HEARINGS, MEETINGS, LICENSES

2/9/15

DRAFT Goals and Objectives for the 2015 Regional Transportation Plan

The Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD) seeks input regarding the update of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). As a recipient of Federal Highway Administration (FWHA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funds through the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT), SRPEDD strives to maintain a comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing transportation planning process as part of the Southeastern Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (SMMPO). The SMMPO is responsible for transportation policy and federal resource allocations in this region. The development and update of the RTP is part of this effort.

This RTP is an assessment of the transportation system that includes the cost to maintain this system into the future. The RTP update will continue to outline changes to adapt to a sustainable future by addressing the needs of today without jeopardizing the capability to maintain the system tomorrow. This update will also include assessments based on performance measures to ensure that transportation investments address issues that are cost effective and implemented in a timely manner. The RTP contributes to a comprehensive vision for the future of this region in addition to the goals and guidelines outlined in federal and state legislation.

Establishing a vision for transportation, expressed with goals and objectives, is the initial step in the update of the RTP. Federal and state guidelines established in the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) are designed to incorporate local, regional and statewide goals and objectives through public participation. Although MAP-21 covers many of these principles, it is important to gain public input on the goals and objectives as they apply to southeastern Massachusetts. SRPEDD asks for your input as we begin the update of the Regional Transportation Plan for 2015.

DRAFT VISION STATEMENT

The Southeastern Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization envisions a transportation system that integrates elements of "Smart Growth" planning. Specifically, the SMMPO intends to consider elements that preserve what is best about southeastern Massachusetts while promoting alternative modes of transportation, economic development, mobility, and safety throughout the entire transportation system. These planning efforts have evolved into the regional policies adopted by SRPEDD communities as part of the Priority Development Areas and Priority Protection Areas, to make this region an attractive place to work and live.

DRAFT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Safety

- **Goal:** To achieve a significant reduction in traffic fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads.
- **Objectives:** Reduce the number and severity of motor vehicle, bicycle and pedestrian crashes; reduce serious injuries and fatalities associated with all modes of transportation.

System Preservation

- **Goal:** Promote the continued maintenance of the transportation system in a state of good repair.
- **Objectives:** Identify projects that address and repair federal aid eligible bridges and roads to an acceptable state of good repair; maintain, replace, or upgrade public transit systems; improve the on- and off-system facilities for bicycle and pedestrian use; continue to monitor transportation facilities subject to damage resulting from sea level rise, flooding, and other hazards.

Congestion Reduction

• **Goal:** Promote the reduction of congestion and delay for all modes of transportation.

• **Objectives:** Reduce delay through improvements to the transportation network; improve connectivity and reliability for alternative modes of transport; promote and develop ridesharing alternatives; support implementation of South Coast Rail to the region.

System Reliability

• **Goal:** To improve the efficiency of the transportation system while promoting transit, bicycling, and pedestrian alternatives.

• **Objectives:** Promote a reduction in automobile dependency with expansion of alternative transportation within and outside the SRPEDD region; continue support of transit, bicycling, and pedestrian improvements in the four cities and throughout the region; expand connectivity between the cities and the frequency of transit service; promote complete streets design with transportation improvements; promote multimodal connectivity at transit/MBTA stations; implement South Coast Rail service to the region.

Environmental Sustainability

• **Goal:** To enhance and preserve the transportation system while protecting the natural environment.

• **Objectives:** Promote the reduction Greenhouse Gas (GHGs) generated by all transportation modes; promote GHG reductions for Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) projects; promote methods to reduce negative impacts to the transportation system that are subject to sea level rise, flooding, and other natural hazards.

Economic Vitality and Freight Movement

• **Goal:** To improve the freight transportation network, strengthen the ability of communities to access national and international trade markets, and support regional economic development.

• **Objectives:** Promote the reduction of delay and the preservation of major bridges and roads used for freight movement and the commuting population; promote connectivity and enhanced rail networks to the region's ports for freight movement; continued support of Priority Development Areas established with the South Coast Rail planning effort; promote alternative modes of freight movement to the region.

Reduced project delivery delays

• **Goal:** Reduce project costs, promote jobs and the economy, and expedite the movement of people and goods. Accelerate project completion by elimination of delays in the project development and delivery process, the reduction of regulatory burdens, and improvement of agencies' work practices.

• **Objectives:** Continued support of the Accelerated Bridge Program; continue to educate communities on the TIP process; encourage projects that seek alternative funding with flexible design criteria to expedite implementation; develop TIP evaluation criteria/performance measures for project ranking.

