



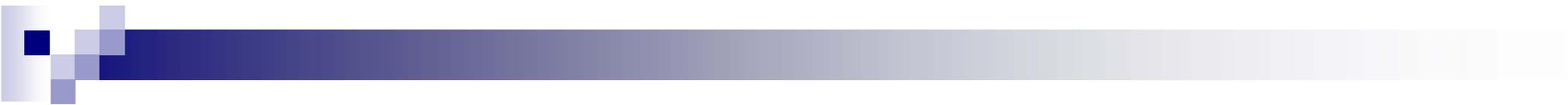
# BRIDGE/RETAINING WALL PROJECT:

Joint Meeting of the Economic Development Authority and the Greater Downtown Tax Increment Finance District Advisory Board



Tuesday  
February 17, 2009



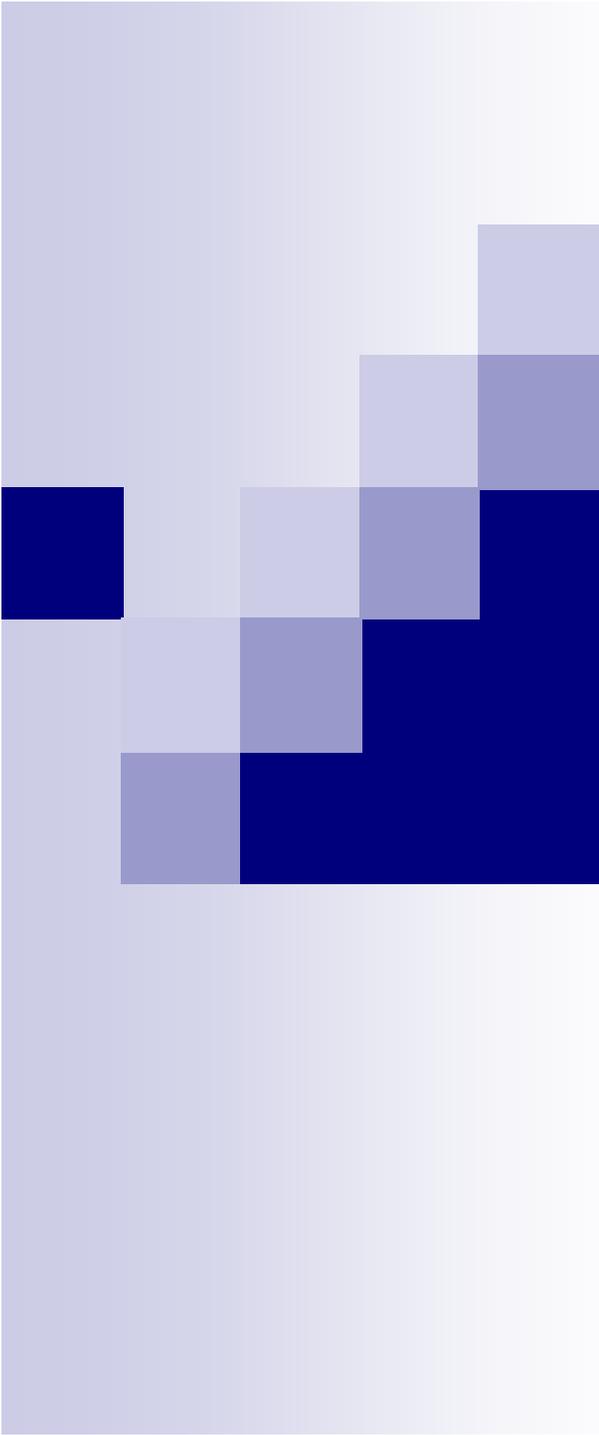


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- Jack Burnett
- Jeffrey Crocker
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- Susan Phillips-Hungerford
- Ken Simonetta
- Joe Byk, *ex officio*

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- Peter Robinson
- Willard Williams
- Michael Gordon, Alternate



