Shared and Slow Streets for Social Distancing

Arlington Select Board Update
Department of Planning and
Community Development
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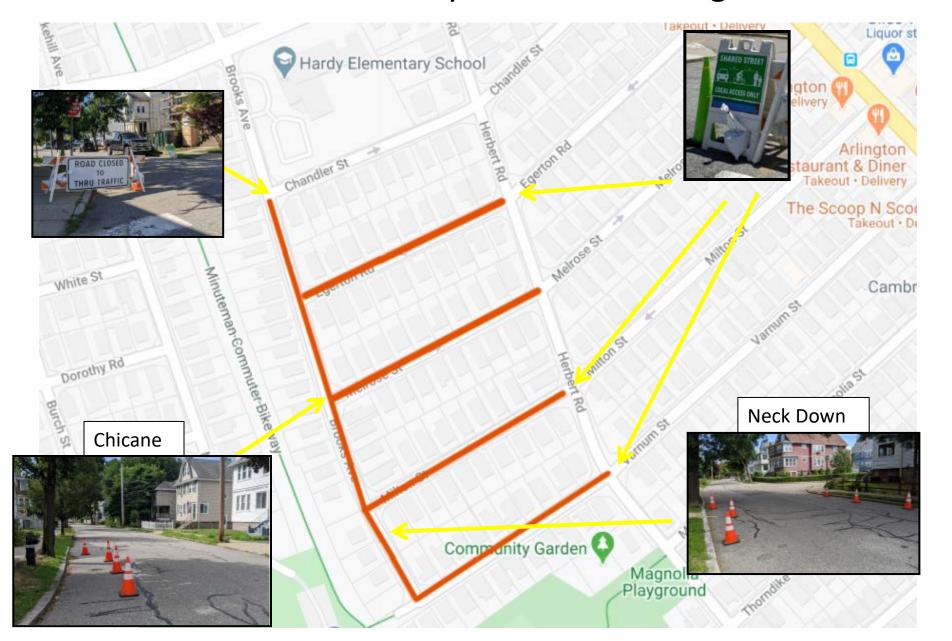


Agenda

- Brooks Avenue Reinstallation (August 6)
- Mary Street Shared Streets support and proposal for approval
- Waldo/Amsden Road Update
- Next Steps



Brooks Ave New Gateway & Traffic Calming Locations



Gateways and Temporary Traffic Calming: Chandler at Brooks



Gateways and Temporary Traffic Calming: Herbert at Egerton



Gateways and Temporary Traffic Calming: Herbert at Varnum



Gateways and Temporary Traffic Calming: Brooks at Milton



Gateways and Temporary Traffic Calming: Brooks at Melrose



Mary St.

Community Engagement

- Emailed residents who nominated Mary Street
- Zoom discussion with residents on August 6
- 39 emails 37 in support, 2 opposed
- 4 petition signatures in support

18. Mary Street Pilot



Georgia Henley <georgiah@gmail.com> 1:11 PM

Dear Select Board.

I support the proposal to include Mary Street in the shared street pilot program. This decision would open up Mary Street to safe children's play, easier social distancing, and an increased sense of community. It would allow families with strollers, children, dogs, and joggers to maintain adequate social distance when enjoying the outdoors. Moreover, traffic has nearly returned to its pre-pandemic levels and the use of Mary Street as a Lake Street cut-through

1. Support for Mary Street as a shared street from a neighbor

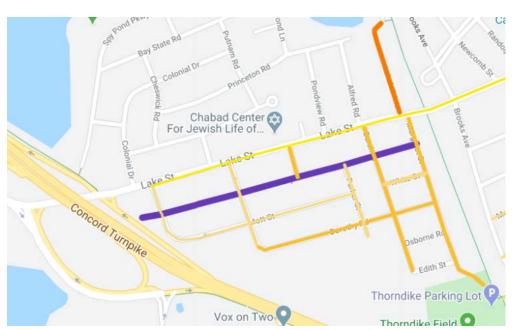


Val Tassinari <val.tassinari@gmail.com> Mon, Aug 3, 7:54 AM

Hello,

I live on the corner of Burch St & White St, just one block away from Mary Street, and I am emailing to voice my strong and enthusiastic support to make Mary Street a shared street in the

Mary St.



