

Access Road Reconstruction and Parking at CCHS

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Article 16 requests approval for funds for the following on the CCHS Campus

- Reconstruct the access road
- Install lighting along the access road
- Repair sidewalks and curbing
- Create additional parking

Overview







Gale also evaluated the campus access road as part of the campus feasibility study

- Thoreau Street entrance is in poor condition with cracks and patches through the extent of the apron
- Significant ponding with damaged, cracked, and uneven pavement at the Walden Street entrance
- The entire length of the access road has alligator cracks, patches, and potholes
- Tensile strength of the access road is failing and there may be a substandard base material
- Sidewalks and curbing are cracked and in need of replacement

Access Road Reconstruction





Broken and spalled pavement on sidewalks

Sunk utility covers

Multiple patches and significant cracking

<u>Concerns have continued regarding the safety of the road and the</u> <u>sidewalks and limited ADA Accessibility</u>

Access Road Reconstruction





Multiple patches and significant cracking



Gale Associates' study provided the specifications to bring road into compliance

- Reconstruction includes new gravel subbase, compaction, and paving of road
- Reconstruction includes new granite curbing, ADA curb cuts, lighting, and drainage improvements
- Estimated cost is \$1,224,812

Background



2015 April

- Moved into new CCHS building
- Demolition of old building begins
- Old parking lot still in use

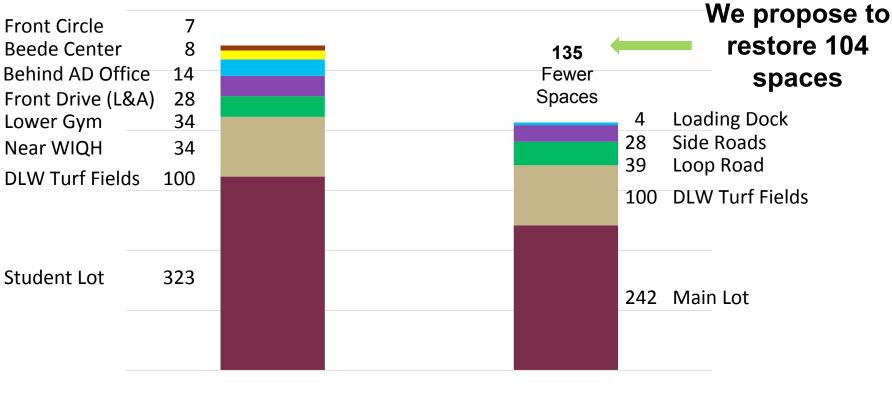
2015 November

- New parking lot comes online
- Remediation of old parking lot begins
- Campus has <u>135 fewer</u> parking spaces
- Has resulted in considerable stress for families and administration

Parking



Parking Spaces – Old vs. New CCHS



Old CCHS Total = 548 New CCHS Total = 413

Parking



Since 2015, multiple actions have been taken to overcome the parking deficit

SC urged a "wait and see" approach
Management
Faculty parking moved to upper turf lot

- School rented spaces from Beede Center
- Spaces were number to improve enforcement
- Carpool challenge was promoted

Parking



Since 2015, much consideration has been given to considering options for the campus

Campus Planning

- Campus Advisory Committee formed in 2017
- Campus Oversight Committee formed in 2018
- Gale Associates engaged to conduct feasibility study in 2018
- Campus Sustainability Committee formed 2019



Despite best efforts, parking capacity remains inadequate

- Many drivers (juniors) no longer can have spaces
- Students arrive extra early to grab spots; defeats the purpose of the later start time
- Lack of visitor spaces results in taking of student spaces (IEP Meeting, PA Meetings, Ed Fund Meetings)
- Insufficient capacity for large community events
- Continued stress for students and families
- Huge distraction and time consumer for administration



Why must students drive to school? Why can't they take the late bus?

- Off campus sports CCHS teams hockey, fencing and golf
- After school jobs
- Caring for siblings (especially single parent households)
- Club sports soccer, cross-country skiing, rowing, fencing, etc
- Music lessons and performances often in Boston
- Parking cannot continue to be treated only as a privilege



Gale Associates' study proposed a location and size of a future parking lot

- 104 additional spaces
- Estimated cost of \$790,903
- Would not impede future development of a track and field on the remediated landfill site
- Would not impede future development of an amenities building

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- School Committee is requesting \$2,000,000 to complete both projects
- Actual costs could be less. CCRSD will only borrow an amount necessary to fund actual project costs with debt service commencing in FY21
- While the estimates Gale provided for both were stand alone, combining Parking and Access Road Reconstruction provides economies of scale
- Based on FY20 assessment ratios and a 10 year repayment schedule, estimated FY21 assessment impact are:

\$210,700 for Concord \$69,300 for Carlisle

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Access Road Reconstruction Restore 104 Parking Spaces Total \$ 1,224,812* <u>\$ 790,903*</u> \$ 2,015,715

*The estimates Gale provided for both of these projects were stand alone projects. We believe combining Parking and Access Road Reconstruction provides economies of scale and will result in savings