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September 27, 2023

Jeffrey T. Lucas,
Chairman
Fairhaven Community Preservation Committee
40 Center St
Fairhaven, MA 02719

Re: Sidewalk Project at Walnut St.

Dear Mr. Lucas:

By means of this correspondence, please accept this CPC application submitted by the Board of Public Works to replace the brick sidewalk in the Fairhaven Center - specifically on Walnut St (east side) between Center St. and Union St at a requested amount of \$175,000.

This sidewalk, located on Walnut St., would be completely removed and reinstalled to eliminate the dangerous conditions (frost heaving, tree roots, etc.) encountered in the majority of this area.

The new and improved sidewalk will meet accessibility codes, the street curb will be reset where it has heaved, conduit will be installed (for future historical lighting) and 2 trees will be removed.

This requested project is not only a continuation of the sidewalk work that was done around the library earlier this year but is also required to safeguard pedestrians that use the sidewalks. The longer these projects are delayed the more treacherous the sidewalks will become.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Vinnie Furtado", is written over a faint, circular stamp or watermark.

Vinnie Furtado
Public Works Superintendent

CPC PROJECT APPLICATION FORM – FY25

Applicant: The Board of Public Works

Submission Date: September 29, 2023

Applicant's Address, Phone Number and Email

Purpose: (Please select all that apply)

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- Open Space
- Community Housing
- Historic Preservation
- Recreation

Town Committee or sponsoring organization (if applicable): Board of Public Works

Project Name: Walnut St. Sidewalk Restoration (east side)

Project Location/Address: Walnut St. between Center and Union

Amount Requested: \$ 175,000

Project Summary: In the space below, or attached sheets if necessary, provide a detailed summary of the project citing the elements of the Review and Recommendation Criteria found in the Application Guidelines and checklists below (p. 4-8)

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Estimated Date for Commencement of Project: Fall 2024

Estimated Date for Completion of Project: Fall 2024

General Criteria for All Projects • Check off and address each criterion as it applies:

- Is the project consistent with the goals of the Town of Fairhaven *Community Preservation Plan*?
Yes - Improvements
- Does the project have other sources of funding? If so, indicate percentage.
Yes, if needed
- Does the project leverage additional or multiple sources of public and/or private funding?
- Does the project preserve a threatened resource?
- Is the project consistent with existing Planning Documents such as the Master Plan and Open Space Plan?
Yes
- Does the project comply with the zoning regulations?
Yes
- Does the project have a means of support for maintenance and upkeep?
Yes, BPW
- Does the project involve currently owned municipal assets?
Yes - public sidewalk repair
- Does the project serve underserved populations or address more than one focus area of the CPA?
- Does the project reclaim abandoned or previously developed lands?
- Does the project require a Special Permit, NOI, Building Permit or other permitting? Please list all local and State permits you are aware of that the project will need.
- Does the project have community support? Does the project provide a positive impact to the community?
Yes - BPW was asked to put forward this application
- Does the project have sufficient supporting documentation?
- Has the applicant/ team demonstrated the ability and competency to implement the project as proposed?
Yes - BPW has successfully implemented other such similar projects
- Does the applicant have site control, or the written consent by the property owner to submit an application?
Yes - Public sidewalk

Historic Preservation Selection Criteria - Check off and address each criterion as it applies:

- Is the building on the National or State Register of Historic Places?
- Is the property eligible for listing on the National or State Register of Historic Places?
- Has the property been included in the local Survey of Historic Properties (MACRIS)?
- Is the property in danger of being demolished?
- Are there potential archeological artifacts at the site?
- Did the property ever play a documented role in the history or is it noted in published histories of the Town?
- Are there any particularly important historic aspects about the property?
Yes - sidewalk location
- Are there other potential uses for the property, which could benefit the Town?
Yes
- Could the building be converted for affordable housing use while still retaining its historic character?
- Is the owner interested in preserving the historic integrity of the property?
- Does the proposal conform to the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties? Has previous work on the building conformed to the Standards?
- Was the structure built before 1921? Has it otherwise been identified as being historic or have cultural value?

Recreation Criteria - Check off and address each criterion as it applies:

- Will more than one age group use the project?
Yes - all ages
- Can the project be used by more than one activity (multi-use)?**
Yes
- How many participants will normally use the project at once?
Numerous
- Is this project the first of its kind in the Town or County?
- Are grants available to help pay for construction? If so, have applications been made for the grants?
- Does the project include considerations for additional parking?
- Can the project be used during more than 1 of the 4 seasons per year?
Yes - all 4
- Does the project match the character of the surrounding area?
Yes - one of the main precipitating factors
- Does the project include all normal safety considerations?
Yes - project will repair current condition and increase safety
- Does the project meet all building and safety codes?
Yes
- Is the project accessible by pedestrians, bicycles, transit?
Very much so

Open Space Criteria for Parcel Selection - Check off and address each criterion as it applies:

- Is the project within the Nasketucket Watershed Area?

- Is the project with 100 feet of wetlands? Is the project with 200 feet of a river?

- Is stream and bank protection an issue? Is vernal pool protection a consideration?

- Would this proposal enhance protection of any FEMA designated floodway?

- Does the project include any Area of Critical Environmental Concern?

- Would this proposal contribute to the preservation and/or creation of forested land?

- Will this proposal protect other parcels? Will this proposal impact other parcels?

- Does this parcel abut protected land? Does this parcel support a significant wildlife habitat?

- Is this parcel at risk for development? Did this parcel have a past proposal for development? Is it for sale?

- Are grants available? If so, have applications been made?

