MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor Brian Pugh; Village Manager Janine King

From: Bicycle Pedestrian Committee

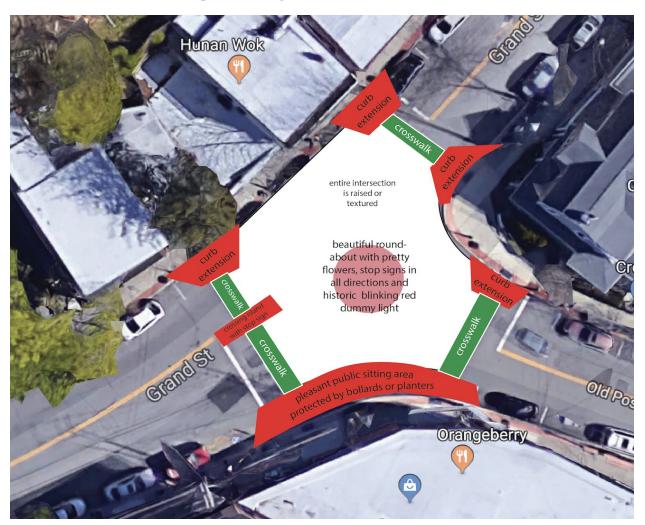
Date: October 7, 2019

Re: Upper Village Traffic Impact Study

The BPC recommends that the Village of Croton proceed with Concept Plan 4, the All-Way Stop Control, outlined in the Upper Village Impact Study, with the following additional recommendations:

1. Shorter crosswalks, with entire intersection raised or textured

2. Curb extensions, with a public sitting area at Grand Street/Old Post Road South:



(Image created by Amos Bloomberg, member of BPC)

To avoid issues with emergency vehicles, the entire section may be raised

To avoid damage to emergency vehicles, the entire intersection, not just the crosswalks, can be raised. A less expensive alternative would be texturing the entire intersection. This option may not be as effective, but in combination with curb extensions, it may not the same result.

Painted sidewalks, with reflective crosswalk lines

An alternative to raising or texturing the intersection is painting crosswalks and outlining them with reflective white lines, which would make them visually distinctive from the surrounding asphalt.

Or, a midstreet sidewalk could be installed, like the one in Peekskill:



Curb extensions do not have to be permanent

The advantage with curb extensions is that they can be done experimentally, and therefore inexpensively, by using paint and glue-down delineators, before investing in more permanent solutions. Also, curb extensions generally do not affect parking.

Some curb extensions can be entirely makeshift, before investing

Most agree that the right turn from Grand Street on to OPRS should be squared off. One recommendation would be to create a makeshift neck-down, constructed out of planters, paint, and a couple of flexible bollards. Here's an example:



What about those bollards?

All bollards are not created equal(ly). But removable ones work well with snow-plowing. And while they are not the most attractive traffic-calming measure, some bollards, like the ones in the picture above, blend in with crosswalks.

Do we need traditional stop signs?

Rather than stop signs at each intersection, why not blinking red lights facing the three directions of the dummy lights, with small stop signs under the blinking lights?