

Hardwick – LVRT Connector Loop Proposal

Hardwick Planning Commission

Revised and Updated – July 2024

Library project to be complete in the fall ???? Pedestrian Bridge installation to start in July???

1. Remove the centerline from North Main Street. *Time Sensitive.*



"Centerline Removal"

"In Vermont, Class 2 roadways are painted with centerlines. Research indicates that removing the centerline reduces vehicle speeds, making this an essentially free way to slow traffic. Fog lines may be installed to assist in low-visibility conditions.

To be eligible to not have a centerline, a roadway must have an AADT of less than 3,000. Most roads in East Hardwick are likely under this limit.

Town officials would need to request that VTrans not repaint centerlines on desired roadways."

The language cited by Local Motion would preclude the inclusion of North Main and Church Street in Hardwick - they are both over 3,000 AADT each day (last studies).

The Road is being ground down and re-paved (removing the center line again). When???

2. Create a bike lane in the uphill direction on North Main Street – from the Route 15 intersection to the LVRT crossing.



3. Create ample bike parking at the pause park next to the Memorial Park. Encourage bikers to leave their bikes and walk to the downtown. Bike racks?



4. Create and install signage on the LVRT and in the Downtown area directing bikers to the best routes to downtown, bike racks, local businesses, etc.

5. Install sharrows on the downhill lane of North Main Street from the LVRT crossing to the Route 15 intersection.



6. Install bike racks in the Peace Park, adjacent to the Civic Standard.



7. Install bike racks and/or bike corrals near the Hardwick Inn.
8. Remove the crosswalk that currently spans North Main Street near Highland Avenue.
Time Sensitive.

9. Add a crosswalk on North Main Street near the south end of the car bridge. *Time Sensitive.*
10. Add three crosswalks at the intersection of East Church Street/Church Street and North Main Street. A crosswalk currently exists over Church Street by the Municipal Building. *Time Sensitive.*

Add what can happen without the road actions – bike corrals and racks, etc.