What is next?

Over the next few months, SRPEDD staff will engage elected officials, committees, advisory groups and the general public throughout the region for input on transportation needs. We ask for assistance with this public outreach to ensure that the Regional Transportation Plan addresses the needs of all users in southeastern Massachusetts.

Please visit our website, www.srpedd.org, for more information on the Regional Transportation Plan, provide your comments and to participate in our online survey regarding the transportation needs of the region.

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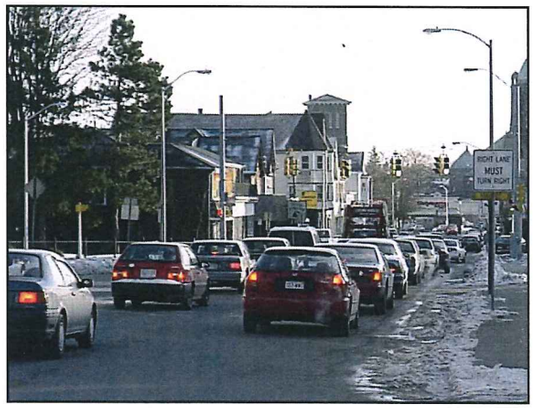

Working toward a better transportation system.

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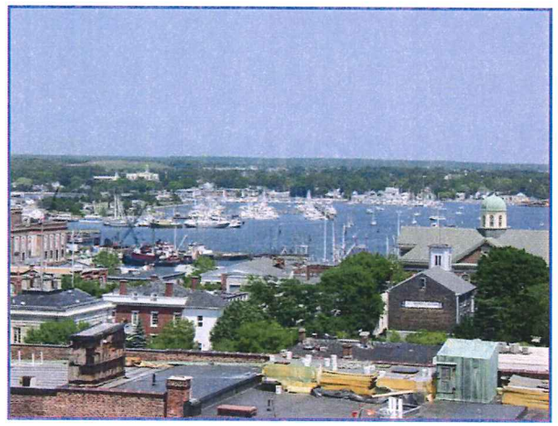

Take Our Brief Survey

www.surveymonkey.com /s/regtransplan

If you drive, ride, fly, bike or walk please take our quick survey and tell us what your needs and wishes are for the transportation system. Thank you!

Share Your Ideas

Your Voice Matters

Regional Transportation Plan

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Attleboro
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Carver
Dartmouth
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Fairhaven
Fall River
Freetown
Lakeville
Mansfield
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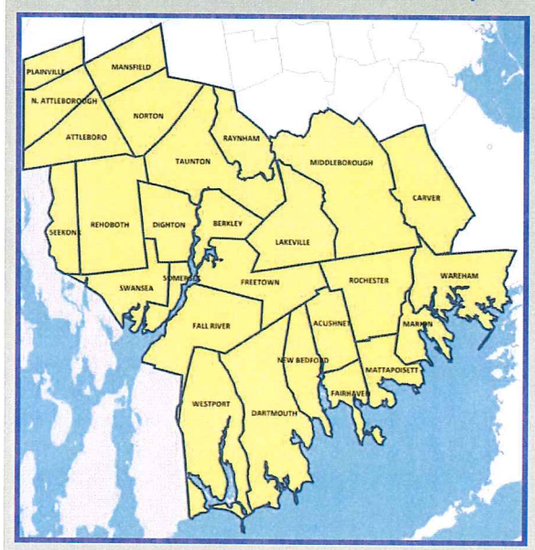

Among our Goals & Objectives-

- Achieve a significant reduction in traffic fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads.

- Repair bridges and roads; upgrade public transit systems; improve facilities for bicycle & pedestrian use.

- Monitor transportation facilities subject to sea level rise, flooding and other hazards.

- Enhance the performance of the transportation system while protecting the natural environment; promote the reduction of Greenhouse Gases.

- Reduce congestion & delay for all transportation modes; promote & implement South Coast Rail service from Boston to our region.

- Improve the freight network, strengthen the ability of communities to access national and international markets and support regional economic development.

- Promote transit, bicycling and walking alternatives to reduce the reliance on automobiles

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February 6, 2015

VIA EMAIL

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John M. Knowlton, Selectman
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Middleborough Board of Selectmen
10 Nickerson Avenue
Middleborough, Massachusetts 02346

RE: Sport, LTD.

Dear Honorable Members of the Board:

Please be advised that Mr. Robert Weaver of Sport, LTD has asked me to represent him in the matter before the Board concerning the number of vehicles on his property. I understand this matter is on your agenda for this Monday, February 9, 2015. Having just been engaged this day, I will request that this matter be continued so that I may have reasonable time to properly prepare for this matter.

