

# Washington Street Vision

Supportive Design Elements	Not Supportive Design Elements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Wide sidewalks with trees, lights, and benches to enable people to enjoy the street</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wide roads that can't be crossed, contribute to speeding and are dangerous for pedestrians</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Efficiently managed street parking in village centers to facilitate thriving businesses and slow vehicles</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A sea of parking lots that make uninteresting and unsafe walking environment</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Narrowed and/or reduced number of travel lanes, crosswalks, bumpouts and/or signal equipment to increase safety and enable safe street crossings</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimal trees and greenery, adds to the heat island effect and polluted air</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Bike, pedestrian and transit-friendly design to reduce vehicle trips</b></li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Traffic calming on residential side streets to discourage cut throughs and speeding</li> </ul>	



# Albemarle Traffic Calming

- Key N-S greenway connecting Washington St to the Charles River bike path
- Serves multiple schools, after school programs, recreation destinations
- Subject of several studies, a master plan, extensive input
- Public process to develop the current project, with primarily surface treatments, signage, paint.
  - + Design anticipated late February
  - + Complete Streets Working Group review 3/16
  - + Public meeting estimated 3/27
  - + Advertise for construction by August/September
- Crafts intersection is a related, but distinct MassDOT project

