add parking. Too bad the lot near the post office that is overgrown with weeds isn't available. Could fit some but not many extra spots there.

Construct a round about using the string bridge, with one way traffic.

Exeter is too small for paid parking. The essential problem does not feel like a lack of parking, it feels like too much traffic flows through downtown. People drive through downtown to get somewhere else.

Epping Road TIF Update – November 12th, 2019

TIF Advisory Committee Notes

10.9.19

Attendees: Darren Winham, Anne Surman, Tom Monahan, Mike Lampert, Jon Shafmaster

Board discussed the current disposition of the Epping Road TIF, its current value versus original and the remaining bonding authority.

Current disposition of the Epping Road TIF

Current value: \$121,863,709 Original value: \$78,625,463

Retained TIF: \$43,238,246

Remaining bonding authority \$3,215,320

Board discussed future considerations of the TIF borrowing authority and weighed the town's options so that the board can fulfill its charge to recommend to the Select Board a course of action regarding the TIF.

Future considerations for the remaining TIF borrowing resources

Discussion ensued of standing pat, reallocating TIF funds or sunsetting bond.

The board wants to further explore with NHDOT the option of using TIF funds to pay or co-pay for a traffic light at the northern intersection of Rt. 27 and 101. This has been identified as a chokepoint for further development of the Epping Road TIF District.

Board discussed potential zoning changes on more challenging parcels in the TIF District. No conclusions were reached.

TIF Bond Payback
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	Principal	Interest	Total	Revenues
2019	420,000	250,193	670,193.25	Paid
2020	420,000	192,015	612,015.00	
2021	420,000	170,595	590,595.00	
2022	420,000	149,175	569,175.00	
2023	420,000	127,755	547,755.00	
2024	420,000	106,335	526,335.00	
2025	420,000	84,915	504,915.00	
2026	415,000	63,495	478,495.00	
2027	415,000	42,330	457,330.00	
2028	415,000	21,165	436,165.00	
	4,185,000	1,207,973	5,392,973.25	

Partial interest payments due February each year
Principal/interest payments due August each year

	Total tax	Less State Ed	Net Tax
2019 increment	43,426,115	1,010,526	84,681
			925,845

Notes: Adjustments will be made for non taxable property in the TIF

Initial borrowing amount: \$4,730,022
Bond Premium: \$545,022
Payback Amount: \$4,185,000

Bonding Authority
6,845,342 2015 article
1,100,000 2018 article
7,945,342

NHMBB New Hampshire Municipal Bond Bank

2018 SERIES B NON GUARANTEED

10 YEAR DEBT SCHEDULE FOR

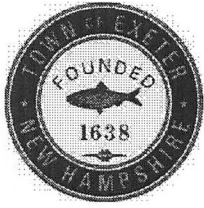
TOWN OF EXETER - Project #3

DATE PREPARED:	05/22/18	Total Proceeds	\$4,730,022.00
BONDS DATED: 06/13/18	08/15/18	Premium to Reduce Loan	\$545,022.00
INTEREST START DATE: 242 days	06/13/18	Amount of Loan to be Paid	\$4,185,000.00
FIRST INTEREST PAYMENT:	02/15/19		
TRUE INTEREST COST:	2.5500%		

DEBT YEAR	PERIOD ENDING	PRINCIPAL OUTSTANDING	PRINCIPAL	RATE	INTEREST	TOTAL PAYMENT*	CALENDAR YEAR TOTAL PAYMENT
	02/15/19				\$143,475.75	\$143,475.75	
1	08/15/19	\$4,185,000.00	\$420,000.00	5.100%	106,717.50	526,717.50	\$670,193.25
	02/15/20				96,007.50	96,007.50	
2	08/15/20	3,765,000.00	420,000.00	5.100%	96,007.50	516,007.50	612,015.00
	02/15/21				85,297.50	85,297.50	
3	08/15/21	3,345,000.00	420,000.00	5.100%	85,297.50	505,297.50	590,595.00
	02/15/22				74,587.50	74,587.50	
4	08/15/22	2,925,000.00	420,000.00	5.100%	74,587.50	494,587.50	569,175.00
	02/15/23				63,877.50	63,877.50	
5	08/15/23	2,505,000.00	420,000.00	5.100%	63,877.50	483,877.50	547,755.00
	02/15/24				53,167.50	53,167.50	
6	08/15/24	2,085,000.00	420,000.00	5.100%	53,167.50	473,167.50	526,335.00
	02/15/25				42,457.50	42,457.50	
7	08/15/25	1,665,000.00	420,000.00	5.100%	42,457.50	462,457.50	504,915.00
	02/15/26				31,747.50	31,747.50	
8	08/15/26	1,245,000.00	415,000.00	5.100%	31,747.50	446,747.50	478,495.00
	02/15/27				21,165.00	21,165.00	
9	08/15/27	830,000.00	415,000.00	5.100%	21,165.00	436,165.00	457,330.00
	02/15/28				10,582.50	10,582.50	
10	08/15/28	415,000.00	415,000.00	5.100%	10,582.50	425,582.50	436,165.00
TOTALS			\$4,185,000.00		\$1,207,973.25	\$5,392,973.25	\$5,392,973.25

***Debt service payments are due 30 days prior to the payment date per sections four and five of the loan agreement**

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TO: SELECT BOARD AND RUSS DEAN, TOWN MANAGER
FROM: DOREEN CHESTER, FINANCE DIRECTOR
SUBJECT: BUDGET VS ACTUAL RESULTS (UNAUDITED) AS OF 9/30/19 & 9/30/18
DATE: NOVEMBER 12, 2019

General Fund Budget vs. Actual Revenues and Expenses

General Fund Revenues

As of the third quarter ended, Sept 30, 2019, (“current year”) General Fund (“GF”) actual revenues are \$11.4M and 58% collected versus the prior year, September 30, 2018, with revenues of \$11.7M or 61% collected.

- The \$315K year-over-year variance is due to the smoothing out of property taxes for the first half billing by \$1M which is offset by increased building permit fees of \$ 258K and income from departments of \$79K plus an increase of \$191.6K in FY19 warrant article appropriations.

Revenue highlights for the third quarter of the FY19 are as follows:

- **Property Taxes:** \$6.7M (Second half of property taxes to be billed in Nov 2019)
- **Motor Vehicle Revenues:** \$2.3M (5% increase of \$101K over prior year)
- **Building & Permit Fees:** \$ 398.2K (\$258K increase over prior year)
 - Osrsm Sylvania Renovation \$17.7K, Unital Energy 52.8 sq. ft. Building \$60K
 - 69 Main Street \$ 9.6K, 140 High St Renovation \$5.1K, Riverwoods updates \$3K
- **Other Permits and Fees:** \$ 134.2K (\$2K increase from prior year)
- **State Highway Block Grant:** \$216K (\$4.6K or 2% increase from prior year)
- **Income from Departments:** \$ 679K (\$79K or 13% increase from prior)
 - Blue Bag revenue is \$395.5K (up by \$67K or 17% from prior year)
 - Transfer Station permit fees, \$31K (increase of \$14K or 46% from prior year)
 - Brush Dump fees which were adopted in FY19 brought in \$5K
 - Above increases are offset by \$3K and \$1.6K decreases in recycle bin and electronics disposal revenue.
- **State Grants:** \$20K: (flat year/year)
 - RERP \$6.4K, MTAG \$ 7.5K and Asset Management \$ 5.6, Railroad .68K
- **Sale of Town Property:** \$132K (Garrison Lane)

TOWN OF EXETER – BVA REVENUE & EXPENDITURES 2019 VS 2018 (UNAUDITED)

- **Interest Income:** \$105.7K (increase of \$103.6K over prior year, because the Town is receiving a higher rate of interest from Citizens Bank.)
- **Amounts voted from fund balance** in 2019 are \$361.8K and are shown separately as a note. These items do not effect current year net income.
 - Warrant articles voted from fund balance are:
 - Sick Leave Trust, \$100K, LED Lighting Program, \$ 187.8K, Swasey Parkway Expendable Trust, \$24K and Snow/Ice Non-CRF Funds - \$50K held by the Trustee of Trust Funds.

General Fund Expenditures

General Fund expenditures are \$ 13.8M or 71% spent against budget vs the prior year of \$13.4M or 70% spent through the third quarter. The year-over-year increase is \$417K or 3%.

General Government Group (SB, TM, HR, Legal, TC, EL and MO)

- General government group expenditures are \$ 663.5K or 75% spent through the current quarter.
 - Select Board expenses are \$18K or 76% spent by the third quarter includes a \$3K purchase of laptops for all Select Board members.
 - Town Manager expenses are \$ 174.3K or 74% spent against budget.
 - Human Resources budget is \$70K or 59% spent against budget due to timing of new part-time hire and unallocated wage reclassification of \$6K through the third quarter.

