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Downtown Pedestrian and Vehicular Access Study

Nov. 20 session seeks public input on downtown Dover traffic options

In 2013, the City retained the Cecil Group to review and evaluate ways to improve pedestrian and vehicular access in Dover's urban core. Over the past year several alternatives to traffic circulation and pedestrian and bicycle facilities for downtown have been reviewed. A major issue to be resolved is whether downtown's major streets - Chestnut Street, Main Street, Central Avenue, and Washington Street - should remain one-way or be changed to two-way traffic flow.

On Sept. 22, the City's Transportation Advisory Commission reviewed the preferred alternative, and scheduled a public hearing on that alternative. The hearing,

Meetings this week:

School Board, Nov. 10, 7 p.m.

The School Board will meet on Monday, Nov. 10, at 7 p.m., in School Board Chambers at the McConnell Center.

To view the agenda, click [here](#).

City Council, Nov. 12, 7 p.m.

The City Council will hold a regular meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 12, at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers at City Hall.

To view the agenda, click [here](#).

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Saturday
8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 20, will provide an opportunity for the public to review and understand the circulation alternatives. The Nov. 20 hearing will be from 6 to 8 p.m. at the McConnell Center, Room 306, 61 Locust St., Dover, and will include a presentation of the proposed plan and plenty of opportunity for interaction with the public. The City is very interested in hearing from the public, and all are welcome to join.

"Throughout this whole process, we have urged the public to participate, and we have had good turnout for discussion about this complex plan," said Christopher Parker, AICP, Dover's Director of Planning and Community Development. "We are looking for feedback from residents, businesses owners and consumers of downtowns goods and services. We want to understand how changes may or may not impact the vibrancy of downtown."

The last time the public had an opportunity to weigh in was a May 15 workshop. Since that time, the consulting team developed a preferred alternative, including more detailed streetscape components such as trees, paving, and furniture; pedestrian amenities such as enhanced crosswalks and narrower crossing distances; and a refined traffic circulation plan. This preferred alternative includes specific solutions for particular intersections and for overall traffic flow.

Regarding traffic circulation, the plan proposed to create a plaza at the Upper Square, and two-way flow for traffic running through downtown. At the Lower Square, the proposal is to narrow up the edge of pavement, while redefining lanes to allow for more vehicular traffic to flow through and at the same time narrowing down the pedestrian crossings, to provide a safer connection between Henry Law Park and Central Avenue.

Chestnut Street is proposed to be narrowed and to add significant streetscape elements in an effort to improve pedestrian safety and encourage slower speeds by those in cars.

"One of the major intents of this project, was to calm traffic on Chestnut Street; to make it safer for those who cross it, and to convert it from a raceway into an urban road, similar to Central Avenue," Parker said.

Another component of the project is to develop streetscape standards for downtown, to help keep Dover's downtown vibrant, pedestrian-friendly, and inviting for commerce, recreation, and transportation. All roads within the Downtown have streetscape elements proposed for them, whether it be uniformed street trees, wayfinding signage, or improved sidewalks and street benches.

The project website, <http://1.usa.gov/ZbwgnX>, contains

links to previous presentations made to the Transportation Advisory Commission as well as background information about the project. Newly added is a video produced by the City, in conjunction with the consultant. The video provides an overview of the project, and the proposed plan. In addition to streaming online, at <http://dovernh.pegcentral.com/>, and on the project web site, the video will be added to the City's government access channel, DNTV Channel 22.

Flood map appeals due Dec. 1

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has prepared revised floodplain maps for the City of Dover. The proposed maps, which are available for viewing at the Department of Planning and Community Development, will be finalized by FEMA in the spring and will be adopted by the City sometime in 2015.

Property owners in or near an existing floodplain are encouraged to review the maps. If any property owner believes their property rights will be adversely affected by the proposed flood hazard determinations, they may file an appeal with the Department of Planning and Community Development. All appeals received by the Department by Dec. 1, 2014, will be forwarded to FEMA for their review.

For more information, contact Tim Corwin, Assistant City Planner, (603) 516-6008 or t.corwin@dover.nh.gov.

DHS Information Night is Nov. 12

Dover High School will hold its annual eighth-grade Information Night for parents and students currently in eighth grade in Dover, Barrington and Nottingham on Wednesday, Nov. 12, 2014, from 7-8:30 p.m.

Come and learn about Dover High's academic, career technical, co-curricular and extracurricular programs. The evening includes a presentation on the opportunities offered by Dover High School, tours and the opportunity to meet with teachers, coaches and advisors.

For more information, contact Dover High School at 6013-516-6900.

