



# Public Information Meeting

February 24, 2021



# Meeting Agenda

- Welcome!
- Project Update
- Next Steps
- Questions



# Project Limits

- Main Street from Church St to Franklin Street
- Common Street
- Lake Ave & Spaulding St
- Water Street Roadway Reconstruction
- Albion Street from Main St to Gould Street
- Water Street Parking Lot



# Meetings to Date

- Town Meeting -November 2018
- Focus Group Meeting #1 – January 25, 2019
- Public Meeting #1 – February 19, 2019
- Focus Group Meeting #2 – March 8, 2019
- Public Meeting #2 – March 21, 2019
- Public Meeting # 3 – April 9, 2019
- Town Meeting – April 29, 2019
- Public Information Meeting – February 11, 2020
- **Albion Street Info Meeting – July 30, 2020**
- **Wakefield Safe Streets Working Group (SSWG) Meeting – November 24, 2020**
- **Pre-25% Mtg w/MassDOT – January 14, 2021**



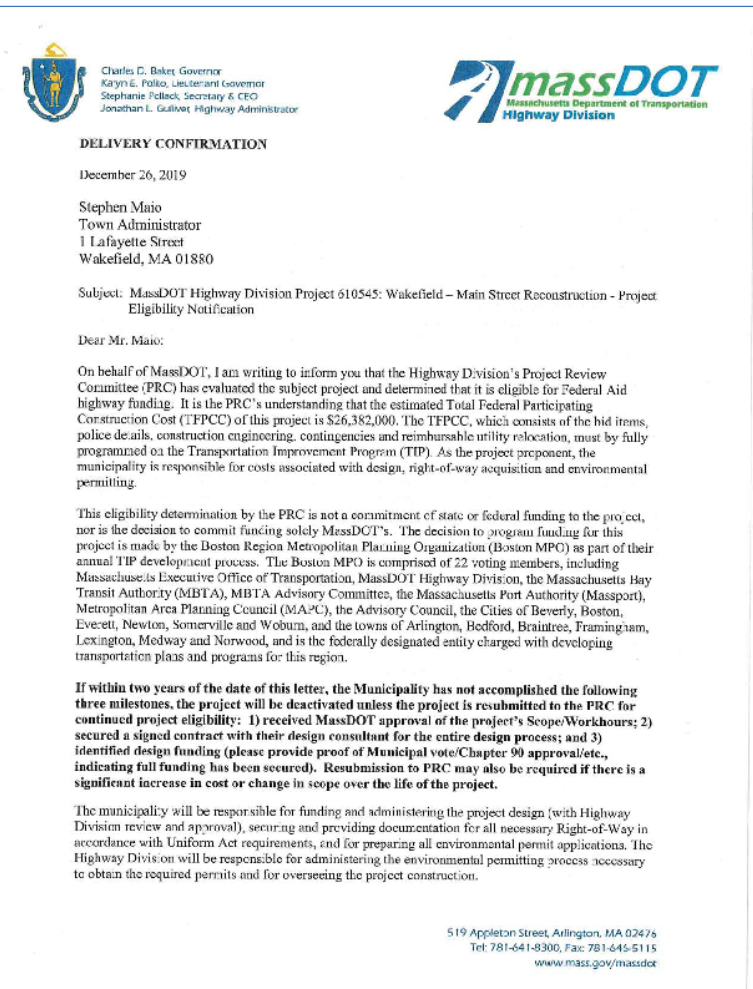
# Project Goals

- Incorporate complete streets elements
- Improve safety for all users
- Improve accessibility
- Maintain parking in downtown area
- Improve economic development
- Active transportation connections  
local & regional destinations



