

Kelley Square
Improvement Project
Worcester | Project File No. 609226

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

The White Room November 20, 2019 | 6:00pm



Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
 - Project Team
- Project Overview
 - Project Limits
 - Project Goals
 - Existing Conditions
 - Key Components
 - Traffic Impacts
- Construction Staging and Sequencing
- Construction Period Public Involvement



Project Team









MassDOT Highway Division – District 3

Project Proponent

VHB

Lead Design Consultant

J.H. Lynch & Sons, Inc.

General Contractor

Central Mass. Signal, LLC

Traffic signals and lighting

Howard Stein Hudson

Public Outreach



Project Limits



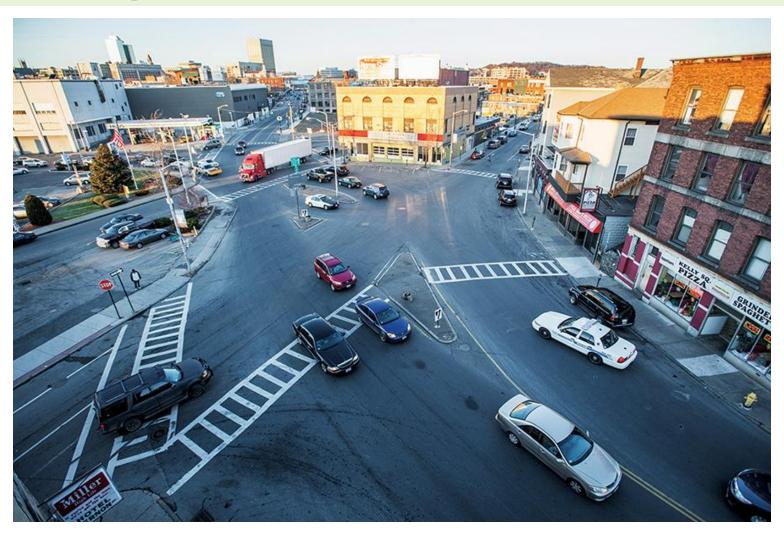


Project Goals

- Improve safety and mobility for all users
- Enhance neighborhood connectivity
- Create a walkable and bikeable Kelley Square
- Support existing businesses and economic growth



Existing Conditions





Key Components

- Hybrid roundabout
- Millbury/ Harding direction change
- Upgrade traffic signals
- Improved bicycle and pedestrian enhancements



Hybrid Roundabout





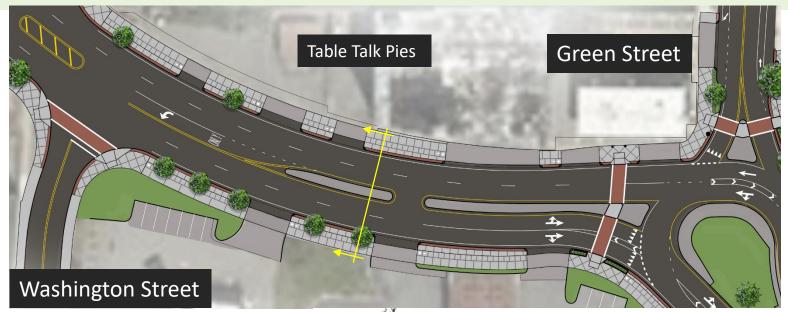


Madison Street

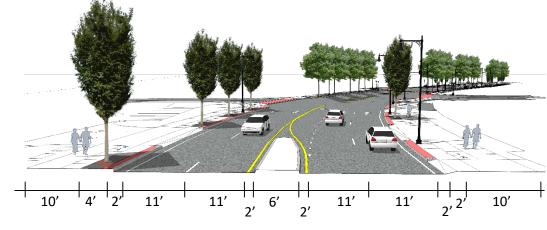




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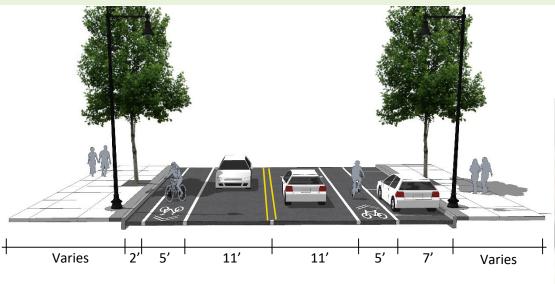


