

MEMO

To: Michael Bettencourt, Chairman, Select Board

From: Winchester Chamber Downtown Planning Committee

RE: Immediate Parking Mitigation Plan

Date: February 22, 2021

At the request of the Town Manager, the Winchester Chamber Downtown Planning Committee offers the following recommendations to the Select Board for immediate parking mitigation action in Winchester Center to alleviate the loss of spaces from the MBTA construction project and imminent outdoor dining season.

1. Enforce 2-hour parking in the Waterfield lot.
2. Carry on with enforcement of parking regulations in the center, particularly in the one-hour zones.
3. Limit pickup spaces to shared spaces within geographical areas, no multiple spaces per business.
4. Convert a portion of the Jenks lot dedicated to town hall employee parking to two-hour parking for shoppers, relocate town hall employees to nearby streets.
5. Convert all east side Mystic Valley Parkway spaces in front of Manchester Field (13 spaces) from restricted time parking (No Parking Before 9 AM) to two hour parking and line and mark spaces.
6. Convert all west side Mystic Valley Parkway spaces in front of Manchester Field (43 spaces) from restricted time parking (No Parking Before 9 AM) to two hour parking or Town Center Employee parking and line and mark spaces.
7. Relocate 10 Lincoln Teacher parking spots on Mystic Valley Parkway into the neighborhood streets and convert 10 spaces to 2 hour parking.
8. Line and mark the 11 spaces on Church Street near School Street as two hour parking
9. Authorize Town Engineer to work with Chamber of Commerce to identify additional street parking options for public along Mystic Valley Parkway/Mt. Vernon Street and up Church Street nearest the center with designated signage and spaces for consumer parking and Town Center Employee Parking and;
10. Additional signage directing consumers and employees to parking areas and engage in a parking awareness campaign.