Finance Group (Finance, Tax, Assessing and IT)

- In total, Finance group expenditures are \$635.3K or 72% spent against the current year budget.
- In general, all of the departments in the Finance group have average 72% spending through the third quarter except for Information Technology, “IT” at 59%.
- IT is under-spent due to the timing of planned computer purchases and other equipment upgrades. These capital outlay items are \$15.6K or 55% spent at the end of the third quarter.

Planning, Other Boards and Building Inspection Departments

- Planning and Building Inspection expenses are \$ 396.3K or 73% spent against the budget for current year.
 - Part-time wages in the planning department are only \$38.6K or 55% spent against the current year budget. Part-time hours were budgeted for two positions at 27.5 hours per week each. The employees in the position are averaging only 18 hours per week. The Planning Director is currently reviewing these hours for the upcoming FY20 budget.
- Grant Matching expenses for the MTAG Grant (Municipal Technical Assistance Grant) of \$9.2K appear over-budget in this line item for Planning. (This grant allows the study of affordable housing and infill development through a feature based Zoning Ordinance.)
- The MTAG Grant is 75% reimbursable with the Town matching 25% or \$20K. Reimbursements to date are \$7.5K that is reflected in the general fund State Grant revenue line item.
- Historic District Commission appears to be overspent by \$11K on the grant matching line, but is reimbursable.

Police Department

- Police department expenditures are \$2.5M or 65% spent against the current year budget. Many budgeted wages for the PD were higher than actual expenditures due to new employees that filled the positions in all divisions and are earning less than their predecessor.
- Police Administration full-time wages are \$494K or 66% spent through the third quarter. A decrease in the full-time wages, taxes and benefits is due to the retirements of the Police Chief and Office Manager earlier in Q1 and Q2 of this year.
- Both Patrol and Communications Divisions have decreased wages, taxes and benefits of \$7K and \$19K, because of retirements and new hires in FY19 during the first half of the year.
- Overall, the police department spent \$81.9K less than the prior year through the third quarter.

Fire Department

- Fire Department expenses are \$2.6M or 68% spent against budget through the end of September 2019.
- Fire Administration is \$404K or 70% spent at the end of the quarter.
 - There is a \$3K increase due to budgeted increases in wages, taxes and benefits.
 - Part-time wages budgeted at \$10.8K in Fire Administration are only \$2K or 19% spent due to a delay in hiring until the third quarter of FY19.
- Fire Suppression is \$2.1M or 67% spent at the end of the third quarter.
 - Sick replacement wages are over-budget by \$6K due to unforeseen long-term illnesses.
 - Capital Outlay in Fire Suppression of \$ 18,900 for the Plymovent Vehicle Exhaust system was expended by the end of the third quarter.
- Expenditures for the Health and Emergency Management Departments are \$97K and \$22K, respectively and are flat year over year.

Public Works Department

- The Public works department budget is \$3.8M or 70% spent at the end of September 2019.
- Storm water Department is \$9.6K or 16% spent due to timing of software agreement of \$6.5K paid in the fourth quarter of the year.
- The Highways and Streets budget is \$1.5M or 76% spent through the third quarter.
 - Road paving is 90% spent or at \$722.5K.
- The streetlights account is \$ 113K or 66% spent through the end of the third quarter and is lower by \$4.8K from the prior year.
- The current year snow and ice budget is \$ 294.7K or 94% spent through the end of the third quarter. Frequent winter storms during the first quarter of the current year quickly diminished the balance available for the rest of the year to \$19.9K. The total budget was \$ 314K for FY19.
- The solid waste department is \$804K or 64% spent year to date, which is \$3.5K lower than the prior year. A five-year solid waste contract was awarded to Waste Management and signed in May of 2017. The contract runs through 2020 and includes a 3% inflationary cap each year.
- Maintenance of other Town structures (all Town Buildings) is \$190.5K or 70% spent to date. The Town Hall and Senior Center spending is at 58% and 51% respectively, due to timing of electricity and gas bills and timing of maintenance projects.

Welfare Department & Human Services

- Welfare department expenditures are \$47.9K or 70% spent. . Some of the direct relief expenditures are offset by donated revenue from The Wentworth Trust. Reimbursements for welfare received through the third quarter is \$ 14.7K.
 - Welfare reimbursement revenue is reported in Income from Departments in the general fund to offset the welfare expenses.
- Human Services is \$62.6K or 59% spent due to timing of receipt of agency documentation before bills are paid.

Parks & Recreation

- Parks & Recreation expenditures to date are \$402.8K or 75% versus \$ 388K or 74% in the prior year.
- Recreation expenditures to date are \$227.4K or 72% versus \$ 231.5K or 74% in the prior year representing a net decrease of \$4.2K due to timing of expenses.
- Parks department expenditures are 175.5K or 79% in the current year versus \$ 156.7 or 74% in the prior year. The variance is an \$18.5K increase year-over-year.
 - Contracted services is \$34.8K or 89% spent through the third quarter and makes up \$16.4K of the variance increase above.
 - Contracted services include payments to vendors for mowing, seeding, fertilizing, raking and various parks repairs throughout the year.

Debt Service principal and interest of \$1.1M in the General Fund is 100% paid at the end of the third quarter.

General Fund Net Income /Deficit

- **General Fund Net Deficit is \$ (2.5) M** due to timing of property tax revenue stream, which is common at the end of the third quarter. All of the items affecting net income are included in the revenue and expense sections above.

Water Fund Budget vs. Actual Revenue and Expenditures

Water Fund Revenues

- Water Fund (“WF”) enterprise revenues are \$2.7M or 83% collected against budget as of the quarter ended September 30, 2019. Gross revenues for the prior quarter were \$2.8M or 82%. The variance in water fund revenues represents a \$43.8K decrease from the prior year.
 - Water consumption charges and water service fees are \$ 2.2M and \$ 435.6K versus \$2.3M and \$430.5K from the prior year; respectively. This represents a \$24K decrease in revenue year over year.
 - Water assessment fees are down by \$20K from the prior year.
- Water consumption and water service fees will be increased as of the October 30, 2019 billing as follows

<u>Water Rates</u>	<u>Old Rates</u>	<u>New Rates</u>
Tier 1: Up to 21,000 gallons quarterly usage	8.12 per 1,000 gallons	8.38 per 1,000 gallons
Tier 2: 21,001 - 105,000 gallons quarterly usage	10.16 per 1,000 gallons	10.48 per 1,000 gallons
Tier 3: Above 105,000 gallons quarterly usage	12.19 per 1,000 gallons	12.57 per 1,000 gallons
<u>Water Service Fees</u>	<u>Old Rates</u>	<u>New Rates</u>
	\$40.50 per quarter	\$42 per quarter

(More information about water rates is located on the Town’s website: www.exeternh.gov under Departments)

Water Fund Expenses

- WF expenses are \$ 2.6M or 80% spent against budget through the third quarter of 2019 and have increased \$381K over the prior year.
- Water Administration has a decrease of \$11K mostly due to less property insurance of \$29K in the current year offset by \$18K increase in budgeted wages, taxes and benefits and formally filling the position of W&S Engineer in FY19.
- Increased expenses in Water Treatment of \$7K and Water Distribution of \$17K are mainly associated with budgeted increases for wages, taxes and benefits per union contract.
- Water debt service has increased by \$342.5K and is directly related to the Washington Street waterline debt service principal and interest commencing in FY19.

Water Fund Net Income

- Water Fund Net Income through the third quarter is \$ 68.2K versus \$493.5K for the prior year. All of the factors affecting net income are stated in the revenue and expense sections.

Sewer Fund Budget vs. Actual Revenues and Expenditures

Sewer Fund Revenues

- Sewer Fund (“SF”) revenues through the third quarter of 2019 are \$ 2.75M or 96% collected. The prior year reflects revenues of \$ 2.69M or 105%. The biggest driver of the \$ 70K increase in revenues is the new sewer rate increase that became effective in March 2018.
- Although there is a current increase in revenues year over year, the trend will not continue. A year-end debt service payment due for the new Wastewater Treatment Plant will place new demands for a higher revenue stream now and in the future.
- New sewer rates were developed and will go into effect as of the October 30, 2019 billing are as follows:

<u>Sewer Rates</u>	<u>Old Rates</u>	<u>New Rates</u>
Tier 1: Up to 21,000 gallons quarterly usage	7.30 per 1,000 gallons	13.63 per 1,000 gallons
Tier 2: 21,001 - 105,000 gallons quarterly usage	9.13 per 1,000 gallons	17.04 per 1,000 gallons
Tier 3: Above 105,000 gallons quarterly usage	10.95 per 1,000 gallons	20.45 per 1,000 gallons
<u>Sewer Service Fees</u>	<u>Old Rates</u>	<u>New Rates</u>
	\$40 per quarter	\$41 per quarter

(More information about sewer rates is located on the Town’s website: www.exeternh.gov under Departments)

Sewer Fund Expenses

- Sewer Fund expenses are \$ 1.99M or 69% spent against budget through the third of the year compared to \$1.77M or 69% spent against budget in the prior year. This represents an overall \$208.9K increase year over year.
- Sewer Treatment has increased by \$211K over the prior year. The increase is due to more wages, taxes and benefits of \$93K for the new wastewater treatment plant operators hired in FY19.
- Electricity costs to operate the new wastewater treatment facility that went online in the first half of FY19 have increased by \$60K through the end of the third quarter.
- Sewer Fund Debt Service has decreased by \$93K from the prior year. This is due to the payoff of the Water Street Intercept principal and interest in FY18. The decrease is temporary until the fourth quarter payment of the new Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Sewer Fund Net Income

- Sewer Fund Net Income is \$752K through the third quarter of the year versus prior year net income of \$929K. All of the factors affecting net income are included above in the revenue and expense sections.

