



MANCHESTER-BY-THE-SEA
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
Town Hall, 10 Central Street
Manchester-by-the-Sea, Massachusetts 01944-1399

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Board of Selectmen
10 Central Street
Manchester, MA 01944

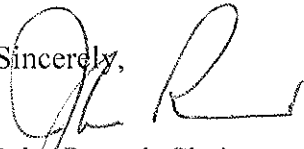
Re: Central Street Bridge Replacement Project

Dear Board of Selectmen:

On behalf of the Historic District Commission ("HDC") of the Town of Manchester-by-the-Sea, I am writing to show support for the Central Street Bridge Replacement Project. Mr. Nate Desrosiers of the Town Department of Public Works staff, preliminarily reviewed certain aesthetic details, such as railing and wall treatments with the Commission at its meeting on March 28, 2019. We understand that the overall project includes removal of the tide gate, replacement of the Central Street Bridge, new abutment walls and other related structural improvements. We also understand that these improvements are partially funded by a grant from the MassDOT Small Bridge program, and that the design is subject to applicable MassDOT bridge design standards. We look forward to working with the DPW to ensure that the furnishings will be consistent with the setting of the historic district.

The Central Street Bridge is listed as non-contributing to the Manchester Village Historic District on the National Register of Historic Places inventory; and, as such, the proposed project as presented is not anticipated to affect known historical properties. In addition, the furnishings as presented to the Commission appear to be generally consistent with the setting of the historic district.

Sincerely,


John Round, Chairman
On Behalf of the Historic District Commission

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cc: Mr. Gregory Federspiel, Town Administrator
Mr. Charles Dam, Director, Department of Public Works
✓ Mr. Nate Desrosiers, Project and Facilities Manager, Department of Public Works