



## **Hyannis Access Study Implementation TASK FORCE**

Cape Cod Commission Office  
November 27, 2012; 1:00 PM

### Meeting Notes

### **Task Force Members Present**

#### CAPE COD STATE REPRESENTATIVE OR LEGISLATIVE AIDE

Sue Rohrbach - District Aide to Senator Dan  
Wolf

#### BARNSTABLE TOWN COUNCIL

Ann Canedy – Precinct 1  
Debra Dagwan - Precinct 9

#### TRANSPORTATION ORGANIZATIONS

Julie Quintero-Schulz – Cape Cod Regional  
Transit Authority  
Bud Breault-Barnstable Municipal Airport,  
Manager  
Rob Miceli – MassBike  
Chris Anzuoni – P&B Street Railway  
Company, General Manager

#### MASSDOT

Pam Haznar - Massachusetts Department of  
Transportation (MassDOT) District 5

#### CAPE COD COMMISSION

John D. Harris – Chair, Cape Cod  
Commission, Minority Representative

#### BUSINESS COMMUNITY

Leo Fein - Cape Cod Mall  
Steve Hubbard – Hubbard Paint & Supply  
Ed Lambert – Commercial Realty Advisors  
(Botsini Prime alternate)

#### BARNSTABLE TOWN STAFF

Roger Parsons - Senior Project Manager  
Jo Anne Miller Buntich - Director of Growth  
Management Department (GMD)  
Mike Trovato – GMD, Economic  
Development Specialist  
Steve Seymour - GMD, Senior Engineer  
Bud Breault - Barnstable Municipal Airport  
and K-Mart Plaza

#### HYANNIS FIRE DEPARTMENT

Deputy Chief Dean Melanson - Hyannis Fire  
Department

#### YARMOUTH TOWN STAFF

George Allaire - Town of Yarmouth DPW  
Director

#### CAPE COD COMMISSION STAFF

Patty Daley - Cape Cod Commission, Deputy  
Director  
Glenn Cannon - Cape Cod Commission,  
Technical Services Director  
Priscilla Leclerc- Cape Cod Commission,  
Senior Transportation Planner  
Lev Malakhoff - Cape Cod Commission,  
Transportation Engineer  
Steven Tupper – Cape Cod Commission,  
Technical Services Planner  
Leslie Richardson – Cape Cod Commission,  
Chief Economic Development Officer  
Nancy Hossfeld – Communications  
Coordinator

## **Other Interested Parties Present**

<i>Name</i>	<i>Representing</i>
Bill Travers	MassDOT District 5
Ed Maroney	<i>The Barnstable Patriot</i>
Jeff Eklund	Commercial Realty Advisors
Ernest Smily	Wendy's

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Glenn Cannon, Director of Technical Services, Cape Cod Commission, opened the meeting at 1 pm by asking each attendee to introduce her/himself. He then presented slides that included the project history, status, and schedule. He reviewed the remaining viable alternatives (all including a median divider on the section of Route 28 from the Airport Rotary to the intersection of Yarmouth Road) as well as others that have been dismissed such as the a five-lane cross section. He also identified serious public safety concerns against the options that include new signalized intersections.

Comments and questions on the alternatives included:

- Roger Parsons (Barnstable) and Rob Miceli (MassBike) inquired about the terminology being used to describe the 4' shoulders in the alternatives as "bike lanes." Since official bike lanes require a minimum of 5' it was decided to refer to these features as "bike accommodating shoulders" instead of bike lanes. Mr. Miceli also noted that a small proportion of the bicycling community would use the shoulders and most would use the multi-use path.
- Ann Canedy (Barnstable Town Council) observed that in the signalized alternative there appears to be fewer lanes for travel to Hyannis versus from Hyannis on Barnstable Road. Mr. Cannon replied that the signalized alternative includes many turning lanes on all the approaches (including Barnstable Road) and fewer departure lanes are required.
- Bud Breault (Barnstable Municipal Airport) expressed concern over the location of new intersections (signals or roundabouts) at the Staples plaza immediately opposite Route 28 from Runway 24.
- Bill Travers (MassDOT) inquired if there was business opposition to the median proposed for Route 28 between the Airport Rotary and Yarmouth Road. Mr. Cannon replied that no opposition has been received.
- Steve Hubbard (Hubbard Paint) expressed concern regarding the signalized options for the rotary – specifically concern for customer access (from the west needing to make U-turns at the intersection) and for emergency vehicle access.
- Dean Melanson (Hyannis Fire Department) shared Mr. Hubbard's concern and noted that the estimated vehicle queues at the signalized options could be problematic for emergency vehicle response.

Mr. Cannon continued the presentation and described the procedure that will be used to evaluate the alternatives. He stated that staff would perform a draft evaluation and

supply results to the Task Force members a week in advance of their next meeting. Further comments received included:

- Anne Canedy (Barnstable Town Council) inquired as to efforts to gain access across the railroad tracks. Mr. Cannon replied that no progress has been made, but may seek to re-approach the state railroad agency (a division of MassDOT).
- George Allaire (Yarmouth) commented on the potential confusion of the concept numbering scheme (remaining concepts ranging in numbers from 3 – 16). Mr. Cannon indicated that a revised naming method is under consideration.
- Roger Parsons (Barnstable) requested reference materials to be available via website links.
- Bill Travers (MassDOT) inquired as to the analyses years being used for the queue analysis. Mr. Cannon stated that the future year may be 2035 but will confirm and provide documentation.
- Ed Lambert (Commercial Realty Advisors) asked if Commission staff have selected a preferred alternative. Mr. Cannon replied in the negative, this is the role of the Task Force. Mr. Lambert also suggested funding alternatives to support the need for property takings such as TDR (Transfer of Development Rights). Mr. Cannon indicated that details of funding the alternatives will be developed following this process.
- Debra Dagwan (Barnstable Town Council) inquired about details regarding the multi-use path. Mr. Cannon clarified that the 10' multi-use path as shown in the alternatives would accommodate two-direction travel, possibly with a solid yellow center line.
- Mike Trovato (Barnstable) asked what effects the various alternatives would have on intersections in downtown Hyannis. Mr. Cannon replied that none of the alternatives would exacerbate conditions but did not have quantification of the most beneficial effects on these intersections.
- Leo Fein (Cape Cod Mall) commented that improvements to Route 28 west of Bearses Way should also be considered. Mr. Cannon agreed that that issue would need to be visited.

Mr. Cannon concluded the meeting by announcing the date of the next Task Force meeting to be January 23, 2013 at 1 p.m.

The meeting concluded at approximately 2:00 pm.

**Attachments:**

- Handout: Task Force Members
- Handout: Evaluation Matrix (blank)
- Handout: Evaluation Key
- Handout: Evaluation Criteria
- Handout: Copy of Presentation Slides