

TOWN OF SUDBURY COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

PROJECT SUBMISSION FORM

Submitter: Town Manager

Submission Date: 10/29/15

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 3

Project Description: See attached

Costs:

Fiscal Year	Total Project Cost	CPC Funds Requested	Other Funding Sources (amount and source)
2017	\$300,000	\$100,000	\$200,000 previously funded from CPA funds (2013 and 2015)
2018			
2019			
2020			
2021			
Total	\$300,000	\$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 – requesting review
- Sudbury Historical Commission – requesting review
- Historic Districts 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 Center intersection project is nearly complete, and portions of the historic restoration and landscaping have been commenced. However, the funds appropriated to date are insufficient to complete the design plan. There have been 2 funding appropriations for this project - \$100,000 in 2013 and \$100,000 in 2015. These funds have been used for (or allocated for) the landscape design plan, removal of trees in the center, installation of plantings in Grinnell Park, relocation of the stone wall at Grinnell Park, purchase and installation of new street lighting in the project area, installation of new amenities on the Town Common, installation of irrigation on the Town Common, and construction of a new walkway, stone wall and granite steps at Town Hall.

The landscape plan and budget prepared by our consultant, Sudbury Design Group, indicates the need for additional funds. Specifically, the following work is anticipated if additional funds are approved: additional plantings around the project area as shown on the landscape plan, brick paving at the crosswalk on Concord Road and around the War Memorial in Grinnell Park, brick gathering area in front of Town Hall, installation of granite benches in the project area.

This CPC proposal requests the final funding appropriation needed to complete the landscaping and restoration phase of the project. Any funds appropriated but not used will be returned to the CPA fund at a future Town Meeting.

Completing the Town Center as envisioned will create a safe and enjoyable area for all Sudbury residents, and will be a welcoming area for tourists seeking to appreciate Sudbury's history.

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."
- The overall Town Center project has been 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 Commission, 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 have been 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, the Town Common 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.

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, Grinnell Park and the cemeteries in the Town Center.