- Does the property or structures have historic significance?
Yes - we believe so

- Are there any stonewalls, old foundations, roads, trails, cart paths or scenic vistas?

- Are there any active or passive recreation possibilities associated with this parcel?
Yes

- Is this parcel suitable for a community garden or farm?

- Is this parcel suitable for nature observation and educational programs?

Affordable Housing Selection Criteria - Check off and address each criterion as it applies:

- Will this involve the renovation of an existing building?
 - Is the existing building structurally sound?
 - Is the building free of lead paint? Is it free of asbestos, pollutants, and other hazards?
 - Is this a conversion of market rate to affordable housing?
 - Is there Town sewerage? If not, is the septic system in compliance with Title 5?
 - Does the proposed building or renovation comply with building, sanitary and accessibility codes?
 - Is this a tax title property?

- Does this project involve the building of a new structure? If so,
 - Will the structure be built on tax title property, on Town owned land or donated land?
 - Will the building be free of environmental hazards?
 - Are there programs such as Habitat for Humanity involved?
 - Will the project be built on a previously developed site?

- Does the project provide housing that is similar in design and scale with the surrounding community?

- Does this serve the 60% income level population? Does this serve the 80% income level population?

- Is long-term affordability assured? Will this be geared to one age group?

- Will there be more than two bedrooms? Will there be multiple units?

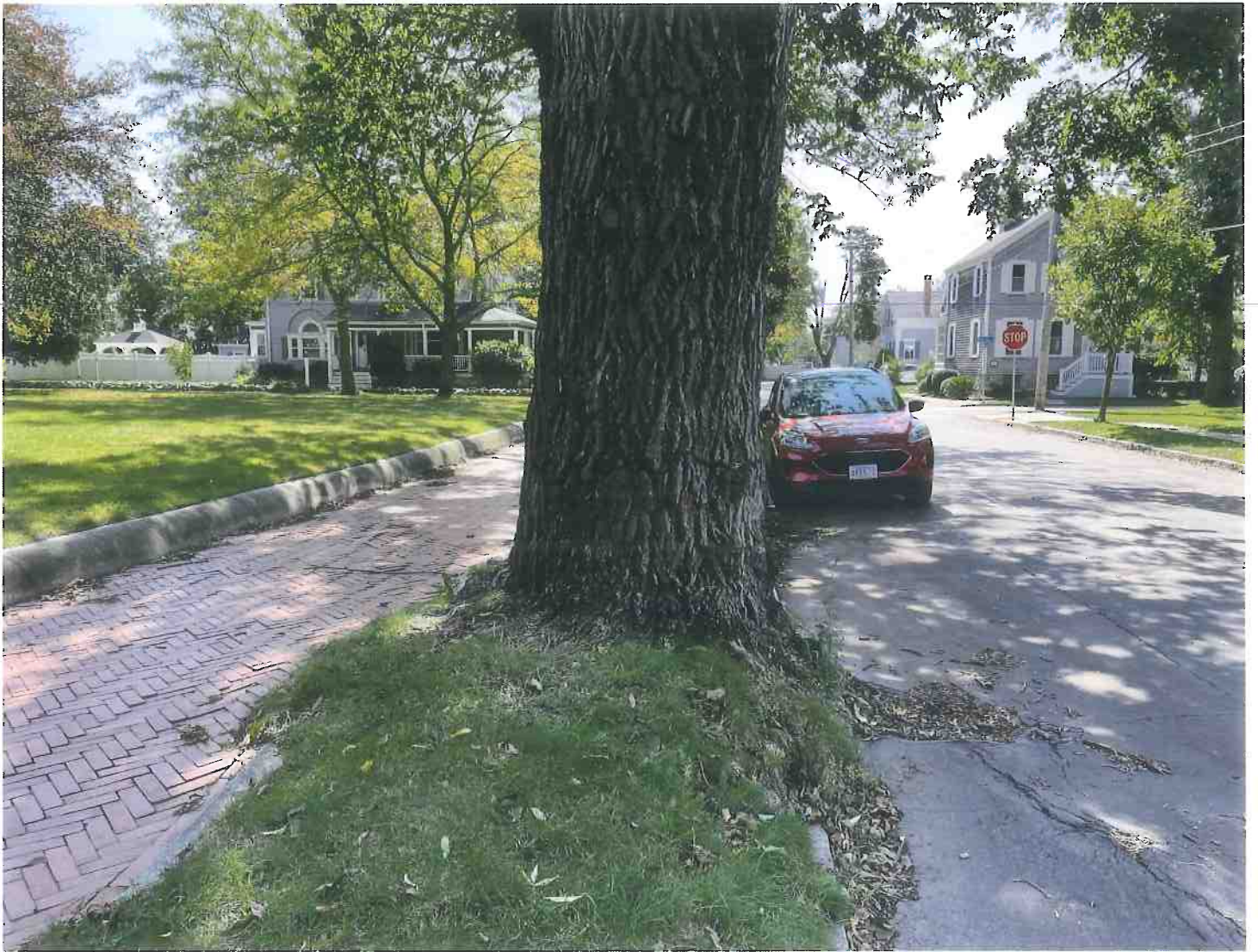
- Will it be located near services such as grocery, mass transit, etc.?

- Will priority be given to local residents or employees of local businesses?

- Will the project incorporate solar power or renewable energy?









Walnut Street between Center and Union Sidewalk Average Quote

Brick Work	\$ 110,000.00
Curb Work	\$ 17,000.00
ADA Ramps	\$ 17,000.00
Hand Work	\$ 11,000.00
General Conditions	\$ 20,000.00
Total	\$ 175,000.00
