

Provincetown Gateway and Transportation Center Proposal

Presented to the

**Provincetown Board of
Selectmen**

By the LTC Steering Committee
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Background

The **Cape Cod Transit Task Force** determined that connectivity of public transportation services was lacking on Cape Cod and development of transportation centers would address this.

Development of a Gateway to Provincetown will provide a sense of welcome and encourage more visitors to use public transportation.

History

- 2002 – Transit Task Force recommends MacMillan Pier for a transportation center.
- August 2005 – an initiative to develop a Gateway concept that combines the transportation center functions with several organizations related to natural and cultural resources on the Outer Cape and in the surrounding waters.

History

- February 13, 2006 – Provincetown Board of Selectmen vote unanimously to support any efforts to advance the public process, design, and construction of the facility.
- January 17, 2007 – A contract was initiated to develop Gateway concepts. The funding for this study was provided by Congressman Delahunt.

History

- Investigation of alternatives was pursued at several steering committee meetings.
- The efforts were suspended pending discussions of the disposition of the Fisherman's Wharf.
- Discussions resumed on June 3, 2009 based on a significant funding opportunity.

MacMillan Gateway Concept

The Transportation Center is expected to include:

- Waiting Areas
- Additional Bathrooms
- Exhibit areas and offices
- Multipurpose area for meetings and events
- Accommodations for CCRTA, P&B, taxis and tour buses

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TIGER

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What Has Changed?

TIGER

(Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery)

“Projects that are eligible for TIGER Discretionary Grants include, but are not limited to, capital investments in: (1) highway or bridge projects; (2) public transportation projects; (3) passenger and freight rail transportation projects; and (4) port infrastructure investments”

The minimum TIGER grant application is \$20 million! Grant proposals must be submitted by **September 15, 2009**.

The New Opportunity

Based on the significant potential funding opportunity, additional thinking beyond developing the original Gateway concept has taken place, The Steering Committee has reviewed and recommended for consideration a more comprehensive approach to establishing the Provincetown Gateway and Transportation Center, providing significant additional benefits to the town.

These additional benefits would include:

- Relocate visitor parking to a more accessible location
- Significantly increase parking and revenues to the town.
- Greatly expand the Waterfront Park to improve access to the piers and harbor.
- Relocate the existing Police Station

