

MEMORANDUM

TO: Cape Elizabeth Town Council
FROM: Maureen O'Meara, Town Planner
DATE: August 3, 2020
SUBJECT: Grant authorization, Shore Rd Rehabilitation Preliminary Design

Introduction

The Town Council received a presentation at the September 4, 2019 workshop on the proposed Shore Road rehabilitation project, which would overhaul Shore Rd from the South Portland boundary to the main entrance at Fort Williams.

https://www.capeelizabeth.com/council_packets/2019/09-04-2019%20Workshop/2019-08-23%20Shore%20Road%20Submittal.pdf

The next step is to contract for preliminary engineering design. PACTS is accepting grant applications (due August 17, 2020) to fund design projects and staff is requesting authorization to apply for the grant.

Summary of Project

This section of Shore Road has not had significant upgrades in decades. Elements guiding the design include:

- Pedestrian and bicycle safety, including addition of a sidewalk on the west (land) side of Shore Rd and crosswalks at locations where sight distance safety standards can be met.
- Drainage improvements
- Utility replacement/Upgrades.¹
- Mid-level pavement and sub-base improvements
- Access Management

Based on a cost estimate from Sebago Technics plus contingency (10%), staff recommends that a grant application for \$172,000 be submitted, with a 25% match provided by the town in the amount of \$43,000.

In this grant round, \$200,000 is available and 7 projects have been identified. If funding is awarded, the Town Council would be asked to formally accept the grant offer.

Recommendation

The Cape Elizabeth Town Council authorizes a grant application for Preliminary Engineering Design for the Shore Road Rehabilitation Project.

¹The Portland Water District has programmed replacement of 5,000' of water main dating to 1904. The District is very interested in partnering with the Town's road project and has programmed 1.7 million in its CIP for the project.