- Landscaping along roadways
- Scoring of Shared-Use Path
- Street Lighting



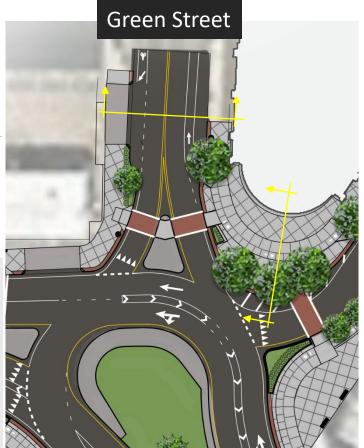


Green Street



- Landscaping along roadways
- Scoring of Shared-Use Path





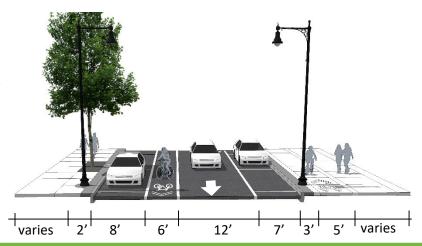


Harding St (North of Kelley Sq)



Harrison Street

- Landscaping along roadways
- Scoring of Shared-Use Path
- Street Lighting
- Bicycle connection along Harding St





Arwick Ave/Millbury St/ Harding St



- Location of Mini-Roundabout
- Street Lighting



Traffic Impacts

- The project is expected to be substantially completed by November 2020
 - Most work will occur 7 AM to 3:30 PM Monday through Friday
 - Most night and weekend work anticipated in 2020
 - Permanent parking removal implemented at onset of construction
 - Pedestrian facilities will be provided on
 - 1 side of street during construction (at a minimum)
 - 2 north/south crossings will be maintained in vicinity of Water/Millbury & Harding/Green
 - Abutter access/egress will be maintained
 - Existing bike lanes along Green, Water and Millbury Streets will be restored as quickly as possible



60-Day Look-Ahead – Early Work

- Project wide drainage improvements
- Traffic signal work underground:
 - Foundations
 - Conduit
- Raising Madison Street between Washington and Gold Streets
 - Blending road and site work for Polar Park
- Ongoing third-party utility work through spring 2020

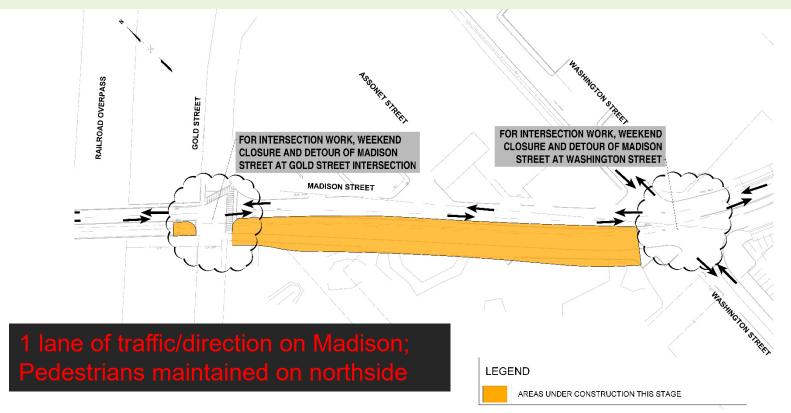


60-Day Look-Ahead – Early Work II

- Stage A & B of Madison Street work
- In and around Kelley Square:
 - Tree removals
 - Drainage
 - Roadway widening
 - Lighting and electrical conduit installation
 - Rough grading for roundabout
- Traffic impacts:
 - Local lane closures and shifts
 - Pedestrian detours
 - Support by Worcester Police details
- Night work anticipated Sunday, Nov. 24 to Tuesday, Nov. 26 to:
 - Avoid travel impacts during Thanksgiving
 - Project will not work from Wednesday, Nov. 27 to Monday, Dec. 2
 - Avoid dual impact with Polar Park work at Gold Street/Madison Street



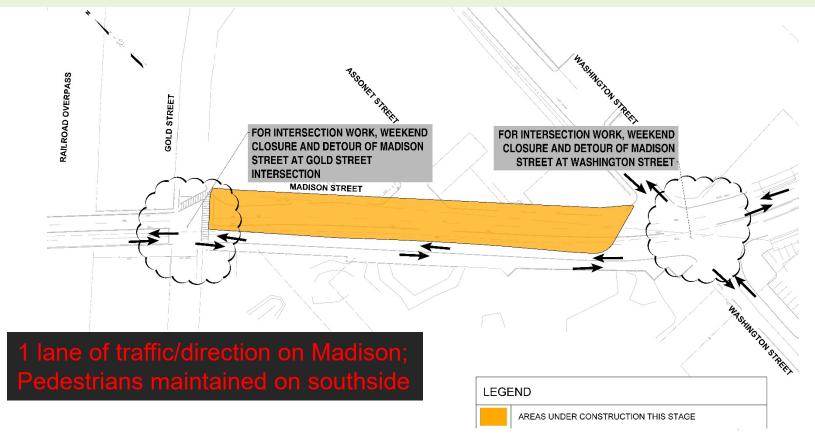
Stage A - Madison St (west of Washington St) - Nov.-Dec. 2019