Thanks to Intermezzo:  
*Georgia, Tony,  
Gerardo, and Kate*



# Agenda

1. Update on the Bridge & Retaining Wall Project
2. Overview of the Timeframe and Project Process
3. Review of CSS and the Place Audit
4. Upcoming Meeting Schedule
5. Discussion of possible Task Forces



# Timeframe

- December 2008: Engineer Selection
- January 2009 – Finalize fee and scope
- February – December 2009: Conceptual and Preliminary Designs
- January 2010 – September 2010: Final Design and Project Bidding
- October 2010 – December 2011: Reconstruction



# The Team

## Louis Berger Group:

- Joseph McKeever, Vice President
- Brian Clogston, Director Transportation Engineering
- Jason Gallant, Senior Structural Engineer
- Paul McGinley, Preservation Planner
- Martha Bowers, Principal Architectural Historian
- Leigh Lane, Transportation Project Development
- Tim Higginson, Senior Transportation Engineer

## Ironwood Design:

- Jeffrey Hyland, Landscape Architect

## Ward Geotechnical Consulting

- Craig Ward, Professional Engineer



# The Process

- Regular monthly meetings through May, than as practical and necessary
- Place Audit (Context Sensitive Solutions)
- Public Input
- Design/Engineering
- Construction

# The Context Sensitive Solution Process

1 Problem Identification	2 Problem Solution	3 Solution Implementation	4 Operation-Evaluation
<b>TIMELINE:</b>			
<b>In process</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Identify problem or need</li> <li>· Identify stakeholders</li> <li>· Establish outreach process</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Develop Problem Statement</li> <li>· Develop Vision Statement</li> <li>· Agree on project limits</li> <li>· Create concepts</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Select final design</li> <li>· Prepare bid package</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Evaluate the project</li> <li>· Capture lessons learned</li> <li>· Provide feedback</li> <li>· Provide input to new problems &amp; needs identification</li> </ul>
<b>PRODUCTS:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Stakeholder list</li> <li>· Preliminary identification of issues</li> </ul>	<b>PRODUCTS:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Problem Statement</li> <li>· Vision Statement</li> <li>· Conceptual Design</li> </ul>	<b>PRODUCTS:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Final Design</li> <li>· Bid Package</li> </ul>	<b>PRODUCTS:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Adjusted facility</li> <li>· Captured lessons</li> </ul>

# CSS Place Audit

## PETERBOROUGH TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT<sup>1</sup>

### *West Peterborough Road Audit*

This exercise is intended to be used as a tool to evaluate how well streets and adjacent land uses are performing as Places, and identify opportunities for enhancing them in the future. **NOTE:** A question with this process has to do with whether the site is being ranked for "today" or the future. Many questions would possibly be answered with a lower score if the question related to the future. Since the future is not a known quantity for this exercise, the site should be ranked for its current condition, with issues noted that could be problems in the future. The drafting of the Vision Statement may take this into consideration in planning a road for today and the future.



<sup>1</sup> This Audit is based on materials and information developed by the Project for Public Spaces, Inc. and on training provided by the NH Department of Transportation.



Location: \_\_\_\_\_

### A. EVALUATE THE PLACE

Put yourself in the shoes of someone who live or works in the area, and evaluate how well this site performs as a place. Circle the number that best reflects your level of agreement or disagreement with the statement. [Note: If the place is rural, skip those questions that clearly relate to urban or suburban places, and adjust the average answer accordingly.]