Revolving Funds - Budget vs. Actual Revenues and Expenses

EMS Revolving Fund

- EMS revolving fund revenue through the third quarter of 2019 is \$ 421K or 76% versus \$ 418K or 79% in the prior year. The amount is slightly higher by \$3K.
- Wages, taxes and benefits are \$ 132K or 71% spent against the current year budget versus \$ 108K or 70% spent against the prior year budget.
- EMS overtime has increased through the third quarter by \$17K or 46% due to higher call volume in the current year.
- General Expenses are \$174.6K or 104% spent against budget versus \$124K or 72% spent in the prior year representing a \$50K or 41% increase over the prior year.
 - The increase of \$50K in general expenses over the prior year is due to \$37K in prepayments for a new ambulance chassis. There was a \$1K savings to the Town to pay this up front.
 - There is a \$6K increase in the new ambulance lease compared to the prior year.
 - The balance of the new ambulance, \$ 229,322 that will be financed over a 3-year period.
- Current year net income of \$114K reflects a decrease of \$71K from the prior year due to the expenses listed above.

Cable Television Revolving Fund (“CATV”)

- CATV revenues are \$75.5K and \$76.9K as of September 30, 2019 and 2018. Year to date, Comcast has paid only two of the four payments due to the Town.
- Wages, taxes and benefits are \$75.5K in the current year versus \$80.9K spent against budget in the prior year. The slight decrease of \$5.4K is due to part-time employee turnover in FY19.
- General expenses are \$80.2K in the current year and \$68.2K in the prior year. The \$ 12K variance is due to CATV capital outlay expenditures for a government tricaster and related equipment to enhance broadcasting capabilities for the Town.
- Net Deficit is \$(79.9) K through the third quarter of the current year versus \$ (72.2) K in the prior year. The net deficit is due to the timing of Comcast revenue payments to the Town.

Recreation Revolving Fund (“RR”)

Recreation Revolving Fund Revenues are \$ 589K or 92% collected in the current year versus \$500.2K or 87% collected in the prior year. The increase of \$89K over the prior year is mostly due to expanded programming in FY19.

- Program revenue is \$412K and has increased by \$53K over the prior year due to the number of registrants permitted for summer camp programs expanded in the current year.
- Pool program revenues are \$43.9K in the current year that is \$8.9K higher than the prior year. Revenue from pool programs is driven by weather conditions for pool usage.
- Concession stand revenue has increased by \$4.6K to \$ 36.7K in the current year.
- Sponsorship revenue is \$ 13.7K and reflects an increase of \$6.2 from the prior year.
- Recreation impact fees are up by \$21K in the current year due to more building projects that meet the qualifications to contribute toward these fees.
- Wages and payroll taxes are \$247.9K in the current year and \$244.2K K in prior year. Increases are mostly due to more staff hired in FY19 than FY18 for the summer camps.
- General expenses include categories directly related to recreation programs such as pool chemicals, water and sewer bills, printing, advertising, capital outlay and pool food expenses.
- General expenses are \$393.3K or 99% spent against the current year budget versus \$410.6K or 120% spent against prior year budget and represents a decrease of \$17.3K from the prior year is mostly due to timing of expenses for Special Events.
- Net deficit is \$(51.8) K for the current year and \$(154.7) K in the prior year and represents an increase in net income of \$102.8K from the prior year. The net income is expected to improve when receipts from the annual Powder Keg Event held in October each year are recorded for the fourth quarter of the year.

Town of Exeter
General Fund Revenues (unaudited)
As of September 30, 2019 and 2018

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General Fund Revenues	Current Year 2019 Budget vs Actual				Prior Year 2018 Budget vs Actual				Comparison of Actuals	
	Description	Actual Revenue		% Collected	2018 Budget	Actual Revenue		% Collected	2019 vs 2018 \$ Variance	2019 vs 2018 % Variance
		2019 Budget	09/30/2019			\$ Variance	09/30/2018			
Property Tax Revenue	\$ 13,170,380	\$ 6,743,913	\$ 6,426,467	51.2%	\$ 12,758,339	\$ 7,818,802	\$ 4,939,537	61.3%	\$ (1,074,889)	-14%
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	3,025,000	2,328,421	696,579	77%	2,850,000	2,226,594	623,406	78%	\$ 101,827	5%
Building Permits & Fees	200,000	398,162	(198,162)	199%	160,000	140,038	19,962	88%	\$ 288,124	184%
Other Permits and Fees	210,000	134,215	75,785	64%	210,000	132,188	77,812	63%	\$ 2,027	2%
FEMA Reimbursement	-	-	-	0%	68,000	-	68,000	0%	\$ -	#DIV/0!
Meals & Rooms Tax Revenue	774,137	-	774,137	0%	774,137	-	774,137	0%	\$ -	-
State Highway Block Grant	304,179	216,639	87,540	71%	304,179	211,978	92,201	70%	\$ 4,661	2%
Other State Grants/Reimbursements	25,000	20,141	17,946	81%	25,000	23,036	1,964	92%	\$ (2,895)	-13%
Income from Departments	1,000,000	679,011	320,989	68%	870,000	599,876	270,124	69%	\$ 79,135	13%
Sale of Town Property	500	132,250	(131,750)	26450%	500	-	500	0%	\$ 132,250	-
Interest Income	500	105,675	(105,175)	21135%	1,000	1,984	(984)	198%	\$ 103,691	5226%
Other Miscellaneous Revenues	26,500	25,907	593	98%	23,000	20,400	2,600	89%	\$ 5,507	27%
Revenue Transfers In/Out	330,161	33,967	296,194	10%	602,989	150,000	452,989	25%	\$ (116,033)	100%
Total General Fund Revenues	\$ 19,068,357	\$ 10,818,301	\$ 8,261,143	57%	\$ 18,847,144	\$ 11,324,896	\$ 7,264,248	61%	\$ (608,599)	-4%
Total Appropriations	539,390	539,390	-	-	347,813	347,813	-	-	\$ 191,577	55%
Gross Revenues & Appropriations	\$ 19,605,747	\$ 11,357,691	\$ 8,261,143	58%	\$ 18,994,957	\$ 11,672,709	\$ 7,254,248	61%	\$ (315,018)	-3%

Town of Exeter
General Fund Expenses (unaudited)
As of September 30, 2019 and 2018

DEPARTMENT	Current Year 2019 Budget vs Actual				Prior Year 2018 Budget vs Actual				Comparison of Actuals	
	2019 Budget	Actual Expenses		% Spent	2018 Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses		% Spent	2019 vs 2018 \$ Variance	2019 vs 2018 % Variance
		09/30/19	\$ Variance			09/30/18	\$ Variance			
Total General Government	\$ 888,729	\$ 683,583	\$ 225,146	75%	\$ 915,762	\$ 689,935	\$ 225,827	75%	\$ (26,352)	-4%
Total Finance	887,925	635,317	252,608	72%	839,945	601,948	237,997	72%	\$ 33,369	6%
Total Planning & Building	545,581	396,342	148,239	73%	527,172	357,235	169,937	68%	\$ 39,107	11%
Total Economic Development	144,879	101,938	42,941	70%	139,358	98,812	40,546	71%	\$ 3,126	3%
Total Police	3,786,754	2,481,982	1,304,792	65%	3,700,556	2,543,889	1,156,687	69%	\$ (81,927)	-3.2%
Total Fire	3,901,492	2,642,258	1,259,234	68%	3,852,527	2,595,739	1,256,788	67%	\$ 46,519	2%
Total Public Works	5,377,593	3,775,370	1,602,223	70%	5,099,632	3,251,486	1,848,136	64%	\$ 523,874	16%
Total Welfare	68,171	47,897	20,274	70%	37,387	50,848	(13,461)	136%	\$ (2,951)	-6%
Total Human Services	106,625	62,594	44,031	59%	107,500	80,625	26,875	75%	\$ (18,031)	100%
Total Parks & Recreation	538,375	402,847	135,528	75%	526,256	388,242	138,014	74%	\$ (3,428)	-1%
Total Other Culture/Recreation	32,002	24,131	7,871	75%	38,001	31,630	6,371	83%	\$ (7,499)	-24%
Total Library	1,024,921	758,109	266,812	74%	1,014,633	725,768	288,865	72%	\$ 32,341	4%
Total Debt Service & Capital	1,571,943	1,382,923	209,020	87%	1,524,250	1,383,298	140,952	91%	\$ (20,375)	-1%
Payroll Benefits & Taxes	262,306	288,976	(6,670)	103%	323,665	367,036	(43,372)	113%	\$ (98,060)	-27%
Total General Fund Expenses	\$ 19,117,296	\$ 13,604,247	\$ 5,513,049	71%	\$ 18,646,644	\$ 13,166,501	\$ 5,480,142	71%	\$ 437,746	3%
Appropriation for Warrant Articles	\$ 488,451	\$ 233,896	\$ 254,555	48%	\$ 347,813	\$ 201,515	\$ 146,298	58%	\$ (19,921)	-10%
Total Expenditures	\$ 19,605,747	\$ 13,838,143	\$ 5,767,604	71%	\$ 18,994,457	\$ 13,368,016	\$ 5,626,440	70%	\$ 417,825	3%
Net Income/ (Deficit)	\$ -	\$ (2,480,453)	\$ 2,483,539	13%	\$ 500	\$ (1,695,307)	\$ 1,627,806	9%	\$ (732,843)	43%

