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To: Barnstable Town Councilors

From: Mark S. Ells, Town Manager

RE: Town Manager update for May 14, 2025, through June 3, 2025

1. The Town Council will commence public hearings on the proposed Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Operating Budget on June 5, 2025. The proposed FY 2026 Operating Budget is available on the Town's website and printed copies have been provided to Town Council. The Comprehensive Financial Advisory Committee (CFAC) submitted its review, comments, and recommendations for the proposed FY 2026 Operating Budget to the Town Manager and Town Council. The CFAC report was shared with Town Council on May 28, 2025 and a summary will be presented to the Town Council during the June 5, 2025 meeting. For information on our fiscal year budgets, please view the Town's Open Budget website at <http://budget.townofbarnstable.us>.
2. On May 21st, during their National Public Works Week Luncheon, the New England Chapter of the American Public Works Association honored the Solid Waste's Division's Lawrence Reney with the "First Responder Award". Mr. Reney was recognized for the heroic action he took earlier this year at the Transfer Station and was accompanied by DPW Director Dan Santos and Solid Waste Division Supervisor Tracy Regazio.
3. The Town of Barnstable will be hosting a ceremony Commemorating the 75th Anniversary of the Start of the Korean War on Wednesday, June 25th at 11:00 AM at the Korean War Memorial. Special Guests include Ambassador Kim Jae-Hui of the Republic of Korea; Craig Tamash, President, Barnstable Town Council; and Roy Thomas, Commander, Cape & Islands Chapter, Korean War Veterans Association. All are invited to attend.
4. The next round of grant funding for Opioid Abatement Fund Grants for grants of up to \$50,000 is open and the deadline for submission is June 30, 2025. Information can be found on the Town Manager's webpage: https://townofbarnstable.us/Departments/TownManager/Opioid_Abatement_Funds/Opioid-Abatement-Funds.asp
5. Kate Maldonado, Senior Planner, will provide an update on the Local Comprehensive Plan and the Downtown Hyannis Façade Grant Program.

Local Comprehensive Plan

On Tuesday May 20th the Local Comprehensive Planning Committee reviewed final public comments submitted for the Draft Local Comprehensive Plan and **affirmatively voted to approve the Local Comprehensive Plan**. As a next step, the Plan will be presented to Planning Board Monday June 9th and will then proceed to Town Council.

Downtown Hyannis Façade Grant Program

Applications for the **2025 Downtown Hyannis Façade Grant Program** are now available on the Town's [BusinessBarnstable.com](https://www.businessbarnstable.com) website through Sunday June 8th. Up to \$50,000 is available in funding for properties located in the Hyannis TDI District. Eligible projects include new signage, windows, planters, painting, awnings, and siding. Funding for this program is being provided by a MassDevelopment TDI Local grant. The program is a continuation of 2023 and 2024 grant programs that provided grants to over 30 local businesses which resulted in over \$600,000 in investment in the downtown Hyannis area.