Welcome!

Thank you for joining us. Coolidge Square is a vibrant neighborhood with thriving local businesses and institutions. Pedestrians, vehicles, bicyclists, and bus riders must share the space on Mount Auburn Street. The Town of Watertown is hosting this Open House to discuss “Complete Streets” concepts and gather community ideas for Coolidge Square. We encourage you to visit the different stations, speak to the project team and Town staff, and share your ideas with us.

There are discussion questions that correspond to Stations 1 through 5, which you can respond to on the next three pages. At Station 6, there are potential solutions on a map of Coolidge Square for your input. Write comments and draw your ideas on the map! The project team presented recommendations for other segments of the corridor in November 2017, which can be found at Station 7.

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Email: Team@MountAuburnStreet.com
Discussion Questions / Comment Form

Each of the questions below corresponds to a station at the Open House. We encourage you to visit each station before writing your comments. You do not need to answer all of these questions, only the ones that are most important or interesting to you. Please turn this in at the Welcome table before you leave, or you can email (Team@MountAuburnStreet.com) or mail it to us (Watertown Department of Public Works, Attn: Matt Shuman, 124 Orchard Street, Watertown, MA 02472) after the event.

1. Planning

What makes Coolidge Square a special place? __________________________________________________________

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What is missing in Coolidge Square? __________________________________________________________

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2. Traffic and Safety

Which intersections do you think need safety improvements? ____________________________________________

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Which intersections tend to back up more than others, or can be challenging to navigate?

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When do you think Coolidge Square is most congested? ____________________________________________

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How often do you drive on local streets to avoid traffic on Mount Auburn Street (in Coolidge Square)?

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3. **Complete Streets and Pedestrian/Bicycle Issues**

What is it like to walk in Coolidge Square? Are there places that feel unsafe for walking or crossing the street?

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Where would you like to see new crosswalks in Coolidge Square? ________________________________

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How do you typically travel to Coolidge Square?  What is the most common purpose of your visit?

- Drive
- Walk
- Bike
- Ride the Bus
- Carpool
- Other (please list): ________________________

- Shopping/Dining
- Work
- School
- Home
- Church
- Recreation
- Other (please list): ________________________

4. **Parking and Loading**

How difficult or easy is it to find parking in Coolidge Square? ________________________________

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Where and for how long do you typically park when you drive to Coolidge Square? ______________

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How far would you be willing to walk from parked car to your destination? ________________________

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If you own a business, when do you typically receive deliveries? Does this create any problems?

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5. Transit Operations

If you take the bus to/from Coolidge Square, do you use available real-time apps?

☐ Yes
☐ No

Are bus stops conveniently located?

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What improvements or amenities would encourage you to use transit more frequently?

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6. Do you have any other comments to share about the Mount Auburn Street Project at this time?

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Your Information (optional)

NAME ___________________________________________  TITLE ________________________________

ORGANIZATION __________________________________________________________

MAILING ADDRESS __________________________________________________________________________________________

EMAIL ADDRESS ________________________________________________________________

(to receive project updates and notifications for upcoming opportunities to participate)