I therefore ask that the matter be continued to **Monday, March 9, 2015** or some other date convenient to the Board. I note that I will be out of the state on March 2, 2015.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If any questions and/or concerns arise, please feel free to contact my office.

Sincerely,

John E. Studley, Jr.

JES/cat
cc: Robert Weaver

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Town of Middleborough

Massachusetts

Board of Selectmen

February 2, 2015

Robert Weaver
Robert Weaver d/b/a Sports, Ltd.
539 Wareham Street
Middleborough, MA 02346

Via: Certified Return-Receipt Requested Mail
7013 1710 0000 6697 6035 & U.S. Mail

Dear Mr. Weaver:

The Board of Selectmen hereby notifies you to appear at a hearing before the Board on **Monday, February 9, 2015**, during which time the Board will consider revocation of your Class II Automobile Dealership license for violation of a vehicle limit condition.

The hearing is scheduled for **8:15 PM**, Town Hall, 10 Nickerson Avenue, 1st floor hearing room.

If you have any questions, please contact the Selectmen's office.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jackie Shanley, Executive Assistant
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Enclosures

xc: Board of Selectmen
Town Manager

January 13, 2015

To: Chief Joseph Perkins, all concerned parties

From: Sgt. Todd K. Bazarewsky

Re: Inspection dba Sports Ltd., 539 Wareham St.

1/13/15 at approx. 0930 hrs., Chief Joseph Perkins directed me to conduct an inspection of a used car dealer, dba Sports Ltd. At 539 Wareham st. I arrived at that address at approx.. 0945 and did perform a visual inspection. An employee from that location had arrived just ahead of me and I advised him that I would be taking a "car count."

My findings:

Left side of bldg.: 13 vehicles(1 with dealer plate)

Front bldg..: 1 vehicle(dealer plate)

Right side bldg.: 18 vehicles(including flatbed ramp truck)

Adjacent property: 2 vehicles(no plates, appear unreg. @residence 541 Wareham st. ?) Employee stated that those vehs. belonged to Sports Ltd.

Inside garage: : 2 vehicles

Total vehicles : 36 vehicles

Respectfully submitted,

Sgt. Todd K. Bazarewsky, Middleborough Police

JAN 13th 2015

TOWN MANAGER
TOWN of Middlebough, MA

RECEIVED
JAN 13 2015
TOWN MANAGER'S OFFICE
MIDDLEBOROUGH, MA

Today JAN 13th I had six vehicals on my lot over the 25 car limit due to the fact of four cars in for warranty work a tow truck and 2 mechanics cars. We have since called the owners of the cars that were there for warranty and all vehical have been picked up. The tow truck and vehical on it have also been removed so as of 12 NOON today there are 24 cars on the lot. I have also E-mailed photo's of the lot and how neat we keep it. We have been keeping the 25 car limit in compliance with a few times warranty work comes in unexpectedly. I will stay on top on this situation and watch more carefully the 25 CAR limit.

ROBERT WEAVER
Sports LTD 508-736-5305
E-MAIL photo's to
CLARONIX@Middleboro.com

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

TOWN OF MIDDLEBOROUGH

This is to Certify that a LICENSE is hereby granted to

2015

License #: 58

Issued to: Robert Weaver d/b/a Sports Ltd.

License issued: Class II Dealer License

Location: 539 Wareham Street, Middleborough, MA

Conditions: Chapter 140, Section 59
*25 vehicle limit
*No unregistered vehicles parked or repaired on the street or outside of the property lines;
*No car carriers or wreckers, under your control, parked along the street
*Employee vehicles may not be parked on the street
Hours of operation: Monday - Friday (8 a.m. - 8 p.m.)
Saturday (8 a.m. - 6 p.m.)

****This license is granted in conformity with the Statutes and Ordinances relating thereto, and expires December 31, 2015 unless sooner suspended or revoked.****

Dated: Jan. 2, 2015

FOR THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

Allison J. Ferreira

By: Allison J. Ferreira, Town Clerk
Licensing Authorities

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Selectmen

FROM: Jackie Shanley, Executive Assistant

DATE: 8/8/14

RE: Robert Weaver dba Sports Ltd. Auto Sales - Update

As an update to the discussion had at the Board's 7/28/14 meeting, please find attached correspondence mailed to Mr. Weaver by the Selectmen's office on 7/31/14. This correspondence was mailed by Certified, Return Receipt Requested mail and by U.S. mail. The Selectmen's office has received the Certified receipt/verification that this letter was signed for by someone at Sport's Ltd.