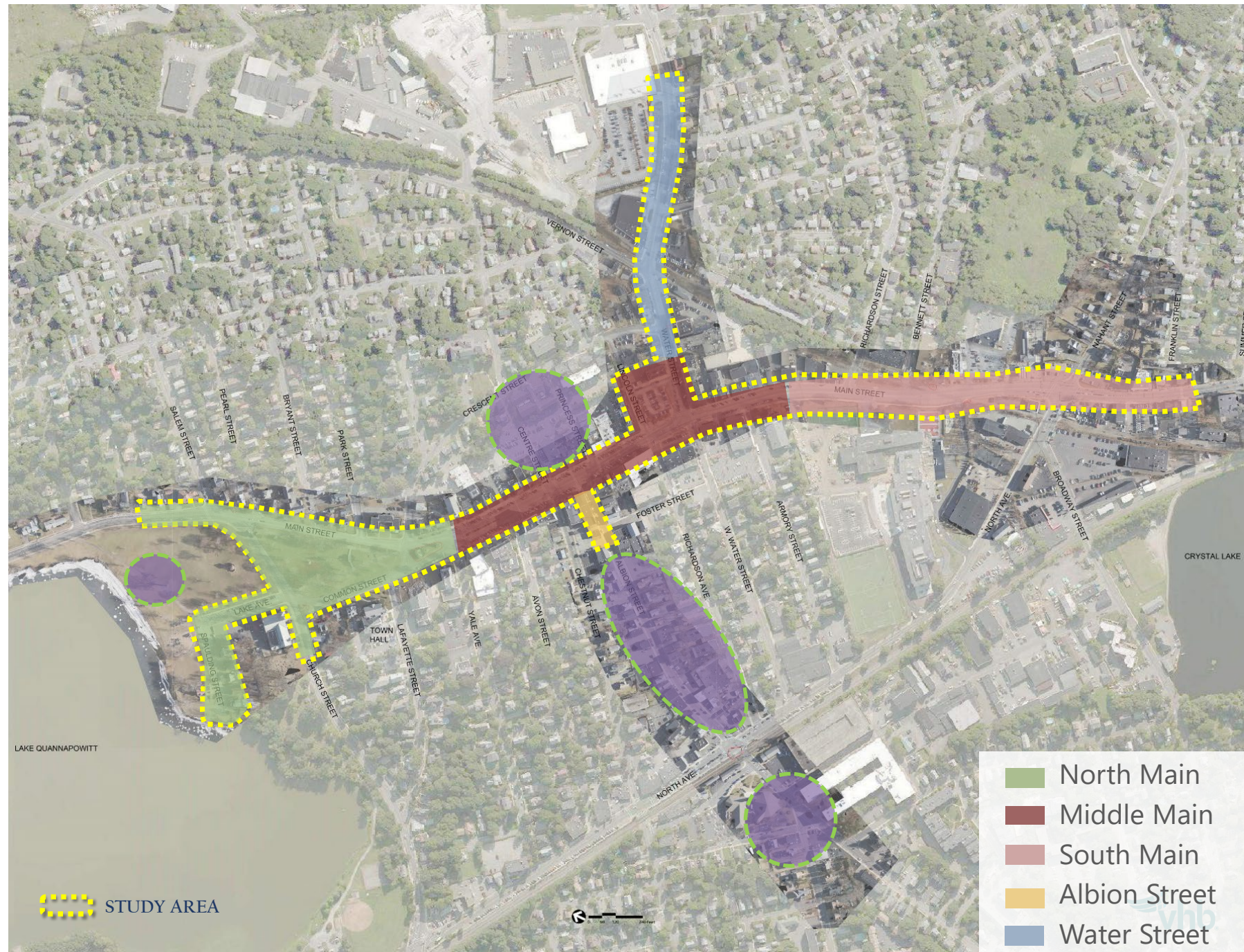
# MassDOT Construction Approval

- MassDOT performed an initial evaluation of community-input concept plans and **approved advancement of the project**
  - WHAT THIS MEANS: Framework, safety, and design standards in design meets federal funding criteria
- Based on the community's "preferred alternative"
- Project funding estimate: **\$26,382,000** (per MassDOT)
  - Funding Source: 80% Federal Funding; 20% State Funding



# Early Projects

- Increasing parking on Common Street (one way), Princess and Centre Street
- Regulating parking – Enforcement of timed parking
- Albion Street – MassDOT Complete Streets grant
- Water quality at Lake Quannapowitt – MVP Grant
- Expanded outdoor dining
- Rail Trail project



# Complete Streets Grant

- **\$378,571 awarded**
- State funds secured through the MassDOT Complete Streets Program
- Carves out and accelerates this aspect of Envision Wakefield timeline and serves as “live model” for remainder of project