Town of Exeter

Water Fund Revenues & Expenses (unaudited)

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As of September 30, 2019 and 2018

Description	Current Year				Prior Year				Comparison of Actuals	
	2019 Budget	Actual Revenue	\$ Variance	% Collected	2018 Budget	Actual Revenue	\$ Variance	% Collected	2019 vs 2018 \$ Variance	2019 vs 2018 % Variance
		09/30/2019				09/30/2018				
Water Fund Revenues										
Water Enterprise Revenues	\$ 3,282,057	\$ 2,709,530	\$ 572,527	83%	\$ 3,361,387	\$ 2,753,415	\$ 607,972	82%	\$ (43,885)	-2%
Gross Water Revenues	\$ 3,282,057	\$ 2,709,530	\$ 572,527	83%	\$ 3,361,387	\$ 2,753,415	\$ 607,972	82%	\$ (43,885)	-2%
Water Fund Expenditures										
DEPARTMENT	2019 Budget	Actual Expenses 09/30/19	\$ Variance	% Spent	2018 Budget	Actual Expenses 09/30/18	\$ Variance	% Spent	2019 vs 2018 \$ Variance	2019 vs 2018 % Variance
Water Administration	\$ 367,994	\$ 256,040	\$ 111,954	70%	\$ 391,477	\$ 267,453	\$ 124,024	68%	\$ (11,413)	-4%
Water Billing	\$ 165,173	\$ 124,879	\$ 40,294	76%	\$ 157,046	\$ 119,277	\$ 37,769	76%	\$ 5,602	5%
Water Distribution	\$ 805,979	\$ 566,344	\$ 239,635	70%	\$ 832,394	\$ 549,447	\$ 282,947	66%	\$ 16,897	3%
Water Treatment	\$ 743,226	\$ 509,741	\$ 233,485	69%	\$ 798,957	\$ 502,533	\$ 296,424	63%	\$ 7,208	1%
Water Fund Debt Service	\$ 1,062,113	\$ 1,150,157	\$ (88,044)	108%	\$ 1,119,250	\$ 807,618	\$ 311,632	72%	\$ 342,539	42%
Water Fund Capital Outlay	\$ 137,572	\$ 34,131	\$ 103,441	25%	\$ 62,263	\$ 13,537	\$ 48,726	22%	\$ 20,594	152%
Water Fund Expenses	\$ 3,282,057	\$ 2,641,292	\$ 640,765	80%	\$ 3,361,387	\$ 2,259,865	\$ 1,101,522	67%	\$ 381,427	17%
Net Income/ (Deficit)	\$ -	\$ 68,238	\$ (68,238)	-100%	\$ -	\$ 493,550	\$ (493,550)	100%	\$ (425,312)	86%

Town of Exeter										
Sewer Fund Revenues & Expenses (unaudited)										DRAFT
As of September 30, 2019 and 2018										
Description	Current Year				Prior Year				Comparison of Actuals	
	2019 Budget	Actual Revenue 09/30/2019	\$ Variance	% Collected	2018 Budget	Actual Revenue 09/30/2018	\$ Variance	% Collected	2019 vs 2018 \$ Variance	2019 vs 2018 % Variance
Sewer Fund Revenues										
State Grant Revenue	\$ 25,520	\$ -	\$ 25,520	0%	\$ 25,694	\$ 8,906	\$ 16,788	35%	(8,906)	0%
Sewer Enterprise Revenues	\$ 2,876,890	\$ 2,747,793	\$ 129,097	96%	\$ 2,567,965	\$ 2,686,367	\$ (118,402)	105%	70,332	3%
Appropriations for Warrant Articles					30,000	30,000	-	-	(30,000)	100%
Sewer Fund Revenues & Appropriations	\$ 2,876,890	\$ 2,747,793	\$ 129,097	96%	\$ 2,597,965	\$ 2,716,367	\$ (118,402)	105%	\$ 40,332	1%
Sewer Fund Expenditures										
DEPARTMENT	2019 Budget	Actual Expenses 09/30/19	\$ Variance	% Spent	2018 Budget	Actual Expenses 09/30/18	\$ Variance	% Spent	2019 vs 2018 \$ Variance	2019 vs 2018 % Variance
Sewer Administration Expense	390,983	283,016	107,967	72%	394,463	236,454	158,009	60%	\$ 46,562	20%
Sewer Billing Expense	162,398	121,796	40,602	75%	157,071	116,837	40,234	74%	\$ 4,959	4%
Sewer Collection Expense	665,456	388,980	276,476	58%	653,522	371,679	281,843	57%	\$ 17,301	4.7%
Sewer Treatment Expense	924,358	591,341	333,017	64%	556,724	380,272	176,452	68%	\$ 211,069	55.5%
Sewer Fund Debt Service Expense	576,124	576,144	(20)	100%	669,233	669,233	-	100%	\$ (93,089)	-14%
Sewer Fund Capital Outlay Expense	127,571	34,158	93,413	27%	136,952	12,065	124,887	9%	\$ 22,093	183%
Total Sewer Fund Expenses	2,846,890	1,995,435	851,455	70%	2,567,965	1,786,540	781,425	70%	\$ 208,895	12%
Sewer Fund Warrant Articles	30,000		30,000		30,000		30,000	0%	\$ -	-100%
Total Sewer Expenses and Warrant Articles	\$ 2,876,890	\$ 1,995,435	\$ 881,455	69%	\$ 2,597,965	\$ 1,786,540	\$ 811,425	69%	\$ 208,895	12%
Net Income/(Deficit)	\$ -	\$ 752,358	\$ (752,358)	100%	\$ -	\$ 929,827	\$ (929,827)	100%	\$ (168,563)	-18%

Ambulance Revolving Fund - Revenues & Expenses (unaudited)
As of September 30, 2019 and 2018

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	Current Year				Prior Year				Comparison of Actuals	
	2019 Budget	Actual	\$ Variance	%	2018 Budget	Actual	\$ Variance	%Variance	\$ Variance	%Variance
		09/30/19		Variance		09/30/18		Variance		
EMS- Ambulance Transport Revenue	\$ 556,000	\$ 421,891	\$ (134,109)	76%	\$ 528,501	\$ 418,604	\$ (109,897)	79%	\$ 3,287	1%
Wages, Taxes & Benefits	\$ 186,188	\$ 132,430	\$ 53,758	71%	\$ 155,824	\$ 108,408	\$ 47,416	70%	\$ 24,022	22%
General Expenses	\$ 167,904	\$ 174,633	\$ (6,729)	104%	\$ 171,703	\$ 124,093	\$ 47,610	72%	\$ 50,540	41%
Total Expenses	\$ 354,092	\$ 307,063	\$ 47,029	87%	\$ 327,527	\$ 232,501	\$ 95,026	71%	\$ 74,562	32%
Net Income/(Deficit)	\$ 201,908	\$ 114,828	\$ (87,080)	57%	\$ 200,974	\$ 186,103	\$ (14,871)	93%	\$ (71,275)	-38%

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CATV Revolving Fund- Revenue & Expenses (unaudited)

As of September 30, 2019 and 2018

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Description	Current Year				Prior Year				Comparison of Actuals	
	2019 Budget	Actual	\$	%	2018 Budget	Actual	\$	%	2019 vs 2018	2019 vs 2018
		09/30/19	Variance	Variance		09/30/18	Variance	Variance	\$	%
Cable Franchise Fees	153,050	75,478	77,572	51%	165,575	76,968	88,607	-	(1,490)	-2%
Tech/AV Service Fees		320	(320)	100%					320	100%
Total CATV Revenue	153,050	75,798	77,252	50%	165,575	76,968	88,607	-	(1,170)	100%
CATV Expenses										
Wages, Taxes & Benefits	\$ 124,689	75,502	49,187	61%	\$ 100,681	\$ 80,946	\$ 19,735	80%	\$ (5,444)	-7%
General Expenses	\$ 64,691	\$ 80,268	(15,577)	124%	\$ 58,326	\$ 68,186	\$ (9,860)	117%	12,082	18%
Total CATV Expenses	\$ 189,380	\$ 155,770	\$ 33,610	82%	\$ 159,007	\$ 149,132	\$ 9,875	94%	6,638	4%
Net Income/(Deficit)	\$ (36,330)	\$ (79,972)	\$ 43,642	220%	\$ 6,568	\$ (72,164)	\$ 98,482	-1099%	\$ (7,808)	11%