Downtown Dover Scavenger Hunt

starts next week

As part of the City of Dover's "Get To It! Your Life. Your Dover." Downtown Marketing Campaign; the City of Dover is launching a weekly Downtown Scavenger Hunt starting Thursday, Nov. 13. Participants will have a chance to win a weekly \$25 Dover Dollar card and a chance to win \$500 Dover Dollars for the holiday season.



Every Thursday from Nov. 13 to Dec. 18 (excluding Thanksgiving), the City of Dover will release a clue that identifies the location of a Get To It! Scavenger Hunt entry point prior to noon that day. The clue will be released via social media on the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce's and the City of Dover's [Facebook page](#), on Twitter @CityofDoverNH, via radio on the Bay 98.7 FM, The SHARK and Z107 FM and on the www.drivingdover.com website.

The clue will point all potential participants to one of the featured parking lots associated with the Get To It! Downtown Marketing Campaign. Everyone who guesses the clue and arrives at the correct parking lot after noon on Thursday will receive further instruction on what to do next. Weekly winners will be drawn at 4:30 p.m. each Thursday until the Scavenger Hunt ends. The location of the Get to it! clue will change every week so entrants will have to tune in, follow on social media or visit the www.drivingdover.com website for the weekly clue.

All residents, visitors and downtown employees are eligible to participate in this weekly scavenger hunt. Entries are limited to one per person, per week. To enter to win the \$500 grand prize, participants have to go to the designated business for that week and fill out an entry form that can be placed into the grand prize drawing box. The winner of the \$500 Grand Prize will be announced on Monday, Dec. 22.

For more information on Get To It!, downtown parking options, or the Get to it! Scavenger Hunt and future promotions, please visit www.drivingdover.com.

City offices closed Tuesday for Veterans Day

City administrative offices, including City Hall, will be closed on Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2014, for Veterans Day. Regular hours will resume on Wednesday, Nov. 12, 2014.

The Public Library will also be closed on Labor Day.

Dover Arts Commission to host inaugural Arts Mixer Nov. 20

'Arts @ the Center of It All' will spotlight and
celebrate Dover's creative economy

From theatre to music, from painting to poetry, from performance art to filmmaking, and so much more, arts and culture are alive in Dover. To spotlight and celebrate the creative talent in the Garrison City, the Dover Arts Commission will host "Arts @ the Center of It All," an inaugural arts mixer, on Thursday, Nov. 20, at 7 p.m. in the Dover City Hall Auditorium, 288 Central Ave.



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"Arts @ the Center of It All" is an evening for artists, arts organizations, and arts enthusiasts to mix, mingle, and find new ways to advance and enhance Dover's creative economy. Refreshments will be available and an arts showcase will feature exhibits, demonstrations, and performances by local artists.

"The idea for 'Arts @ the Center of It All' grew out of a desire to bring likeminded people together to celebrate Dover as a center for arts and culture in the Granite State," said Jane Hamor, co-chair of the Dover Arts Commission. "Additionally, we hope the event will be a catalyst to spark conversations and set the stage for future collaborations among artists, arts organizations, and arts-minded businesses in the city," Hamor said.

Dover artists and arts organizations interested in exhibiting or performing in the arts showcase may email j.clavet@dover.nh.gov to get involved. Don't miss this unique opportunity to meet and network with other members of the Dover community who share a passion for the arts.

The Dover Arts Commission is an advisory board to the Dover City Council tasked with developing and promoting programs, forums, and exhibits that highlight the artistic talent within the city. The Arts Commission works to enhance awareness of and appreciation for the arts through increased dialogue and citizen participation. To learn more, visit www.dover.nh.gov/government/boards-and-commissions/arts-commission or follow the Dover Arts

New Hampshire's Energy Future

Issues and Challenges  Solutions & Strategies

Friday, November 21, 2014
7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.



Cochecho Country Club • 145 Gulf Road, Dover, NH
Full Hot Breakfast Buffet
Members \$25 • Not-Yet-Members \$35

Come hear from a wide variety of voices involved in New Hampshire's energy debate that are all working toward the goal of reliable, renewable and affordable energy.

Seating is limited. Advance registration is required.



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Life in the National Hockey League: Q&A with Dover's Brian Murphy, a 26-year NHL official

The Friends of the Dover Public Library will host Dover resident and National Hockey League veteran Brian Murphy for a talk about professional hockey and officiating on Tuesday, Nov. 18, at 7 p.m. in the Library's Lecture Hall.

