

March 29, 2025

Re: Driveway Modification Request / Permit Application

Dear Select Board,

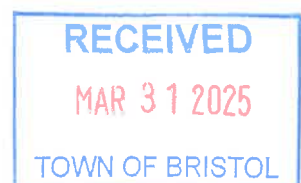
First, thank you for all that you do. Second, we are submitting an application to extend our current driveway to allow for an exit onto Crescent Street. We completed the "Work-in-Right of Way and Access Permit", but are unsure which one, if either, are required. If permitted, we would also like to request that the application fee be submitted after the April 14th Select Board Meeting when we get to discuss this proposal in person. I asked Ian to add my proposal to the agenda for that evening. We began this process in the fall and at that time were informed that these applications are generally denied. If this is the case for my specific request, then I would appreciate the opportunity to save the \$100 - \$200 it will cost just to get denied.

We have lived at 78 North Street for nearly 18 years, and for the entirety of that time, our driveway has been problematic. It is tight between our buildings, and at times challenging to turn around, especially with other vehicles present. This results in drivers needing to back out of our driveway. Having visitors that are unfamiliar with the layout of our property, and having younger drivers who live at and visit our house, the act of backing out onto North Street can be challenging. For one, there is a driveway just across the street on one side of your blindspot, and the corner of Pine Street on the other side of your blindspot. Additionally, cars tend to exceed the 30mph speed limit on that stretch resulting in a timing issue when backing out of the driveway. Lastly, there are pedestrians, bikers, and scooter riders frequently passing by on the road, often right in the aforementioned blindspots. It seems that an exit onto Crescent Street would be a much safer egress from our property. For starters, drivers would be pulling out forwards increasing their visibility. Additionally, any car coming around the corner onto Crescent street is doing so at a much slower speed and have ~100 feet before our proposed exit. Further, cars coming down Crescent Street have ~200ft of visibility before our proposed exit. Lastly, from a home owners perspective, a driveway that has a clearly defined entrance and exit make it safer to pull into and out of our property, decreasing the likelihood of someone hitting our house, garage, fence, trees, or landscaping.

Thank you again for all of the work you do for our town. Please see the attached drawing of the proposal and the permitting applications. I look forward to meeting on the 14th. If there is anything else I can do in advance of that meeting, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Daniel Lyons
Meredith Visco



TOWN OF BRISTOL

Work in Right-of-Way and Access Permit

Office Use Only

Permit #: _____ Parcel #: _____ Town Highway #: _____
Date Received: _____ Fee Paid: _____

Check all that apply: ☒ Work in Right-of-Way ☒ Access Permit (Curb Cut) ? (UNSURE)

A fee of \$100 payable to the Town of Bristol for each application must be submitted.

A permit to work within the Town's right-of-way must be obtained by anyone wishing to use or work within any part of the Town's right-of-way, including but not limited to: curb cut access, water line repair, new water line connection, work on a Class 4 road, and/or projects that affect public sidewalks.

Please provide a sketch on a separate sheet of paper of the parcel and road frontage indicating the location of the proposed project, and other pertinent information, such as: existing accesses, the Town Highway, buildings, drainage ditches, fences, utility poles, and trees or plantings, etc. that may impair visibility; and other information that may be relevant.

Applicant DANIEL LYONS Phone 802 338 2694

Mailing address 78 NORTH STREET
BRISTOL, VERMONT 05443

E-mail address SQUIDBURGERS@GMAIL.COM

Landowner Name DANIEL LYONS / MEREDITH VISCO

Property location 78 NORTH STREET BRISTOL, VERMONT 05443

Town Road Name: NORTH ST. / CRESCENT ST. Town Highway #: _____

Company/Individual performing work:

Name TO BE DETERMINED Phone: _____

Address: _____

Work in Right-of-Way (SEE ATTACHED DRAWING AND ^{WRITTEN} DESCRIPTION)

Describe project (including length, width & depth of proposed excavation)

NO EXCAVATION; EXTENDING DRIVEWAY TO ALLOW LENGTH - 37'
EGRESS ONTO CRESCENT ST.; GRADING OF LAND AND WIDTH - 17'
APPLICATION OF CRUSHED STONE DEPTH - N/A
Date of start of work ~ 4/28/25 Date of completion ~ 4/29/2025

The applicant agrees to maintain said access and to adhere to the terms and conditions attached to this permit. In the event all conditions of the access permit are not met within one year the town shall be authorized to affect those conditions at the landowner's expense. Please see attached terms.

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Road Frontage of Parcel (number of feet): ~117'

Proposed Use of Driveway (check all that apply):

☐ Agricultural ☒ Single Residence ☐ Commercial
☐ Relocation ☐ Change of Use ☐ Shared Residential Driveway or
☐ Other Development Road (# Parcels)

I represent that the information contained in this application is true and that I am authorized to file this application.



Applicant's signature

3/29/2025
Date

Conditions per order of the Public Works Foreman:

Public Works Foreman (or designee) signature

Date

All access permit applications require Selectboard approval. Action by Selectboard:

Approved ☐

Denied ☐

Date: _____

Conditions of approval:

Authorized Signature: _____

Date: _____

Title: _____

NORTH ST

70'

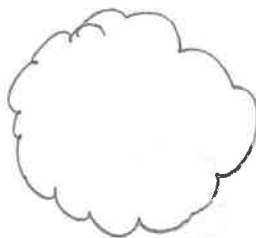
47'

95'

78 NORTH ST.
BRISTOL, VT

House

CURRENT
DRIVEWAY



PROPOSED
DRIVEWAY
EXTENSION

37'

GARAGE

UTILITY POLE

32'

216'

To
ROAD

CRESCENT ST