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Recreation Revolving Fund Revenues & Expenses(unaudited)

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As of September 30, 2019 and 2018

Description	Current Year				Prior Year Restated				Comparison of Actuals	
	2019 Budget	Actuals as of 09/30/19	\$ Variance	% Variance	2018 Budget	Actuals as of 09/30/18	\$ Variance	% Variance	2019 vs 2018 \$ Variance	2019 vs 2018 % Variance
Total Revenue	\$ 641,002	589,340	\$ (51,662)	92%	\$ 577,206	\$ 500,153	\$ (77,053)	87%	\$ 89,187	18%
Wages, Taxes & Benefits	\$ 241,100	\$ 247,860	\$ (6,760)	103%	\$ 199,900	\$ 244,191	\$ (44,291)	122%	\$ 3,669	2%
General Expenses	\$ 398,350	\$ 393,280	\$ 5,070	99%	\$ 341,700	\$ 410,570	\$ (73,870)	120%	\$ (17,290)	-4%
Total Rec Revolving Expenses	\$ 639,450	\$ 641,140	\$ (1,690)	100%	\$ 541,600	\$ 654,761	\$ (118,161)	121%	\$ (13,621)	-2%
Net Income/(Deficit)	\$ 1,552	\$ (51,800)	\$ (53,352)	-3338%	\$ 35,606	\$ (154,608)	\$ (190,214)	-434%	\$ 102,808	-66%

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Analysis of Property Tax/Liens Receivable
As of 09/30/19 and 09/30/18

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Type	Bill Year	Balance	Balance	\$	%
		Outstanding as of 09/30/19	Outstanding as of 09/30/18		
Lien	2009	\$ 403	\$ 375	\$ 28	7%
Lien	2010	2,335	3,523	(1,188)	(34)%
Lien	2011	7,700	8,833	(1,133)	(13)%
Lien	2012	7,137	8,049	(912)	(11)%
Lien	2013	13,526	42,575	(29,049)	(68)%
Lien	2014	21,657	56,481	(34,824)	(62)%
Lien	2015	30,357	99,951	(69,594)	(70)%
Lien	2016	128,302	186,281	(57,979)	(31)%
Lien	2017	203,073	315,826	(112,753)	(36)%
Lien	2018	350,422	528,698	(178,276)	(34)%
	Subtotal	\$ 764,912	\$ 1,250,592	\$ (485,680)	(39)%
Tax	2019	706,376		706,376	100%
	Subtotal	\$ 706,376	\$ -	\$ 706,376	
	Grand Total	\$ 1,471,288	\$ 1,250,592	\$ 220,696	18%

Property tax liens receivable decreased by \$485K or 39% from the prior year.

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Analysis of Accounts Receivable Aging - Water & Sewer
Sept 30, 2019 vs Sept 30, 2018

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	<u>Current</u>	<u>31-60 Days</u>	<u>61-90 Days</u>	<u>Over 90 Days</u>	<u>Total</u>
As of 09/30/19	\$ 810,155	\$ 21,297	\$ 56,946	\$ 117,509	\$ 1,005,907
Percent Outstanding	81%	2%	6%	12%	100%
As of 09/30/18	\$ 764,796	\$ 27,207	\$ 31,128	\$ 38,911	\$ 862,042
Percent Outstanding	89%	3%	4%	5%	100%
Increase/(Decrease)	\$ 45,359	\$ (5,910)	\$ 25,818	\$ 78,598	\$ 143,865
	6%	0%	0%	202%	17%

Accounts receivable over 90 days have increased by 202% or \$78.5K over the prior year.

Current Year

Breakdown of Water/Sewer Accounts Receivable Outstanding by Year: As of June 30, 2019					
<u>Year</u>	<u>Water</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Percent of Total</u>	
2008		226	226		0%
2009		140	140		0%
2010	(270)	173	(97)		0%
2011		1,047	1,047		0%
2012		206	206		0%
2013		209	209		0%
2014		217	217		0%
2015		231	231		0%
2016		232	232		0%
2017	114	467	581		0%
2018	248	35,562	35,810		4%
*2019	426,476	540,629	967,105		96%
Total	426,568	579,339	1,005,907		100%

** Includes current cycle billing*

Social Media Policy Amendment

**TOWN OF EXETER
MEMORANDUM**

TO: Select Board

FROM: Town Manager

RE: Social Media Policy Amendment Proposal

DATE: November 12th, 2019

The Town's social media policy was adopted in July, 2013 by the Board. Since that time, the use of social media has greatly expanded in all corners of the community. The amendment proposed for the current policy would add a new section 5.9 to cover boards, committees, and commissions that seek to establish a facebook page or other similar social media presence officially sanctioned by the town. This policy amendment would codify the current practice of requiring a staff person to be assigned to administer any board, committee, and commission page. The reason for this is explained by the fact that 1) committee members come and go, and should not be "primary administrators" of an official town committee page; 2) boards committees and commissions are subject to the meeting requirements of 91-A, and therefore postings need to be managed in a way so as not to inadvertently violate the law; 3) the handling of administering a page involves the evaluation of content and postings for potential violations of the town's policy and subsequent remedy – this function should be wholly a staff function.

As social media evolves, it will be more and more important to separate citizen initiatives outside the town government from official pages that represent town government. This is a significant distinction, as volunteers who are appointed to town boards and committees exercise their authority through the Select Board in most cases, with the exceptions being elected boards (who are subject to 91-A nonetheless and fall under town official guidelines for insurance purposes).

This amendment will continue to assist us in managing our social media program. While more than one committee has requested a facebook presence, it is important to understand the ramifications of having 30-40 committee driven facebook pages, not to mention the complexity of managing same.

MOTION: Move the Select Board approve the amendment to the town's social media policy, effective November 12th, 2019.

Social Media Policy

Town of Exeter	Policy Number: TBD	Adopted by: Exeter Select Board
Subject: Social Media Policy	Adoption Date: July 29, 2013 Effective Date: August 5, 2013 Revision Date: November 12 th , 2019	Supersedes: None

1.0 Purpose of the Policy:

The purpose of this policy is to set policy guidelines related to Town of Exeter social media sites and applications.

2.0 Departments Affected: All Town Departments, Boards and Committees, except the Exeter Public Library.

3.0 Definitions: None.

4.0 Policy:

It is the policy of the Town of Exeter to ensure that certain standards are set with respect to social media to serve all its constituents in a positive, productive manner. The Town supports the use of social media as a method to communicate information to its citizens regarding its Town government.

5.0 Procedures:

- 5.1 The primary mission of the Town's social media efforts will be focused on providing information on Town services and programs to the general public. Citizens are encouraged to use social media avenues to communicate with Town Departments on service related issues.
- 5.2 Town Departments will assign appropriate personnel to manage individual department social media sites. Service or information requests generated through social media will be referred to the appropriate department for a response.
- 5.3 Comments. Comments containing any of the following inappropriate forms of content shall not be permitted on Town of Exeter social media sites and are subject to removal by the Town Manager or his/her designees.
 - a. Comments not related to the original topic, including random or unintelligible comments.
 - b. Profane, obscene, or pornographic content and/or language;

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- c. Content that promotes, fosters or perpetuates discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color, age, religion, gender, or national origin;
- d. Defamatory or personal attacks;
- e. Threats to any person or organization.
- f. Comments in support of, or in opposition to, any political campaigns or ballot measures;
- g. Conduct in violation of any federal, state or local law;
- i. Encouragement of illegal activity;
- j. Information that may tend to compromise the safety and security of public systems; or
- k. Content that violates a legal ownership interest, such as a copyright, of any party;
- l. Redundant or repetitive comments, with the same or similar content posted multiple times under various posts.

- 5.4 A comment stating an opinion, posted by a member of the public on any Town of Exeter social media site, is the opinion of the commentator or poster only, and publication of a comment does not imply endorsement of, or agreement by, the Town of Exeter, nor do such comments necessarily reflect the opinions or policies of the Town of Exeter.
- 5.5 The Town of Exeter reserves the right to deny access to Town of Exeter social media sites for any individual who violates the Town of Exeter's Social Media Policy at any time and without prior notice.
- 5.6 Town of Exeter Department Managers shall monitor their social media sites periodically during normal business hours for comments requesting responses from the Town and for comments in violation of this policy.
- 5.7 Town of Exeter Department Heads, employees and officials may post content on their respective department pages in their official capacity, if authorized to do so by their Department Head. Comments made by individual employees from their personal accounts are personal expressions and not Town representations.
- 5.8 Multiple member Boards, Committees, and Commissions should be sensitive to the use of social media in such a way so as not to inadvertently violate the spirit and intent of RSA 91-A, the State's Right to Know Law, particularly as it pertains to public meetings.
- 5.9 In order to maintain consistency and proper identification with the town, any board, committee and commission page of any officially established town board shall be assigned to a staff person to administer. The establishment of any board, commission or committee facebook page or any similar page shall have a staff member assigned and the approval of the Select Board. Any board, committee, or commission page established**

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that does not meet this criteria will not be considered affiliated with the town and may not use the town seal. Records of official social media pages of boards, committees, and commissions shall be kept on file with the Town Clerk.

