

# Western Avenue Reconstruction Advisory Committee meeting #2 March 16, 2010



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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Environmental &  
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# Welcome

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## Agenda

- History slideshow by Charles Sullivan
- Community goals
- Stormwater
- Existing conditions presentation
- *Group feedback session*
- Public comment period
- Wrap-up, next steps

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# Slideshow

**Charles Sullivan**  
Executive Director  
Cambridge Historical Commission

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# Working Session

## Community goals

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## Surface design: Preliminary project goals

- Ensure corridor is safe for all users
- Maintain adequate traffic flow
- Reinforce residential character
- Appropriate traffic speed
- Improve conditions for walking, bicycling, and transit riders
- Provide disability access
- Improve access to businesses
- Help meet stormwater environmental goals through “low impact designs”
- Provide adequate parking
- Environmental sustainability

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# Existing Conditions

**Jerry Friedman (HDR Engineering)**

**Rod Emery (Jacobs Engineering)**

**Jeff Rosenblum (City of Cambridge)**

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## Mobility on Western Avenue



Transit riders



People on foot



Bicyclists



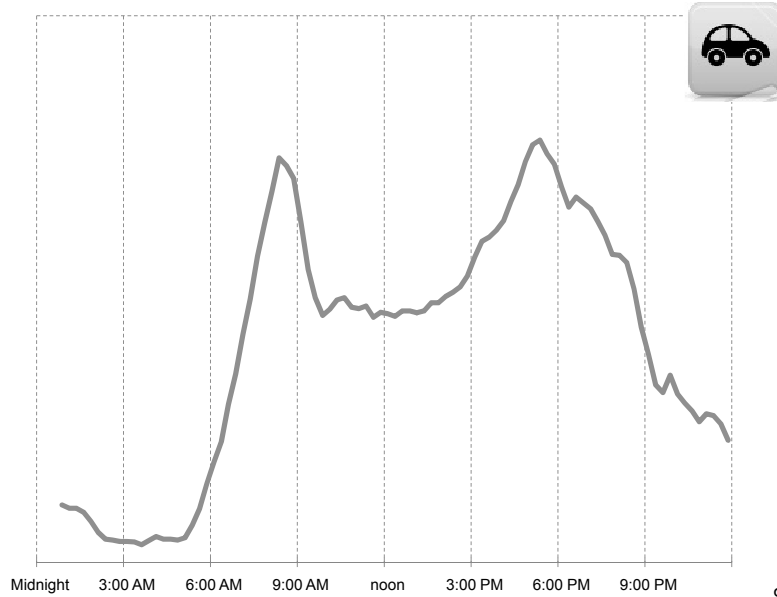
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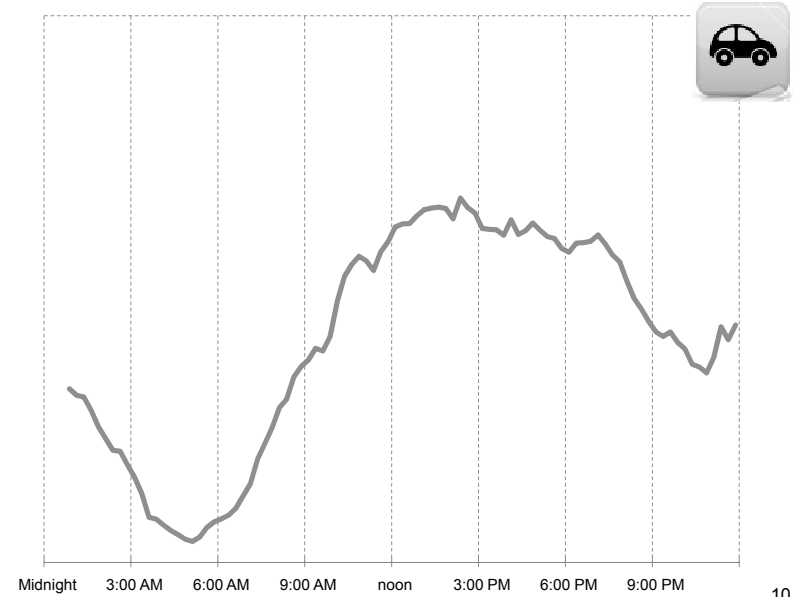
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## WEEKDAY: traffic in 24 hour period



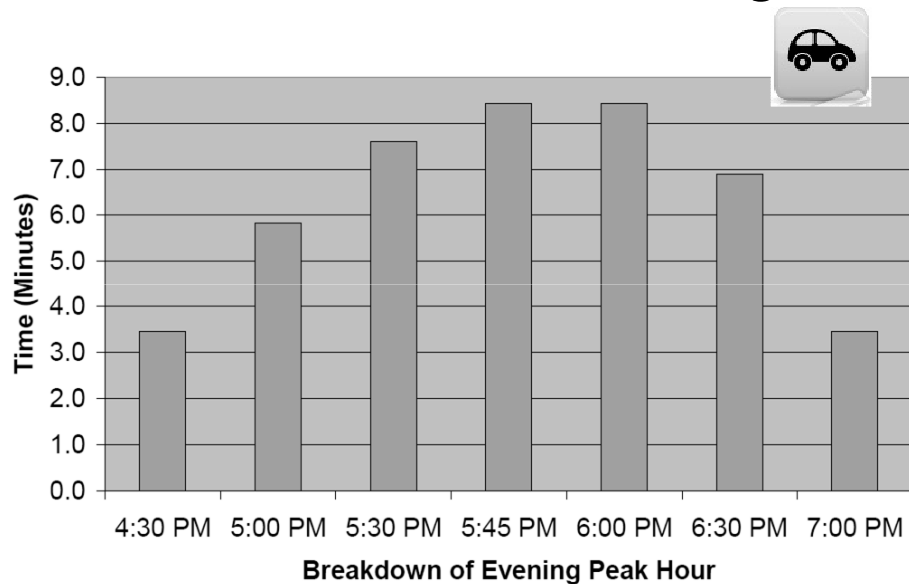
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## SATURDAY: traffic in 24 hour period



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## Travel times: Green St. to the bridge



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## Vehicle speeds

- 32 MPH (85<sup>th</sup> Percentile Speed)
- Street speed limit is 25 MPH



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# Working Session

**Feedback session**

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## Next meetings

Community-wide Meeting:

- Wednesday March 31 (7-9 pm)

Advisory Committee Meetings:

- Meeting #3: Thursday April 15 (6-8 pm)
  - Meeting #4: Tuesday April 27 (6-8 pm)
- (All meetings at the Citywide Senior Center)

Neighborhood walk:

- Monday April 5 @ 6pm (Meet @ Andala)

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# Adjourn

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