- Description of Work: Road & temp SW Construction, short-term/weekend closures for intersection work at Washington & Gold Streets (including traffic signal upgrade)
- Focus Areas: Southside of Madison & Washington/Gold intersections



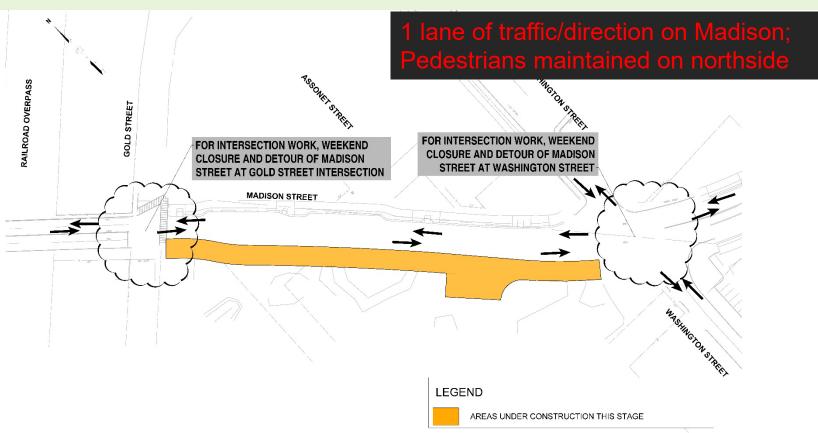
Stage B - Madison St (west of Washington St) - Nov.-Dec. 2019



- Description of Work: Road, Curb & SW Construction, overnight & weekend closures for intersection work at Washington & Gold Streets (including traffic signal upgrade)
- Focus Areas: Northside of Madison & Washington/Gold intersections



Stage C – Madison St (west of Washington St) – March-May 2020



- Description of Work: SW Construction, overnight & weekend closures for intersection work at Washington & Gold Streets (including traffic signal upgrade)
- Focus Areas: Southside of Madison & Washington/Gold intersections



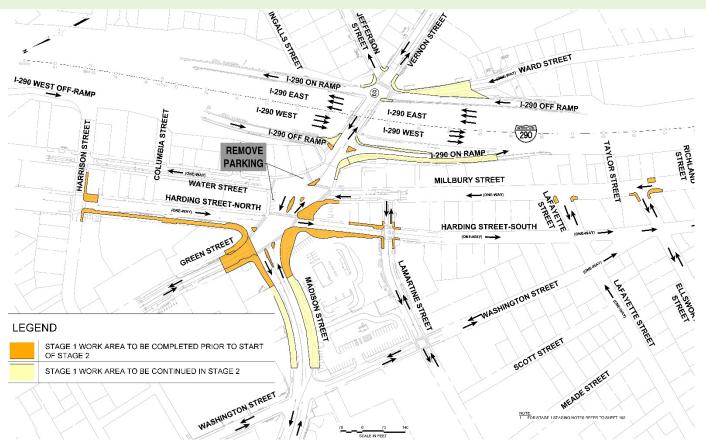
Stage D – Madison St (west of Washington St) – May-July 2020



- Description of Work: SW Construction, overnight & weekend closures for intersection work at Washington & Gold Streets (including traffic signal upgrade)
- Focus Areas: Southside of Madison & Washington/Gold intersections



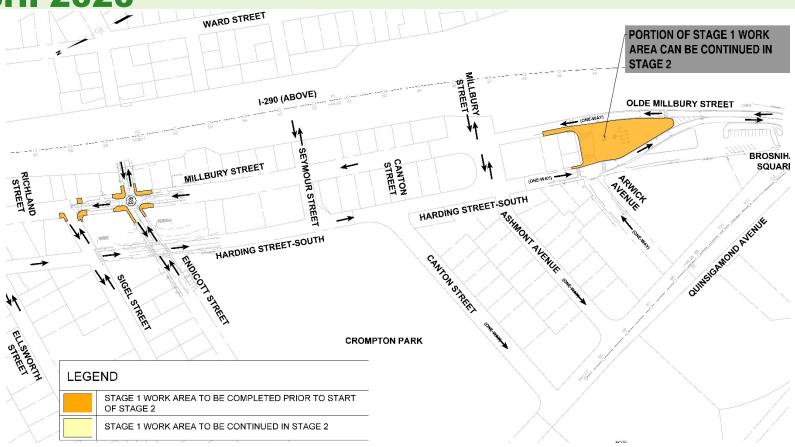
Stage 1 - Kelley Square - Nov. 2019-April 2020