5.10 All comments posted to any Town of Exeter social media sites are bound by the respective statements of rights and responsibilities associated with those sites and the Town of Exeter reserves the right to report any violation of these statements to the appropriate social media site with the intent of the site taking appropriate and reasonable responsive action. This provision includes Twitter and similar services utilized by the Town.

5.11 This policy shall be administered through the Town Manager's Office. Specific questions regarding this policy may be directed to the Town's Information Technology Department through the Technology Coordinator, or to the Town Manager's Office.

6.0 Severability:

To the extent that any provisions of this policy conflict with State law, then State law shall prevail.

Policy adoption date: August 5th, 2013
Revised amended: November 12th, 2019

Kathy Corson, Chair

Molly Cowan, Vice Chair

Niko Papakonstantis, Clerk

Anne L. Surman

Julie D. Gilman

Seacoast Farms Products MOU

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Memorandum of Understanding

By and Between

The Town of Exeter, NH

And

Seacoast Farms Compost Products, Inc.

DRAFT October 29, 2019

Terms for Composting Site Operations at Cross Road Transfer Station and Pit site

Seacoast Farms Compost Products, Inc. (“*Seacoast Compost*”) has been a leading organic compost producer in New Hampshire for over 20 years and proposes to relocate their compost management team to the town transfer station and materials pit site on Cross Road (“*Site*”).

As such, *Seacoast Compost* will provide the following services at no cost to the Town.

1. We will process leaves brought in by Exeter residents, as is currently done, including windrowing material, turn and manage compost piles in accordance with Best Management Practices (BMPs), provide a screened finished product, and distribute finished compost and topsoil products off the Site as opposed to the current pick-up-only approach. *Seacoast Compost* would seek to provide an expanded regional community environmental management presence on the seacoast for the Town.
2. The town will grant a one year, revocable license to allow us to relocate a shed-office, equipment, support tools and fuel storage facilities, including 1-2 front end loaders and a trommel screen to the Site to provide a full time compost materials management and community presence as opposed to the current part time status. Such a use requires both relief from the zoning board of adjustment and site plan approval from the planning board. If, after one year, the parties wish to continue the license, *Seacoast Compost* understands that it will be required to apply for and receive those approvals to continue operations.
3. We will share land usage in the former Simpson Pit area to the south of the closed landfill section and to the west of the access road with the Town’s Department of Public Works. To this end, we will work within current materials storage requirements by DPW.
4. We will provide a daily, weather permitting, in-season (generally April 1 to October 31) presence at the Site from at least 8:00 am to 3:00 pm, Monday to Friday and as required on Saturday on a mutually agreeable basis with DPW to provide an expanded leaf drop off and soils pick up service to town residents. We will provide an on-call off season (generally November 1 to March 31) presence via social media or other communication networks such as *Seacoast Compost*’s website, Facebook page, or local cell phone number.

5. We would provide and load a pick-up truck sized quantity, approximately one yard, of compost or topsoil for any Exeter resident with an Exeter dump sticker free of charge on an annual basis. Any additional materials to Exeter residents will be made available at wholesale cost. We will also provide screened compost at the Transfer Station bin for compost shoveling access, as is currently done.
6. Work with the Town to provide for dust control.
7. We understand that as part of the license to be granted by the town, we will be required to pay the real estate taxes which would have been assessed on this portion of the property which we occupy, and on any structures or improvements which we locate there, pursuant to RSA 72:23. Failure of Seacoast Compost to pay the duly assessed personal and real estate taxes when due shall be cause to terminate the license.
8. We will obtain insurance, in an amount and type acceptable to the town's pooled risk carrier, naming the Town of Exeter as an additional insured.

In exchange for the expanded composting services and full time on-site presence at the Site, the Town would provide the following:

1. Grant a one year, revocable license and provide a mutually agreed upon location of *Seacoast Compost's* 10' x 16' office shed and electricity (100 amp, 120/208V) for lights and limited power tools for use in maintaining an on-site office presence and associated equipment as described. A direct connection into the office circuit breaker panel and additional exterior power outlets are requested.
2. In order for *Seacoast Compost* to provide a regional community environmental management presence on the seacoast for the Town, acceptance of organic materials from commercial landscapers and nearby towns is allowed. The volume of such acceptance will be within the boundaries of the agreed upon shared land and standard composting management practices.
3. Provide an alternative, secure, entrance to the compost site not through the Transfer Station for access by finished product delivery and pick up vehicles, including residents, triaxles dump trucks and dump trailers, during Transfer Station off hours.

Beginning on the date noted above, the Town and *Seacoast Compost* agree to a shared Cross Road Pit operation and compost management approach at the above terms for a period continuing through December 31, 2024 (approximately five years), with mutually agreeable extensions to be discussed.

SEACOAST FARMS COMPOST PRODUCTS, INC.
Also d/b/a SEACOAST SOILS, LLC

TOWN OF EXETER
by its authorized representative,

W. Robert Kelly, P.E.
President
Seacoast Farms Compost Products, Inc.

Russell Dean
Town Manager
Town of Exeter, NH

Tax Abatements, Veterans Credits & Exemptions

List for Select Board meeting November 12, 2019

Abatements

Map/Lot/Unit	Location	Amount	Year
103/6/3	3 Dow St	1904.17	2010
103/6/3	3 Dow St	1825.03	2011
103/6/3	3 Dow St	1715.92	2012
103/6/3	3 Dow St	1603.09	2013
103/6/3	3 Dow St	1462.10	2014
103/6/3	3 Dow St	952.53	2015
103/6/3	3 Dow St	860.80	2016
103/6/3	3 Dow St	767.94	2017
103/6/3	3 Dow St	439.63	2018
103/6/3	3 Dow St	446.78	2019

Permits And Approvals

Article 17 – Hook Lift Truck for Water-Sewer Department Lease/Purchase

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to enter into a 5-year lease/purchase agreement for \$174,959 for the purpose of lease/purchasing a hook lift style dump truck for the Exeter Water/Sewer Department to replace a 2008 truck to be transferred to the Highway Department, and to raise and appropriate the sum of forty-one thousand seven hundred eighty dollars (\$41,780), which represents the first of 5 annual payments for that purpose. This lease/purchase will contain an escape (non-appropriation) clause. This sum to come from water and sewer fees.

(Majority vote required) Recommended by the Select Board 5-0.

Passed at Town Ballot March 12th, 2019, 1511-717.

Five Year 2020 International Hook Lift Style Dump Truck Lease Comparison with Payments in Advance

Lessor	Years	Amount Financed	Interest Rate	Annual Lease Payment	Total Interest Expense
*Tax Exempt Leasing	5	\$ 145,490	2.68%	\$ 30,657	\$ 7,796
Community Leasing Partners	5	\$ 145,490	3.18%	\$ 30,950	\$ 9,260
National Cooperative Leasing	5	\$ 145,490	4.95%	\$ 31,978	\$ 14,401

Vehicle/Equipment: 2020 Liberty International Hook Lift Style Dump Truck

Amounts per signed contract:

Original Price	\$ 165,490
Trade In Allowance	\$ (20,000)
Total Financed Cost	<u>\$ 145,490</u>

Notes:


All of the above lessors agree to offer lease with a non-appropriation clause.

*Tax Exempt Leasing has provided the lowest interest rate and most savings for the plow truck.

Advanced payment and annual lease payments for the above lease are to be paid from the General Fund.

**TOWN OF EXETER
MEMORANDUM**

TO: Select Board

FROM: Town Manager 

RE: Wastewater Facility Payment and Reserves Request from Sewer Fund

DATE: November 12th, 2019

The Budget Recommendations Committee reviewed the water/sewer budgets for FY20 on Thursday night, November 7th. As part of that presentation, we recommended a new funding schedule on the Wastewater Treatment Facility and Main Pump Station project. As part of that presentation, we recommended the town make a payment effective 12/1/19 on the project as attached. If this is done, the town will be able to receive 20% state aid grant funding for that payment. The gross payment would be \$301,030.26, with \$60,197 forgiven as state aid grant funds. We also recommended placing the initial debt service payment for the facility/main pump station project in the FY20 budget, with a payment due December 1st, 2020. Again, this would be done to ensure the town would be able to access the full available amount of state aid grant funding of \$861,433 in the state's FY21 budget cycle (which is our FY20).

MOTION: Move the Select Board approve the payment of \$301,030.26 from sewer reserves for the purpose of the first payment on the wastewater facility project, to be offset by \$60,197 in state aid grant funds.

