



A plan to reestablish a sense of place to historic Shawsheen Village, Andover, MA, USA

Project Description

A group of local businesses, area stakeholders and the Town of Andover, Massachusetts is contemplating a series of changes to the streetscape within the Shawsheen Village area of Andover that is located in the vicinity of the intersection of Routes 28 (N. Main Street) and 133 (Haverhill Street). The project limits extend on Route 28 from the Interstate 495 interchange southerly to Harding Street, for an approximate length of 1.25 miles. The project limits on Route 133 will extend from the commuter rail overpass westerly, approximately to 200 feet west of Route 28, for an approximate length of 0.5 miles. Also included will be Poor Street, at the intersection of Route 28 and 133.

The area has a rich history and a diversity of existing land uses that contribute to creating a unique streetscape and public environment. Recent efforts by the Town and MassHighway are underway to improve the pedestrian amenities and aesthetics on sections of Main Street, through Andover downtown from School Street to North Street. To continue the momentum that has been created by the Main Street improvements, the local businesses, stakeholders and Town of Andover would like to create a preliminary "Vision Plan" for the Shawsheen Village area.

This Vision Plan will also include preliminary thoughts for future development for some vacant or underutilized parcels within the village area limits. The Vision Plan will be used as a tool to generate additional community interest in updating the Shawsheen Village streetscape that the Town can move forward to secure design and construction funds through local, state or federal means. The streetscape Vision Plan is intended to be conceptual and will focus on illustrating potential streetscape design characteristics, pedestrian amenities, development opportunities and ideas to incorporate into any future transportation project that the Town advances.

On behalf of the area stakeholders and the Town of Andover, please join in our efforts in helping re-establish a "sense of place" for Shawsheen Village.

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