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for consideration by the Apex Town Council

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Item Details

Presenter(s):Jose Martinez, Public Works Director; Shawn Purvis, Assistant Town ManagerDepartment(s):Public Works & Transportation

Requested Motion

Motion to approve closing of sidewalks as identified on the pedestrian safety plan for Highline Building and to temporarily mark three spaces on the west side of Salem St. as a loading zone of 8 am - 5 pm, Mon. - Fri. until the loading zone can reopen on Saunders St.

Approval Recommended?

Yes

<u>Item Details</u>

Construction of a new 3-story building is set to begin soon at the corner of Salem St. and Saunders St. Staff has worked with the developer and contractor to develop a pedestrian plan that ensures safety and accessibility. Project construction is expected to take 11-12 months. The tight quarters for construction necessitate the closing of the sidewalk along Salem adjacent the site during portions of the construction (6 months) and along Saunders for the duration of the construction. Additionally, access for equipment and ensuring safety will require closure of the loading zone spaces along Saunders for the duration of the project. The proposed pedestrian routes are attached. To accommodate the necessary loading zones that support downtown businesses, staff is proposing converting three parking spaces in front of 123-127 Salem St. into a temporary loading zone. The spaces would be for loading 8 am - 5 pm, Monday - Friday, leaving regular parking for evenings and weekends. The 9/11 Memorial will be outside the construction fencing and the contractor is aware of planned events downtown and will schedule their work accordingly to prevent disturbance.

<u>Attachments</u>

- Pedestrian Safety Plan
- Parking-Loading Zone Site map

