

CSS Champions Workshop Recommendations by MPIC Focus Area

		pilot project opportunity?	complete in 1-2 years?	priority	impact	cost	focus area
Maine Street							
1	Make changes to the travelway of Maine Street (curb to curb) to increase space for pedestrians and streetscape amenities and encourage slower vehicular travel speeds.	Y		H	H	M	PED/VEHICULAR
	Reduce the width of travel lanes.						
	Add a median or islands.						
	Add sidewalk bump-outs into Maine Street.						
	Reduce the number of travel lanes.						
2	Improve intersections to enhance pedestrian comfort, safety and efficiency as well as improving vehicular traffic flow.			H	H	H	PED/VEHICULAR
	Consider incorporating pedestrian crossing signals into the standard signal timing at signalized intersections rather than using pedestrian activated signals.						
	Consider a Roundabout at the intersection of Maine and Cabot/ramp from Route 1, and Mason Street.						
	A roundabout at Maine and Inner Pleasant is recommended.						
3	Establish designated space in the right-of-way for cyclists in order to encourage cycling but discourage people from cycling on the sidewalk.	Y	Y	M	M	L	PED/VEHICULAR
	Create designated on-street bike lanes, either standard or parking protected.						
	Designate the outer travel lanes as sharrows (shared bike and vehicular lanes).						
4	Encourage sidewalk, building and amenity design and layout that support a continuous and vibrant sidewalk space that is welcoming, comfortable, and usable for pedestrians.		Y	H	H	varies	VISUAL QUALITY
	Encourage building facade improvements that increase enclosure, transparency, human scale, imageability, and complexity.						
	Incorporate art and design into standard streetscape elements such as lights and trash receptacles.						
	Narrow entrances to side streets using bump outs or other design features where they meet Maine street.						
	Place amenities on the sidewalk to respect human scale and use of the sidewalk.						
5	Ensure that changes enhance the street's function and experience in all seasons.			M	M	M	PED/VEHICULAR
	Enable snow removal and storage of snow in all design options for Maine Street.						
6	Improve access and wayfinding to parking and destinations on adjacent streets			M	H	M	MARKETING
	Install pedestrian-oriented wayfinding signs that direct people to and inform people about key downtown destinations.						
	Enhance pedestrian connections between Maine Street and adjacent streets.						
	Install signs that direct drivers to convenient parking off Maine street.						

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7	Apply Power of Ten principles to create several gathering places along Maine Street. Capitalize on opportunities to build off of existing destinations and create new destinations of a variety of types along Maine Street.	Y	Y	H	H	varies	GENERAL
	Focus initial improvements around existing destinations.						
	Consider obtaining the now vacant lot at Maine and Mason to convert it to public space.						
	Transform the municipal parking lot at the intersection of Maine and Pleasant Streets into a temporary plaza to serve as a gathering point in this well-traveled area.						
	Town Hall Place with a temporary garden plaza featuring outdoor seating.						
<i>Mill Street</i>							
1	Implement streetscape improvements on the eastbound section between Cushing and Maine Streets.		Y				VISUAL QUALITY
2	Enhance the intersection at Mill and Cushing street where Mill street diverges from route 1 to create a gateway, slow traffic and make it easier and safer for pedestrians to cross Route 1.			H	M	H	PED/VEHICULAR
<i>Cushing Street</i>							
1	Improve and widen the sidewalks for pedestrians.		Y	M	M	M	PED/VEHICULAR
2	Cushing street shopping center: turn a strip mall into a neighborhood village.			M	H	H	NEIGHBORHOOD
3	Improve connections and wayfinding for pedestrians and cyclists to surrounding neighborhood destinations, particularly Davis park.		Y	M	M	L	NEIGHBORHOOD
<i>Inner Pleasant Street</i>							
1	Return inner Pleasant Street to two-way traffic.	Y	Y	H	H	L	PED/VEHICULAR
2	Explore ways to incorporate and improve facilities for pedestrians and cyclists on Inner Pleasant Street.	Y	Y	H	H	varies	PED/VEHICULAR
3	Keep Driveways as narrow as possible and minimize curb radii at their entrances.			H	M	M	PED/VEHICULAR
4	Improve signage and Wayfinding.		Y	M	M	M	MARKETING
5	Explore the benefits and costs of putting utilities on inner pleasant street underground.			L	M	H	VISUAL QUALITY
<i>Looking beyond the study area</i>							
1	Extending walkability improvements to outer Pleasant	Y		H	H	varies	PED/VEHICULAR
2	Roundabout at Outer Pleasant & Mill			M	H	H	PED/VEHICULAR
<i>Process and Policy recommendations</i>							
1	Establish a parking and traffic committee		Y	H	H	L	MPIC
2	Continue education & outreach to the public, business owners, and town council members		Y	H	H	L	GENERAL/MARKETING