Project Elements

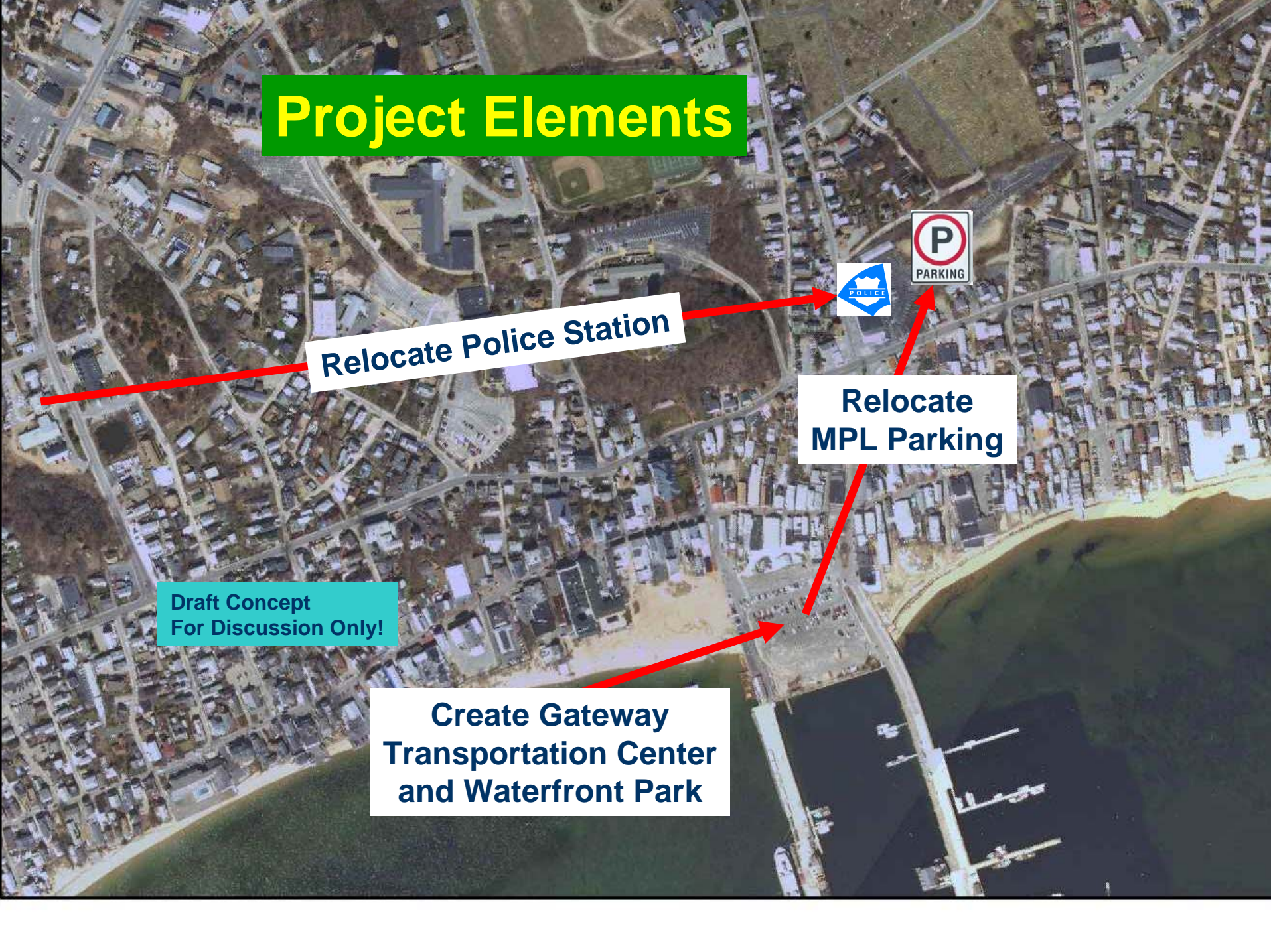
Relocate Police Station



Relocate MPL Parking

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Create Gateway
Transportation Center
and Waterfront Park



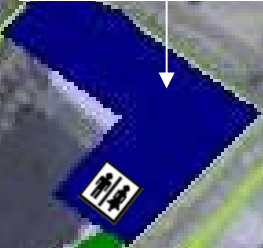


Potential Buffers



Potential Parking Area

Relocated
Police
Station



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**Potential area
for a
Waterfront
Park, Gateway,
Amphitheater
and Pier
Parking**

Themed Walkway

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Expected Benefits

Traffic and Safety

- Reduction of Pedestrian/Traffic conflicts
 - Improved pedestrian access to a wider downtown area
- Centralized Police Station
 - Increased efficiency of patrol and delivery of public safety services
 - Direct monitoring of parking facility
- Reduction of traffic congestion in the town center
 - Vastly improved traffic flow

Expected Benefits

Economic Benefits

- Increase Parking Revenues
- Park and Gateway will stimulate economic development
 - Redevelopment of the downtown area will provide an incentive for further private development and investment like the Fisherman's Wharf.
- Opportunities for cultural events and expansion of the tourist season
- Multiplier benefits of spending the TIGER grant locally
- Grant funding for a needed Public Safety Facility

Expected Benefits

Environmental Benefits

- Storm water drainage improvements and improved harbor water quality
- Reduced vehicle idling and improved air quality
- Increased green space on the waterfront
- Environmental cleanup of identified sites

Expected Benefits

- Additional Benefits
 - Improved visitor appeal and experience
 - Expand economic activity, new business and employment opportunities
 - More visitor restrooms and enhanced customer service
 - Opportunity to restore historic look of the waterfront
 - Maximize a unique property resource that could be lost to the community

What the Committee Requests

Authorization to develop a concept and apply for a TIGER grant.

