

TOWN OF SUDBURY COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

PROJECT SUBMISSION FORM

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Submission Date: 10/29/2014

Group or Committee Affiliation (if any): Town of Sudbury

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Purpose (please select all that apply):

- X Open Space
- Community Housing
- X Historic
- X Recreation

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Project Name: Town Center Landscaping and Historic Restoration – Part 2

Project Description: See attached

Costs:

Fiscal Year	Total Project Cost	CPC Funds Requested	Other Funding Sources (amount and source)
2016	~\$2 million	\$100,000	Remainder of project funding from town funds, CPA funds and Chapter 90.
2017			
2018			
2019			
2020			
Total	~\$2 million	\$100,000	

How does this project meet the General Criteria and Category Specific Criteria for CPC projects (see attached)? See attached

Does this project fall within the jurisdiction or interest of other Town Boards, Committees or Departments? If so, please list the boards, committees or departments, whether applications and/or presentations have been made, and what input or recommendations have been given.

- Sudbury Center Improvement Advisory Committee - supports
- Board of Selectmen – supports
- Sudbury Historical Commission – requesting review
- Park & Recreation Commission – requesting review

For Community Preservation Committee Use:

Form Received on: _____
Reviewed by: _____

Project Presented to CPC on: _____
Determination: _____

Project Description:

The Town has recognized the need to improve the Town Center intersection. For over 7 years, the Town has been engaged in a process of concept design and planning, up to engineering design and funding for reconstruction of the intersection. Construction is due to start in the near future. The final piece of this project is the historic restoration and landscaping of the Town Center to make it usable and accessible by residents and visitors.

The 2013 Annual Town Meeting appropriated \$100,000 of CPA funds for this phase of the project. The original request at that time was for \$200,000. This CPC proposal requests funding for the remainder of the needed funds to complete the landscaping and restoration phase of the project. The items to be installed with the funds include landscaping, decorative walkways, ornamental lighting, and other site improvements to enhance the historic nature and open space qualities of the area. A landscape plan will be created, after public discussion, to determine specifically what improvements will be installed, and a cost estimate will be determined. Any funds appropriated but not used will be returned to the CPA fund at a future Town Meeting.

A mixture of town and state funds will be used for the project, including \$700,000 from a capital exclusion, Chapter 90 funds and CPA funds.

CPC General Criteria

- This proposal is eligible for Community Preservation Act (CPA) funding according to the requirements described in the CPA legislation.
- The proposal to improve the Town Center and enhance historical assets is consistent with the town's Master Plan, and is noted in the Transportation Element of the Master Plan. The Sudbury Town Center is a Priority Heritage Landscape in the 2006 Heritage Landscape Report. This designation is defined as special places created by human interaction with the natural environment that help define the character of a community and reflect its past - "The Town Center is historically and architecturally rich with resources that convey a sense of the evolution of the community."
- This proposal is supported by the Department of Public Works, the Board of Selectmen, the Planning Board, First Parish of Sudbury, Sudbury Historical Commission, Conservation Commission and Historic Districts Commission. All of these boards, except the Conservation, are represented on the Sudbury Center Improvement Advisory Committee.
- This proposal seeks to preserve the essential character of the town as described in the Master Plan.
- This proposal serves more than one CPA purpose as it will create additional open space and recreational opportunities in addition to preserving significant historical assets in the Town Center.
- Additional funding sources are part of the construction budget for the project, including capital expenses from the town budget and Chapter 90 road funding.
- The project has leveraged other private funds with the initial \$50,000 grant from the Sudbury Foundation.
- This proposal will preserve owned town assets, including the Hosmer House, Heritage Park, Grinnell Park and the land in front of Town Hall.

Open Space Criteria

- This proposal will preserve and enhance Sudbury's rural character by creating additional opportunities for open space and recreation in the Town Center;
- This proposal will provide opportunities for passive recreation and environmental education by creating a historic walking trail in the Town Center;
- This proposal will provide connections with existing trails or potential trail linkages within and from Heritage Park, the town cemeteries and abutting open lands;
- This proposal will preserve scenic views and create historical landscapes in the Town Center;
- This proposal borders a scenic road (Concord Road);

Historical Criteria:

- Protect, preserve, enhance, restore and/or rehabilitate historic, cultural, architectural or archaeological resources of significance, especially those that are threatened; and in the case of proposals on private property, the proposal and/or proponent meet certain economic criteria as may be required by the Community Preservation Committee;
- This proposal enhances and restores town-owned properties and features of historical significance within the historic Town center, including Town Hall and the town common;
- This proposal is within the Sudbury Center Historic District;
- This project demonstrates a public benefit in the construction of a safer intersection for all Sudbury residents; and
- Project demonstrates the ability to provide permanent protection for maintaining the historic resource; and in the case of proposals on private property, the proposal and/or proponent have demonstrated additional protective measures and have met additional criteria, as may be imposed by the Community Preservation Committee, to ensure the continued permanent protection of the historic resource.

Recreation Criteria:

- This proposal will expand the range of recreational opportunities available to Sudbury residents of all ages by creating new recreational opportunities in the Town Center;
- This proposal will jointly benefit Conservation Commission and Park and Recreation Commission initiatives by promoting passive recreation on town owned property in the center; and
- This proposal will maximize the utility of land already owned by Sudbury, including Heritage Park and the cemeteries in the Town Center.