1. ACCESS, LINKAGES & INFORMATION	DISAGREE				AGREE			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
(a) Pedestrians can easily walk to and through the place.								
(b) There is a comfortable level of separation between the pedestrians and the motor vehicle traffic.								
(c) Sidewalks are adequate and connect to adjacent areas.								
(d) Crosswalks are adequate and are well-marked.								
(e) Street crossing distances are minimal.								
(f) Bicycling is encouraged and facilitated by convenient and well-marked routes.								
(g) Vehicles do not detract from the pedestrian experience.								
(h) Directional signage and location information are clear and informative.								
(i) Vehicles are able to use the road safely and efficiently.								
<b>SUM of ANSWERS =</b>								
<b>AVERAGE ANSWER (Total: ___/9) =</b>								

2. USES AND ACTIVITIES	DISAGREE				AGREE			
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
(a) There are opportunities to use the place for active recreational experiences (e.g., walking, shopping, access to boating, fishing, hiking).								
(b) Commercial uses are easily visible and accessible for drivers and pedestrians.								
(c) Populated areas (a commercial street or residential area) have many different activities occurring.								
(d) The road provides adequate access to abutting land uses.								
(e) The road enhances the setting of abutting land uses.								
(f) Continuity of street-level uses makes for a pleasant walking experience.								
<b>SUM of ANSWERS =</b>								
<b>AVERAGE ANSWER (Total: ___/6) =</b>								

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3. COMFORT, IMAGE & SOCIABILITY	DISAGREE			AGREE	
(a) The road is attractive.	1	2	3	4	
(b) The road fits its surroundings.	1	2	3	4	
(c) The road respects and highlights important natural and scenic features (parks, rivers, wetlands, agricultural land, forests, mountains, etc.).	1	2	3	4	
(d) Amenities (landscaping, seating, waste receptacles, street lighting, etc.) are adequate, operable and well located.	1	2	3	4	
(e) Amenities fit the surroundings.	1	2	3	4	
(f) Business signage fits its surroundings.	1	2	3	4	
(g) There are places for people to gather in groups.	1	2	3	4	
(h) People use this place by choice	1	2	3	4	
SUM of ANSWERS =					
AVERAGE ANSWER (Total: ___/8) =					

4. SAFETY	DISAGREE			AGREE	
(a) Vehicles are able to use the road safely and efficiently.	1	2	3	4	
(b) The road feels safe and well cared for.	1	2	3	4	
(c) There is adequate lighting at all intersections.	1	2	3	4	
(d) Sight distance is not impeded by hills or curves.	1	2	3	4	
(e) Roadside distractions for vehicular traffic are minimal.	1	2	3	4	
SUM of ANSWERS =					
AVERAGE ANSWER (Total: ___/5) =					

AVERAGE ANSWER OF ALL AREAS (A perfect score is 4)	
AVERAGE ACCESS, LINKAGES & INFO	
AVERAGE USES & ACTIVITIES	
AVERAGE COMFORT & IMAGE	
AVERAGE SAFETY	
SUM of ANSWERS	
AVERAGE of ALL (Sum: ___/4) =	

## B. ADD ANY OTHER PROBLEMS YOU SEE:

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## C. PRIORITIZE PROBLEMS

Considering your evaluation of the place, list problems below in order of importance that you think need to be on the priority list. Please DO take budgetary issues into consideration as you rank the problems – they should not only be the most important, but also those that have a likelihood of being addressed within a reasonable time.

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4. 

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## D. NEXT STEPS

1. Consolidate observations.
2. Identify problems.
3. Develop a Problem Statement.
4. Draft a Vision Statement.
5. Draft Recommendations.

# Design, Engineering, Construction





# Possible Task Forces

- Traffic Management – How will traffic through the Downtown be managed and routed?
- Communications/Information – How will we keep the residents and the traveling public informed?
- Event Management – Can we create a master calendar of all Downtown events so that the construction schedule can be adjusted accordingly?



## Upcoming Meetings:

Intent to hold meetings in different locations to reach the broadest audience

- Tuesday March 17<sup>th</sup> (Location TBD)
- Tuesday April 21<sup>st</sup> (Town House)
- Tuesday May 19<sup>th</sup> (Conduct Place Audit – meet at the Library)



# Your Input

- Monitor Town Website:

[www.townofpeterborough.com](http://www.townofpeterborough.com)

- Contact EDA & Downtown TIF Board Members

- Email:

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