NHDES
Clean Water State Revolving Fund
Estimated Loan Repayment Schedule^{1,2,3}

Ref #	Due Date	Beginning Balance	Principal Payment	Principal Forgiven	Interest, Admin Fee	Total Payment	Ending Balance
1	12/1/2019	\$4,355,396.83	\$206,881.35	\$217,769.84	\$94,148.91	\$301,030.26	\$3,930,745.64
2	12/1/2020	\$53,155,348.81	\$2,666,532.56	\$2,491,230.16	\$1,640,630.59	\$4,307,163.15	\$47,997,586.09
3	12/1/2021	\$47,997,586.09	\$2,666,532.56	\$0.00	\$959,951.73	\$3,626,484.29	\$45,331,053.53
4	12/1/2022	\$45,331,053.53	\$2,666,532.56	\$0.00	\$906,621.07	\$3,573,153.63	\$42,664,520.97
5	12/1/2023	\$42,664,520.97	\$2,666,532.56	\$0.00	\$853,290.42	\$3,519,822.98	\$39,997,988.41
6	12/1/2024	\$39,997,988.41	\$2,666,532.56	\$0.00	\$799,959.76	\$3,466,492.32	\$37,331,455.85
7	12/1/2025	\$37,331,455.85	\$2,666,532.56	\$0.00	\$746,629.12	\$3,413,161.68	\$34,664,923.29
8	12/1/2026	\$34,664,923.29	\$2,666,532.56	\$0.00	\$693,298.47	\$3,359,831.03	\$31,998,390.73
9	12/1/2027	\$31,998,390.73	\$2,666,532.56	\$0.00	\$639,967.81	\$3,306,500.37	\$29,331,858.17
10	12/1/2028	\$29,331,858.17	\$2,666,532.56	\$0.00	\$586,637.17	\$3,253,169.73	\$26,665,325.61
11	12/1/2029	\$26,665,325.61	\$2,666,532.56	\$0.00	\$533,306.51	\$3,199,839.07	\$23,998,793.05
12	12/1/2030	\$23,998,793.05	\$2,666,532.56	\$0.00	\$479,975.86	\$3,146,508.42	\$21,332,260.49
13	12/1/2031	\$21,332,260.49	\$2,666,532.56	\$0.00	\$426,645.21	\$3,093,177.77	\$18,665,727.93
14	12/1/2032	\$18,665,727.93	\$2,666,532.56	\$0.00	\$373,314.56	\$3,039,847.12	\$15,999,195.37
15	12/1/2033	\$15,999,195.37	\$2,666,532.56	\$0.00	\$319,983.91	\$2,986,516.47	\$13,332,662.81
16	12/1/2034	\$13,332,662.81	\$2,666,532.56	\$0.00	\$266,653.25	\$2,933,185.81	\$10,666,130.25
17	12/1/2035	\$10,666,130.25	\$2,666,532.56	\$0.00	\$213,322.61	\$2,879,855.17	\$7,999,597.69
18	12/1/2036	\$7,999,597.69	\$2,666,532.56	\$0.00	\$159,991.95	\$2,826,524.51	\$5,333,065.13
19	12/1/2037	\$5,333,065.13	\$2,666,532.56	\$0.00	\$106,661.30	\$2,773,193.86	\$2,666,532.57
20	12/1/2038	\$2,666,532.57	\$2,666,532.57	\$0.00	\$53,330.65	\$2,719,863.22	\$0.00
			\$50,871,000.00	\$2,709,000.00	\$10,854,320.86	\$61,725,320.86	

1. Estimated loan repayment schedule is based on projected disbursements through April 2020.
2. Principal forgiveness includes 5% estimated project disbursements (\$2,679,000); a completed wastewater asset management program is required to receive an additional \$30,000.

Town of Exeter

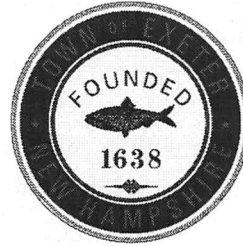
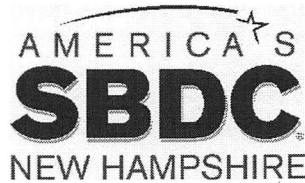
STATE AID GRANT
PROJECT NAME

Draft State Aid Grant Amortization Schedule

Fiscal Year	Principal	Interest	Total
2020	\$41,367.00	\$18,830.00	\$60,197.00
2021	\$533,307.00	\$328,126.00	\$861,433.00
2022	\$533,307.00	\$191,990.00	\$725,297.00
2023	\$533,307.00	\$181,324.00	\$714,631.00
2024	\$533,307.00	\$170,658.00	\$703,965.00
2025	\$533,307.00	\$159,992.00	\$693,299.00
2026	\$533,307.00	\$149,326.00	\$682,633.00
2027	\$533,307.00	\$138,660.00	\$671,967.00
2028	\$533,307.00	\$127,994.00	\$661,301.00
2029	\$533,307.00	\$117,327.00	\$650,634.00
2030	\$533,307.00	\$106,661.00	\$639,968.00
2031	\$533,307.00	\$95,995.00	\$629,302.00
2032	\$533,307.00	\$85,329.00	\$618,636.00
2033	\$533,307.00	\$74,663.00	\$607,970.00
2034	\$533,307.00	\$63,997.00	\$597,304.00
2035	\$533,307.00	\$53,331.00	\$586,638.00
2036	\$533,307.00	\$42,665.00	\$575,972.00
2037	\$533,307.00	\$31,998.00	\$565,305.00
2038	\$533,307.00	\$21,332.00	\$554,639.00
2039	\$533,307.00	\$10,666.00	\$543,973.00
Total	<u>\$10,174,200.00</u>	<u>\$2,170,864.00</u>	<u>\$12,345,064.00</u>

Payment Due - December

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
Between the New Hampshire Small Business Development Center (SBDC), and
The Town of Exeter Economic Development Department



The memorandum serves as an agreement that sets forth the terms and conditions under which the Town of Exeter, Economic Development Department, and the New Hampshire Small Business Development Center (SBDC), a cooperative venture of the U.S. Small Business Administration, the University of New Hampshire, and the State of NH and the private sector, will cooperate and operate with activities/services within the greater Exeter area.

The intent of this MOU is to provide space for an SBDC Business advisor to offer advising office hours at the **Town of Exeter, Economic Development Department**, which will take place every **1st Thursday of the month from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Economic Development office located at 10 Front St., Exeter NH 03833**. In the event of a holiday or closing of the office due to a weather emergency, there will be no SBDC office hours on those days.

The goal in offering office hours across the state is for SBDC to further support local chambers, economic development partners and area businesses throughout the state. By going directly into NH communities, the NH SBDC hopes to expand our reach and connect with more New Hampshire businesses and communities that need our support to create and sustain jobs, start new businesses, and grow and expand existing businesses.

The MOU will be signed prior to office hours commencing and each year thereafter to ensure the partnership agreement is meeting both parties' needs and expectations.

Each party agrees to provide the following:

NH SBDC agrees to:

- Provide office hours for confidential advising to local small businesses
- Provide the host/partner an SBDC media kit (SBDC blurb, social media handles, handout, impact report, local client stories, staff profile, SBDC logo, advisor headshots)
- Provide a stand for SBDC materials (handout, impact report, business cards) to be placed in the host office
- Announce this partnership in an upcoming quarterly newsletter
- Promote office hours via social media and tag partner in posts

- Obtain insurance, in an amount and type acceptable to the town's pooled risk carrier, naming the Town of Exeter as an additional insured.

Town of Exeter, Economic Development Department agrees to provide:

- Private office space or small conference room for advisor to meet confidentially with small business clients
- Promotion of SBDC's services/office hours' date/times via newsletter, social media and tag SBDC
- A consistent monthly schedule with set hours
- Space for a stand holding SBDC materials (handout, impact report, business cards) in the host office

Term

There is no automatic extension or renewal of this agreement. This agreement is for one year from the date of execution.

Termination

This agreement may be terminated at any time by providing thirty days written notice if:

- Town of Exeter, Economic Development Department determines that there is a paramount need for the space provided to the SBDC, or;
- The NH SBDC determines the demand from area small businesses no longer necessitates the need for use of the Town of Exeter, Economic Development Department's office space.
- If either party determines that the agreement is not being met by the other party an immediate notice will be given by email to attempt to correct the issue. If problems remain unresolved, then a 15-day notice of termination will be given at the discretion of either party.

Signed by:

Town of Exeter, Economic Development Department

By: _____
Darren Winham, Economic Development Director

Date: _____

NH Small Business Development Center

By: _____
Liz Gray, State Director

Date: _____

Rules for Use of Swasey Parkway Exeter, New Hampshire

The purpose of the guidelines is to assure the safety and pleasure of the recreational users of the Parkway and the preservation of the grounds and structures. The Parkway is open to the public, citizens, and non-citizens of the Town of Exeter. The green space and walkway are the responsibility of the Trustees of Swasey Parkway. The public roadway is the responsibility of the Select Board of the Town of Exeter. We are all its caretakers.