Linesman Brian Murphy (#93) has worked over 1,600 regular season NHL games and 230 playoff games, including six Stanley Cup finals. He's also officiated at the 1999 NHL All-Star Game, the 2004 World Cup of Hockey, the 2010 Vancouver Winter Olympics, and the Winter Classic game at Fenway Park. Officials call 73 to 75 regular-season games. They are the first skaters on the ice before each period and the last to leave when it's over. They are in motion for all 60 minutes of play.

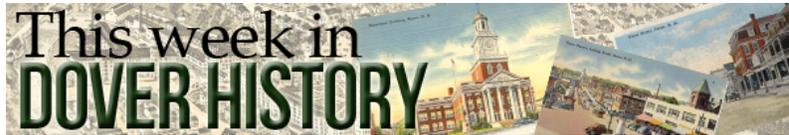


Each NHL game has four officials. Two referees supervise the game and call penalties. The two linesmen do pretty much everything else -drop the puck for face-offs, make offside calls, flag hand passes and pucks batted with high sticks, and break up fights.

"You're not out there to be noticed," says Murphy. "No one at the end of the day is going to tell you that you did a good job."

Brian will talk about his many years as an NHL official and recall some of the most memorable games he's officiated. Brian will also be happy to answer any audience questions about the National Hockey League and its players, the game of hockey, and his job enforcing the rules. This program is free and open to the public.

For more information, please contact the Dover Public Library at 603-516-6050.



This week in DOVER HISTORY

The following events are recorded in "Notable Events in the History of Dover, New Hampshire: From the First Settlement in 1623 to 1865," by George Wadleigh, "Historic Rambles About Dover," by Robert A. Whitehouse, "Port of Dover: Two Centuries of Shipping on the Cochecho" by Robert A. Whitehouse and Cathleen C. Beaudoin, and several other historical sources.

For more on the history of Dover, settled in 1623 and the oldest permanent settlement in New Hampshire and seventh oldest in the country, visit the Dover Public Library, Locust Street; and the Woodman Institute Museum, Central Avenue. The Public Library also maintains an online collection of historical information, located at <http://www.dover.lib.nh.us/DoverHistory/cityof.htm>.



Nov. 10, 1772 - This day the Rev. Mr. Belknap preached a sermon before his Excellency John Wentworth, Esq., governor of His Majesty's province of New Hampshire, at a review of the second regiment of Foot, at Dover, in said province; and met so favorable a hearing, that the officers requested a copy for the press, which was granted.



Nov. 12, 1845 - All the necessary preparations for the execution of Andrew Howard this day, were made. The gallows was erected in the jail yard, and there was a collection of several thousand persons to witness the execution, when the reprieve of the prisoner to the 8th of July, 1846, was announced.



Nov. 7, 1863 - A Union meeting at the City Hall was largely attended, and addressed by the Hon. John P. Hale, who expressed in a most eloquent manner his undoubting conviction of the triumph of our National cause and the re-establishment of justice and right on a firm and enduring basis.



Nov. 7, 1913 - A spectacular runaway occurred at 10:30 this morning across Franklin Square when two big black horses attached to a cotton team of the Pacific Mills Company came up Main Street on the run, piloted their way across Franklin Square and ended their rollicking flight near the Sea Grill on Third Street. On their way up Main Street, they collided with the Ford touring car belonging to Dr.

Edmund N. Carrignan, that was standing near the curb before Boucher's Barber Shop, and swerving it around, demolished one front tire and sprung an axle slightly.



Nov. 12, 1923 - The opening gun in the campaign against Sunday athletics was fired yesterday when the football game scheduled at Guppy Park was prohibited and about 800 persons were sent away disappointed. The action was taken by the police after an objection to the contest had been entered at the police headquarters by the members of the Men's Bible Class at the Washington Street Baptist Church.

Fall leaf collection schedule

The City of Dover 2014 fall leaf collection will take place on the following weeks:

- Nov. 3-7
- Nov. 17-21
- Nov. 24-28

Bagged leaves will be picked up on the same day as trash and recycling.

Leaves must be placed curbside in biodegradable paper leaf bags. No brush will be accepted. Paper bags can be purchased at your local hardware or home improvement store.

Grass clippings, leaves, brush and yard waste is accepted at the Recycling Center during regular operating hours.

For more information, contact the Community Services Department at 516-6450.

Dover Chamber seeking nominations for annual awards

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce is now accepting nominations for their Business of the Year, Citizen of the Year, Non-Profit of the Year and Volunteer of the Year awards. Winners will be announced at the Annual Awards Dinner in late January.

The deadline for nominations is Friday, Dec. 12.

