

STAFF REPORT

October 26, 2020

Topic: Request for City Council endorsement to include a proposed roundabout on Rt 106 (Parade Rd) in the 10-year State Highway Plan.

Discussion: The Lakes Region Redevelopment Planning Commission is the agency planning the redevelopment of the former Sate School property on Rt 106 (Parade Rd.). They are proposing a roundabout at the intersection of Parade and Old North Main St. This roundabout needs to be included in the updated proposed 10-year State Highway Plan, and an endorsement of the proposal from the City Council could be important for its inclusion in the plan. The roundabout would be built when the development activity on the site reaches a point where significant traffic is generated. The roundabout would be similar to the one in Meredith at the junction of Rt 106 and Rt 3. The roundabout is proposed at this location because it would be detrimental to traffic flow to have two signalized intersections close to one another, as the signal at Parade and Elm are approximately a half mile away.

Fiscal Impact: There is no fiscal impact to the city as this location is outside the DOT Compact Zone.

Staff Recommendation: The Planning and Public Works Departments recommends approval of the endorsement.

This report submitted by: Dean Trefethen, Planning Director.

Proposed motion: *"I move to have the City Council endorse the concept of roundabout on Rt 106 in front of the former Sate School property for inclusion in the 10-year State Highway Plan."*