- Open hours are from dawn to dusk; year-round.
- Abuse, destruction or defacing of property within the Parkway is strictly forbidden.
- Swasey Parkway is a carry-in, carry-out area. Littering is prohibited.
- Signs are prohibited.
- The distribution of posters and handbills is prohibited.
- Dogs and other pets are prohibited.
- The use of tent stakes is not permitted.
- The use of bicycles, skateboards and other such vehicles is limited to the street only.
- Nothing is to be attached to the trees or shrubs; either permanently or temporarily.
- There can be no removal of trees or shrubs or any part of these except with the permission of the Trustees.
- Design, construction and planting decisions are made by consultation with the Trustees.
- The Pavilion use along with any planned activity in the parkway must have approval by the Parks and Recreation Department by permit.
- No individual or group may charge for the use, or fenced in areas, of Swasey Parkway except for events in which state law requires containment, such as for events that sell alcoholic beverages. In addition, permits for such events must be issued by the Town of Exeter. Fines for nonadherence to these rules are administered according to Town ordinances.

The Trustees of Swasey Parkway are grateful to the many who take a proprietary interest in preserving and maintaining Swasey Parkway. We all owe it to future generations to care for this special place.

Category	# of Vendors	Length of Event	Resident vs. Non Resident	Number of People Attending	Fees
Non-Profit		One- Day Event	Resident Organization	Up To 50 People	\$75
Non-Profit		One- Day Event	Resident Organization	More than 50	\$150
Non-Profit		One - Day Event	Non- Resident Organization	Up to 50 people	\$150
Non-Profit		One - Day Event	Non- Resident Organization	More than50	\$300
For Profit	Single//Multiple Vendor(s)	One-Day Event	N/A	More than 50	\$250
	Single Vendor	Seasonal	N/A	More than 50	\$1,000
	Multiple Vendors	Seasonal	N/A	More than 50	\$1,200

Correspondence

NOV 06 2019

Received

October 28, 2019

Board of Selectmen
Town of Exeter
10 Front Street
Exeter, NH 03833

Dear Chairman and Members of the Board:

As we are all aware, the Internet is an essential tool in our everyday lives. It is the way we connect to a world of knowledge and opportunities, including access to education, healthcare, employment, news, and information. Therefore, we wanted to share the latest news about **Internet EssentialsSM from Comcast**. We recently announced a significant **expansion to eligibility for the program to include all qualified low-income households in our service area**. The expansion is the most significant change in the program's eight-year history. We estimate that more than three million additional low-income households, including people with disabilities, are now eligible to receive affordable high-speed Internet service.

Internet Essentials provides high-speed Internet service for \$9.95 a month plus tax, the option to purchase a desktop or laptop computer for \$149.99, and access free digital literacy training in print, online, and in person. Individuals may qualify* if they have at least one child who is eligible for the National School Lunch Program, or if they receive public assistance through such programs as housing assistance, Medicaid, SNAP, SSI, and others. Those wishing to apply can call 1-855-8-INTERNET (1-855-846-8376) or visit InternetEssentials.com.

Since the launch in 2011, Internet Essentials has connected more than 8 million low-income Americans. We have worked hard over the past 8 years spreading the word with school districts, community based organizations, cities, church groups, and many others, but we know we can do more to close the digital divide and we couldn't do it without our amazing partners. Together we can bring the Internet home to even more individuals across the county and help transform even more lives.

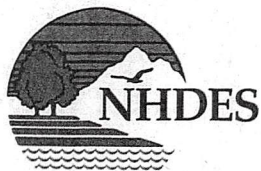
If you have additional questions or are interested in ordering program materials (completely free of charge) to share with your constituents, please contact us directly at ned_newenglandcommunitypartners@cable.comcast.com or visit our website at InternetEssentials.com/Partner where complimentary flyers, brochures, and postcards are available in 16 languages.

Sincerely,



Timothy Kelly
Vice President, Government & Regulatory Affairs

* Restrictions apply. Visit InternetEssentials.com for restrictions and complete details.



The State of New Hampshire
Department of Environmental Services



Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

Town Manager's Office

**NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF PERMIT APPLICATION
LAND RESOURCES MANAGEMENT
SHORELAND PROGRAM**

NOV 01 2019

Received

October 29, 2019

EXETER MUNICIPAL CLERK/CON COM
10 FRONT ST
EXETER NH 03833

Re: Shoreland Permit Application (RSA 483-B); NHDES File Number: 2019-03411
Subject Property: 4 Chestnut St, Exeter, Tax Map #72, Lot #42

Library

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to RSA 541-A:39, please be advised that the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) accepted an application on **October 29, 2019** for the permit program and subject property referenced above.

The application requests a permit for impacts to jurisdictional shoreland at the subject property. A detailed technical review of the application package will be completed within the applicable timeframe: 30 days of receipt of an application for a permit or 30 days of receipt of an application for a permit that will require a waiver of the minimum standards of RSA 483-B:9.

Pursuant to RSA 483-B:5-b, IV-a and Env-Wq 1406.13(a), the applicant is required to have notified the municipality by certified mail and provided a completed and signed copy of the permit application. If you have not received the required information, please contact the applicant or their agent at the following address:

NORTHPOINT ENGINEERING LLC
119 STORRS ST STE 201
CONCORD NH 03301

Please provide a copy of this notice to all interested departments, boards and commissions. Also note that under current state law and regulations, NHDES is not authorized to consider local zoning and regulatory issues pertaining to a project; these must be addressed at the local level.

If you have any questions, please contact the NHDES Shoreland Program at (603) 271-2147.

Sincerely,

Shoreland Program
Land Resources Management

cc: Russ Dean, Town of Exeter ✓
Kevin M. Leonard, Northpoint Engineering, LLC
Exeter-Squamscott River LAC
NHDES Rivers Program



The State of New Hampshire
Department of Environmental Services

Robert R. Scott, Commissioner



**NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF PERMIT APPLICATION
LAND RESOURCES MANAGEMENT
ALTERATION OF TERRAIN BUREAU**

NOV 04 2019

Received

October 30, 2019

EXETER MUNICIPAL CLERK
10 FRONT ST
EXETER NH 03579

Re: Alteration of Terrain (AoT) Bureau Permit Application (RSA 485-A:17); NHDES File Number: 191030-199
Project Name: Exeter Recreation Park
Subject Property: Tax Map# 69, Lot# 4

Dear Sir or Madam:

Pursuant to RSA 541-A:39, please be advised that the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) AoT Bureau accepted an application on October 30, 2019 for the permit program and subject property referenced above. The application requests a permit to disturb approximately 698,747 square feet of earth at the subject property.

Pursuant to Env-Wq 1503.05 (f), the applicant is required to provide a copy of the application and plans to the municipality. If you have not received the required information, please contact the agent: **TIGHE & BOND INC C/O BRADLEE MEZQUITA, PE, 177 CORPORATE DRIVE, PORTSMOUTH NH 03801.**

If you wish to comment on the application, please submit your comments by **November 13, 2019**. All comments should reference the NHDES file number, and mailed to the following address: **NHDES ALTERATION OF TERRAIN BUREAU, PO BOX 95, CONCORD NH 03302-0095.**

Please provide a copy of this notice to all interested departments, boards and commissions. Also note that under current state law and regulations, NHDES is not authorized to consider local zoning and regulatory issues pertaining to a project; these must be addressed at the local level.

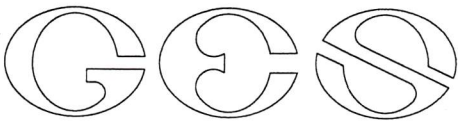
If you have any questions, please contact the NHDES Alteration of Terrain Bureau at (603) 271-3568.

Sincerely,

Alteration of Terrain Bureau
Land Resources Management

cc: Town of Exeter, c/o Russ Dean ✓
Tighe & Bond Inc., c/o Bradlee Mezquita, PE

www.des.nh.gov
29 Hazen Drive • PO Box 95 • Concord, NH 03302-0095
NHDES Main Line: (603) 271-3503 • Subsurface Fax: (603) 271-6683 • Wetlands Fax: (603) 271-6588
TDD Access: Relay NH 1 (800) 735-2964



GOVE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC.

Town Manager's Office

NOV 01 2019

Received

October 30, 2019

Town of Exeter
10 Front Street
Exeter, NH 03833

- King property

Re: Map 47 Lots 6 & 7
Epping Road
Exeter, NH

Dear Abutter:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that Gateway at Exeter, LLC has submitted a Dredge and Fill Application to the NH Department of Environmental Services for a development project located on Epping Road in Exeter, NH, Tax Map 47 Lots 6 & 7. DES requires this notice for work within a wetland area. After filing, a copy of the final Application, including plans, will be made available for your review at the Exeter Town Hall and at the NH Department of Environmental Services Wetlands Bureau, 29 Hazen Drive, in Concord.

If you have any questions that we might be able to answer, please feel free to contact our office.

Sincerely,

Brendan Quigley, CWS
Gove Environmental Services, Inc.