Concept

(**to be refined with resident input**):

Gateways:

- Major at Margaret St and Wilson Ave
- Minor at Littlejohn, Homestead, Burch, and Parker

Traffic calming:

- Mini traffic circles at Littlejohn and Burch
- Neck downs or chicanes on each block

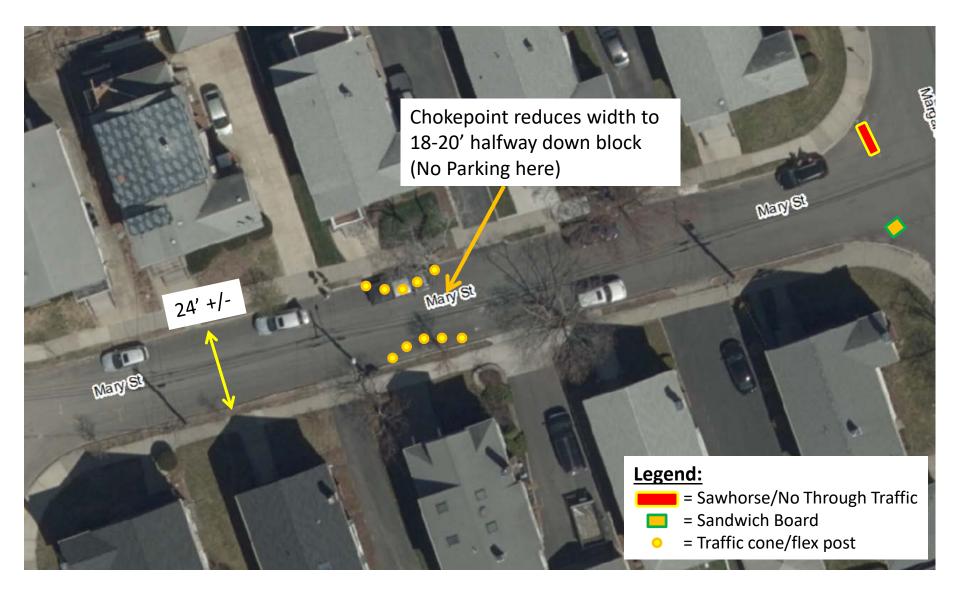
Potential Connections:

- Wilson to Lake St to Route 2 walking path
- Margaret St to Bikeway and cross over to Varnum St

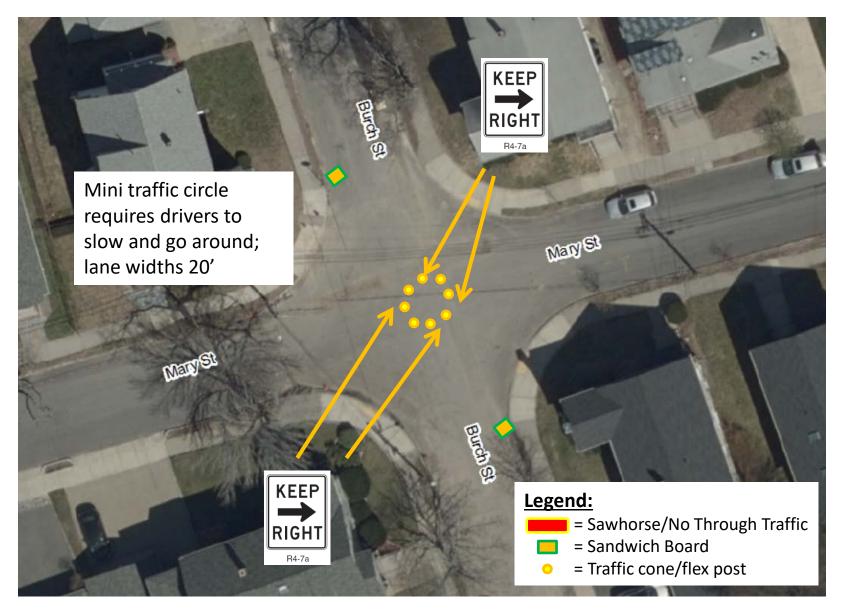
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Waldo Rd - Amsden St.

Community Engagement

- Emailed residents who nominated Waldo Road and Amsden St
- Continued discussion over email
- Will work with residents on outreach to get support

Next Steps

- Approval to conduct shared streets pilot on Mary Street
 - Refine concept and location/type of traffic calming interventions
- Work with residents for support of Waldo Road/Amsden Street pilot
- Monitor Brooks Avenue shared street through beginning of September
- Apply for MassDOT Shared Streets and Spaces Grant for materials and implementation

Discussion/Questions