For more information, or to nominate a business, organization or person, visit the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce [website](#) or call 603-742-2218 for more information.

Stay informed with City of Dover special announcements

Want up-to-date information about road work, emergencies, special projects, and other important information? [Sign up now](#) to receive special announcements via email.

In addition to Dover Download, the City of Dover offers a variety of e-mail updates, including emergency and road closure information, Police Facility and Parking Garage updates, Silver Street reconstruction news, news from the Public Library, and more.

To sign up for one or all of the City's updates, [click here](#). An e-mail address is required to access the special announcement mailing lists.



New online resource helps navigate downtown parking

The city has launched a new campaign to help motorists find parking in and around downtown.

The effort includes an interactive website with a downtown parking map, color-coded way-finding signs that will be installed in each parking zone and informational cards distributed by local businesses.

Residents and visitors will need to consider alternative parking venues and increased traffic flow throughout the downtown construction process that will be in effect until November 2015.

For more information about alternative parking options in downtown Dover visit www.drivingdover.com.

Plans under way for annual Holiday Parade; steps off Nov. 30

Dover Children's Center will produce the 2014 Holiday Parade "Christmas Around the World."

The parade, underwritten by Liberty Mutual, will begin at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 30. The parade will fill downtown Dover with holiday themed floats and music.

The parade this year will include floats, bands, color guard, the Dover Mounted Patrol, hot rods and Santa Claus.

Precious Parties by Kayla will be joining the parade this year. Kayla and her amazing princess team will be arriving parade day. Please keep an eye out for "Elsa" and "Tinkerbell."

Erik Roy and a representative from Amy's Treat will serve as grand marshals for the parade this year as marchers and floats make their way down Central Avenue.

Amy's Treat was created in 2007 as a legacy foundation in honor of Amy Maliszewski to benefit the patients of the Seacoast Cancer Center. They are dedicated to providing solutions to the day-to-day difficulties of living with cancer and offer unexpected "treats" to renew the spirit.

Roy was named the Volunteer of the Year by the City of Dover. His commitment and dedication to the city in making the Dover Road Race Series a reality and helping to ensure the continued success of Apple Harvest Day make him a valued asset.

William E. Boc, who was named by fellow residents as the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce's Citizen of the Year, will also be at the forefront of the parade.

City officials have been invited to march in the parade,

including members of the City Council.

If you or your organization would like to participate please contact Christina Marchese or Melissa Fischetto at doverholidayparade@gmail.com or at 742-3332.

As the parade makes its way through the city, the following streets will close to through traffic between noon and 4 p.m.: Sixth Street (Between Central Avenue and Horne Street), Maple Street (between Sixth and Hough streets), Mount Vernon Street (between Sixth and Hough), and Grove Street (between Sixth and Hough as well as between Sixth and Lincoln streets).

Only residents and parade participants are allowed from the Hough Street entrance to their respective streets. Participants should make arrangements to drop off pedestrians outside of the aforementioned restricted areas.

There is no rain date for the parade.

Time to register your vehicle? Save time, register online

Did you know you can save yourself time and a trip to City Hall by registering your vehicle online?

Online vehicle registration renewal is easy, safe and secure. You can register online by providing a PIN number or your license plate number. Your PIN number is provided by the City of Dover and can be found on your renewal notice.

For your convenience, you can now pay for motor vehicle registration by credit card.

For more information on the E-registration process, [click here](#).

City's boards and commissions keep our community vibrant

The City of Dover is a vibrant community due in large part to the energy and talent of citizen participation on boards and commissions.

The City's boards and commissions encourage public participation, including new members to fill vacant positions.

For a complete list of the City's boards and commissions, as well as more information about how to apply for boards

and commissions, click [here](#).

To download an application for board and commissions, click [here](#). Completed forms should be returned to the City Clerk's Office. Committee application forms are kept on file for one year from date of submission.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's office at 516-6018.

Stay social with your City



Want the latest announcements and important information about your city? Check out the City of Dover's official [Facebook page](#) and [twitter feed](#) for the latest updates.



Want to stay up to speed on exciting events and activities in Dover? Sign up for the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce's weekly newsletter, Peek at the Week, for up-to-date information on what's happening in Dover.

Whether it's the schedule for the Cochecho Arts Festival, art exhibits or where to shop for local products, sign up for Peek at the Week, and you'll be ready for the week ahead.

You can sign up to receive the Chamber's Peek at the Week by e-mail [here](#).

Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

Don't forget: If you missed the live City Council, School Board or Planning Board on Channels 22 and 95, you can catch it again, online and on demand.

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