Gates Street Background

• Decades long history of deterioration and concerns
• 2013 – 2016: Knight Consulting prepared ‘Report of Structural and Geotechnical Investigation’ including options for repair
• 2018: Gates Street closed from Maplewood to Fairview
• 2019: Wall monitored for movement, showed no movement. Gates Street re-opened to one-way downhill
• 2021: Wall monitoring restarted, showed movement. Gates Street closed. Town engaged with Dufresne Group to evaluate feasibility of moving waterline off Gates Street
Why are we here tonight?

Our goal this evening is to hold a community discussion and listening session with the intent of determining an informed construction project at an upcoming Selectboard meeting.

The following slides will be present the three basic options for Gates Street and Fairview Terrace repairs identified in the Knight Report.
Gates Street Closure Option

- Full closure of Gates Street to vehicular traffic
- This option allows for stabilizing the retaining walls, stabilizing the underground utilities, and installing a pedestrian pathway
- Estimated at $1,060,000 in 2013 dollars
- Timeline: Construction could optimistically be completed by 2023 with funding in place
- Opportunities: Less (or no) impact to space requiring easements, lowest cost, shortest timeline, opportunity to increase green space
- Barriers: Permanent closure of the road may not be appealing to all
Gates Street One Way Option

- Construct Gates Street for one way traffic with a pedestrian walkway. Knight proposes using a signal to control traffic.
- This option allows for stabilizing the retaining walls, stabilizing the underground utilities, and installing a pedestrian pathway.
- Estimated at $1,787,000 in 2013 dollars.
- Timeline: Construction could optimistically be completed by 2024 with funding in place.
- Opportunities: Provides safe pedestrian access, potentially allows for traffic controls to allow access both ways.
- Barriers: Likely requires easements, higher price, likely longer timeline for design and construction.
Gates Street Full Reopen Option

- Completely reopen Gates to two way traffic with pedestrian access
- The report outlines multiple ways this could be achieved option allows for stabilizing the retaining walls, stabilizing the underground utilities, and installing a pedestrian pathway
- Estimated at $1,962,000 to $3,151,000 in 2013 dollars
- Timeline: Construction could optimistically be completed by 2025 with funding in place
- Opportunities: Provides safe pedestrian access, allows full traffic flow in both directions with adequate lane width
- Barriers: Likely requires easements, highest price range, longer timeline for design and construction, will require easements and/or property acquisition
QUESTIONS / COMMENTS