*Albion Street under construction now!*

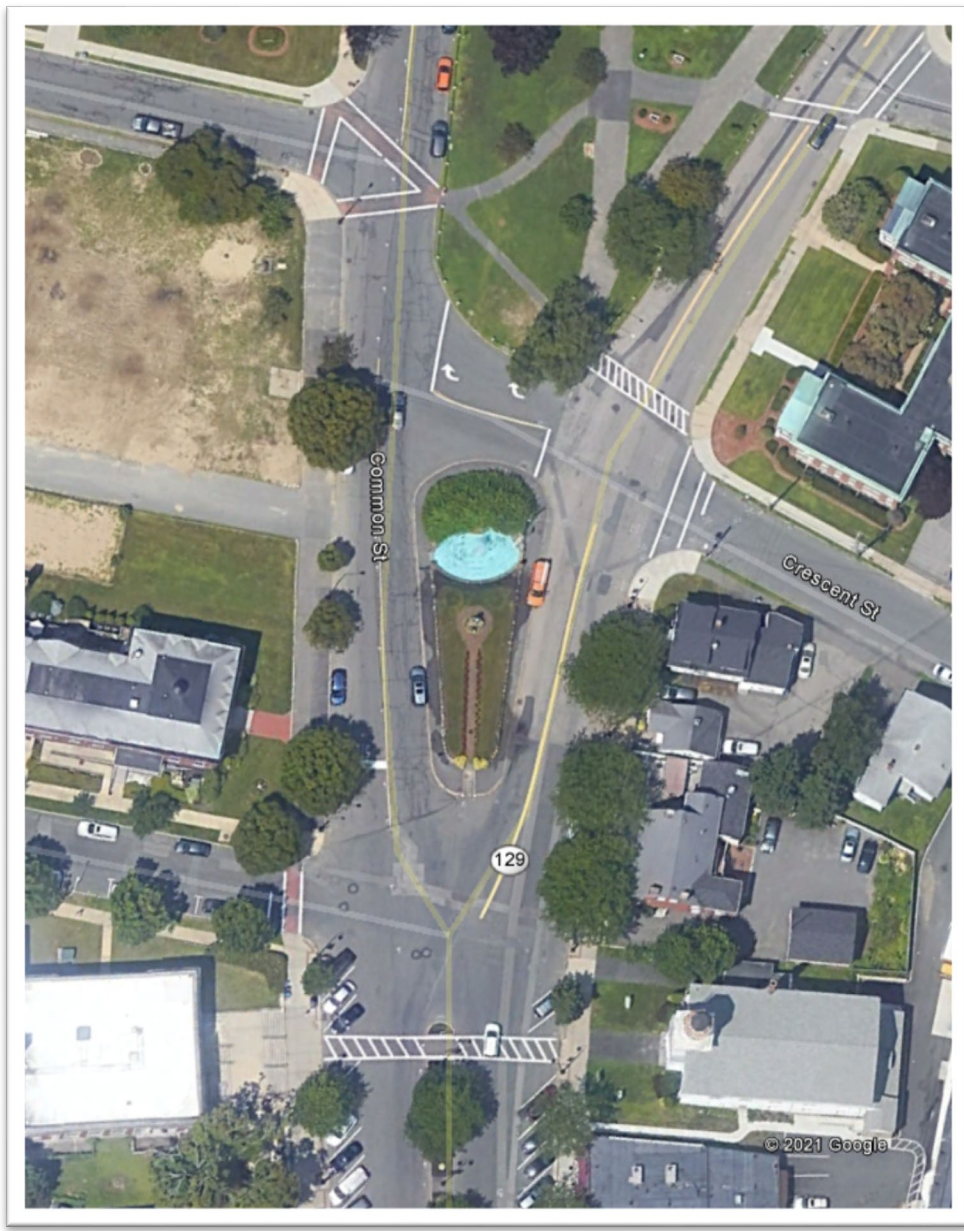
# What is a 25% design

- Lock in the framework of the design
  - Public has a chance for feedback at 25% Design Public Hearing
  - State reviews again at 75%, 100% and PS&E (Final Plans, Specs and Estimate)
- Design development of proposed design
- Utility and Right-of-Way coordination
- Compliance with federal and state regulations (ie. MassDOT Design Guide, directives, AASHTO and MUTCD)
- Bus stop coordination with MBTA



# 25% Design | Overview

# Rockery | Overview





# Next Steps

- 25% Design Development – March 2021
  - Submit to MassDOT for design review
  - Receive comments
  - Respond to comments and meet with MassDOT
  - Utility and ROW coordination meetings with MassDOT
- Design Public Hearing – Late Summer 2021
- 75% Design Development
  - Streetscaping and landscaping selection



Questions?



# Thank You!

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