MEMORANDUM

To: Matthew Galligan, Town Manager

From: Jeffrey Doolittle, Town Engineer 130

Date: 3/4/16

RE: Update on Sidewalks and Pedestrian Crossing Signal at

Ellington/Sullivan/Oakland/Buckland Intersection

The Engineering Division has developed preliminary plans to construct sidewalks along Sullivan Avenue and the west side of Buckland Road from the Town Hall and Library to Deming Street. These plans include sidewalks and pedestrian crosswalks at the intersection of Ellington Road, Sullivan Avenue, Oakland Road, and Buckland Road. A small scale print of the preliminary design for sidewalks and pedestrian crosswalks at this intersection is attached.

The plans for the signal modifications needed at this intersection for pedestrian crosswalks are being done by the Town's Traffic Engineering Consultant and have taken longer than expected because a survey of the existing traffic signal equipment at this intersection had to be done and the plans for the traffic signal modifications need to satisfy all the requirements of the CT DOT, since it is a State intersection. The preliminary plans to upgrade the traffic signal at this intersection were received the week of February 15, 2016.

The schedule is to submit the preliminary plans for the sidewalks, signal improvements at the three intersections and extension of the bridge over the Plum Gulley Brook to CRCOG for review in mid March, 2016. The preliminary plans and traffic signal upgrades will be reviewed by a consultant for CRCOG and also by the State DOT, Traffic Division, and they will give us comments to address.

A public information meeting will be held this spring, and final plans will be prepared this summer and submitted to CRCOG and CT DOT for further review. We will acquire easements needed for the sidewalks and bridge extension this summer and fall. We will also apply for environmental permits from the South Windsor Inland Wetlands Agency, CT DEEP and possibly US ACOE for the extension of the bridge over the Plum Gulley Brook this summer and fall.

Once we have all the necessary easements and permits and final plans have been reviewed and approved by CRCOG and CT DOT we will bid this project for construction late this fall or next winter. Construction will occur in 2017.

Please let me know if you need any other information.