- Description of Work: Existing Island Removal; Road, Curb & SW Construction
- Focus Areas: Harding North/Green; Harding South; Madison (btw K Sq and Wash.); I-290
 WB off/on ramp and EB off-ramp/Ward Street; Millbury Street intersections



Stage 1 – Millbury & Harding Streets - Nov. 2019-April 2020



- Description of Work: Road, Curb & SW Construction; Portion of Mini-Roundabout
- Focus Areas: Millbury at Sigel and Endicott; Millbury/Harding South/Arwick



Millbury/Harding Reversal - Early May 2020



- Overnight and/or weekend closure/detour(s) Signal Modifications at Endicott Street; Striping
 Signage; Police & Message board Reinforcement
- Contractor to submit hour by hour plan for reversal implementation



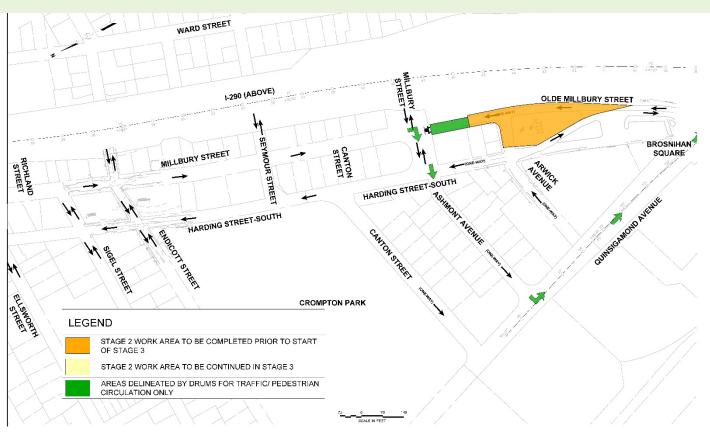
Stage 2 - Kelley Square - May-June 2020



- Description of Work: Implement Hybrid; Construct interior of Hybrid, including truck aprons; Road, Curb & SW Construction; Traffic Signal installation
- Focus Areas: Hybrid; Harding North/Harrison; Madison (btw K Sq and Wash); Harding South;
 I-290 WB on/off ramp and EB off-ramp/Ward Street



Stage 2 – Millbury St & Harding St – May-June 2020



- Description of Work: Completion of Mini-Roundabout
- Focus Areas: Millbury/Harding South/Arwick



Stage 3 - Kelley Square – June-August 2020



- Description of Work: Road, Curb & SW Construction; Traffic Signal installation
- Focus Areas: Northside Hybrid, btw Harding North, Water and Vernon; Harding North/Harrison; I-290 WB off-ramp



Stage 4 - Kelley Square - August-Sept. 2020





Project Finishes-Sept.-Oct. 2020





Construction Period Public Involvement

- Maintain the high standards set by the design process
- Prior to today's meeting:
 - Newsprint advertisements in Worcester Telegram & Gazette, Vocero Hispano, and The White Eagle
 - Meeting notice flyers sent to/placed at:
 - · Project area businesses and residences
 - Worcester Public Library
 - City Hall
 - WRTA Terminal Union Station
 - Key "signal boosting" stakeholders from the design period e.g. YWCA of Central MA.
- Construction activities will be published in:
 - GovDelivery email system
 - First weekly blast: November 22nd
 - MassDOT Project website: <u>kelleysqproj.Worcester@dot.state.ma.us</u>
 - Worcester Canal District Construction Website: worcestercanal.com
 - Quarterly update newsletters first anticipated in Q1 2020
- Major changes in traffic patterns, e.g. reversal of Millbury and Harding Streets will receive coverage in both regular protect updates and independent releases.
- We expect our next public meeting in spring 2020 as part of the outreach for Millbury/Harding reversal.



Questions? Comments?



- How to contact us:
 - Project Email Address: <u>kelleysqproj.worcester@dot.state.ma.us</u>
 - MassDOT Project website: https://www.mass.gov/worcester-kelley-square-improvement-project



Public Outreach

- Outreach to date
 - Numerous meetings with community/business/stakeholder groups
 - MassDOT 1st Public Workshop Oct 10, 2018
 - MassDOT 2nd Public Workshop Oct 24, 2018
 - MassDOT Public Information Meeting Dec 5, 2018
 - MassDOT 3nd Public Workshop Jan 23, 2019
 - MassDOT 25% Design Public Hearing Feb 27, 2019
 - City of Worcester sponsored Landscape Meeting May 6, 2019
 - MassDOT Public Information Meeting May 22, 2019
 - MassDOT Public Information Meeting Nov 20, 2019