Please note that it was requested of Mr. Weaver that he reply, in writing, to the Board, by 8/6/14. There has been no response received as of 8/8/14.

The Board had received a complaint from Maurice Herring as a customer of Sport's Ltd., against Sport's Ltd. Mr. Herring has since submitted the attached email update to keep the Board informed.

On 7/29/14, the Selectmen's office was notified by the Building Commissioner that Mr. Weaver had a total of forty (40) vehicles parked on the Sport's Ltd. dealership site. Mr. Weaver has a twenty-five (25) vehicle limit as a condition of his Class II Automobile Dealer's license. Mr. Weaver was therefore advised to remove the excess vehicles immediately. As of today, I have not been able to verify if he has complied with the order to remove the excess vehicles. I hope to have an update for the Board at its 8/11/14 meeting.

The Selectmen's office will be sending further correspondence, to Mr. Weaver, requiring him to appear before the Board at its meeting scheduled for 8/25/14 to discuss Mr. Herring's claim and the recent violation of his license conditions.

Attachments (2)

July 31, 2014

Robert Weaver
Robert Weaver d/b/a Sports, Ltd.
539 Wareham Street
Middleborough, MA 02346

Via: Certified Return-Receipt Requested Mail
7013 1710 0000 6697 5939 & U.S. Mail

Dear Mr. Weaver:

Enclosed please find an email dated 7/10/14 from Maurice Herring. Subsequent emails dated 7/21/14 and 7/25/14, updating the Board of Selectmen, are also enclosed.

These emails have been submitted to the Board of Selectmen's office concerning a 2006 V.W. Jetta allegedly purchased by Mr. Herring from you, Robert Weaver, d/b/a Sports, Ltd., 539 Wareham Street, on 6/13/14.

Please review the enclosed correspondence and provide the Board of Selectmen with a written response to Mr. Herring's claims **by August 6, 2014**.

In addition, please be advised that the Board of Selectmen received a report from the Town's Building Commissioner that you have forty (40) vehicles parked on site as of Monday 7/28/14. As you are well aware, you have a twenty five (25) vehicle limit as a condition of your Class II Automobile Dealer's license. The excess vehicles are to be removed immediately.

The Board does not look favorably upon repeated violations of a license or a history of complaints alleging poor business practices. The Board would like you to be aware that it takes these matters seriously when considering licenses for renewal.

If you have any questions, please contact the Selectmen's office.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jackie Shanley, Executive Assistant
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Enclosures

xc: Board of Selectmen
Town Manager
M. Herring

September 3, 2014

Robert Weaver
Robert Weaver d/b/a Sports, Ltd.
539 Wareham Street
Middleborough, MA 02346

Via: Certified Return-Receipt Requested Mail
7013 1710 0000 6697 5960 & U.S. Mail

Dear Mr. Weaver:

In response to your request, the Board of Selectmen agreed to reschedule your appointment to appear before the Board, originally scheduled for 8/25/14.

You are now scheduled to appear before the Board at its **9/15/14** meeting at **8:30 PM**.

If you have any questions, please contact the Selectmen's office.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jackie Shanley, Executive Assistant
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Enclosures

xc: Board of Selectmen
Town Manager
M. Herring

Robert Weaver dba Sport's Ltd. Auto Sales re Class II Automobile Dealer's license-Violations
Mr. Weaver appeared before the Board to answer to repeated violations of having more than the 25 car limit that he is licensed to have on his site. Board made it clear to Mr. Weaver that it will hold a hearing and consider revocation of his license if he violates the conditions of his license again. Mr. Weaver replied that he may have more vehicles on site than the licensed amount some are there for repair work. Board reiterated that it will not tolerate any further violations.

Board reviewed STM Warrant Article #12 – Water Pollution Control Facility.
Upon motion by Selectman McKinnon and seconded by Selectman Knowlton, Board voted unanimously to support this article.

Upon motion by Selectman McKinnon and seconded by Selectman Dalpe, Board voted by Roll Call to go into Executive Session at 9:08 PM to discuss strategy relative to Contract Negotiations (non-union personnel-Police Chief) and not to return into Open Session. Roll Call: S. McKinnon, Yes; L. Dalpe, Yes; A. Frawley, Yes; D. Stewart, Yes; J. Knowlton, Yes. Ended at 9:40 PM.

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Jackie Shanley, Executive Assistant
BOARD OF SELECTMEN