

## YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

30

## EDUCATION

AS, Civil Engineering, North Essex Community College

Northeastern University, UMass at Lowell- Additional Course Work

Certificate Program, Construction Project Management, New Hampshire College

## PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- City of Beverly, Parking and Traffic Commission, Chairman
- City of Beverly Lynch Park Advisory Committee (Former Chairman)
- City of Beverly Conservation Commission
- Town of Danvers Conservation Commission, (Former Chairman)
- Town of Danvers Balance Growth Committee
- Notary Public – Massachusetts

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Public Works Association, New England Chapter, Executive Board, Director
- Essex County Highway Association, Executive Board, Secretary
- Norfolk Bristol Middlesex Highway Association
- Worcester County Highway Association
- Massachusetts Highway Association
- Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE)
- NAIOP (The Commercial Real Estate Development Association)

## HIGHLIGHTS OF EXPERIENCE

With over 30 years of experience completing transportation infrastructure improvement projects, Mr. Benevento has a diverse background in transportation planning, engineering, and regulatory permitting. Specializing in transportation infrastructure Mr. Benevento has a broad range of experience and in-depth knowledge in all phases of design and permitting of both private development and public infrastructure projects.

Mr. Benevento's experience and success in securing public funding for projects has earned him the recognition as an authority on federal and state funding programs. He has assisted cities and towns throughout Massachusetts with grant and funding assistance utilizing Federal and State Aid programs totaling nearly \$100 million.

Mr. Benevento is considered an expert in the public participation process. He has addressed many distinguished groups on this subject, including the American Public Work Association and is keenly aware of the importance of community outreach. As the former Chairman of the Town of Danvers Conservation Commission and the City of Beverly Conservation Commission, Mr. Benevento is also sensitized to the importance of addressing local issues associated with public and private improvement projects. Mr. Benevento is recognized for his ability to build consensus among groups with opposing interests.

Mr. Benevento is also involved in a wide range of municipal public works and community service activities. He serves as a Director of the American Public Works Association – New England Chapter and was the recipient of 2007 Member of the Year Award. Mr. Benevento also serves as Secretary of the Essex County Highway Association where he received the 2006 Distinguished Service Award. He is also a member of several county Highway Associations.

## PROJECT EXPERIENCE

**General Services, Watertown, MA** Principal-in-Charge of an on-call General Services contract that includes a variety of projects from roadway and intersection design and bid document preparation to peer review services to multi-modal traffic studies to traffic calming and funding assistance, totaling several million dollars. Projects include:

- Reconstruction of Waverley Ave.
- MBTA Bus Study
- Traffic Calming at 2 Schools
- Reconstruction of Orchard St.
- Reconstruction of Common St.
- 3 Locations

**Improvements to Stoughton Center, Stoughton, MA** Served as Principal-in-Charge for the \$1.6 million rehabilitation of Stoughton Center. Assisted the Town in securing a \$1.9 million Public Works Economic Development (PWED) grant for the design and

*"major reconfiguration of the Center... in a historic setting"*

construction of streetscape and infrastructure improvements. Working with the Town, created a PWED committee comprised of interest groups that oversaw the design phase of the project. Led the committee to reach consensus on design issues resulting in a workable plan that receive overwhelming community support. The project consisted of improvements to town center including new traffic signals, roadway and drainage improvements, and streetscape enhancements.

**Route 110, Merrimac, MA** Principal-in-Charge for the reconstruction of one mile of Route 110 including Merrimac Center. The project included extensive coordination with the public, Town, and MassHighway in order to reach consensus on a scheme for the major reconfiguration of the Center that improves safety and operation while providing a pedestrian-friendly environment that maximizes parking in a historic setting.

**Rehabilitation of Bodwell Street, Avon, MA** Served as Principal-in-Charge for the \$1 million rehabilitation of Bodwell Street in Avon, Massachusetts. Assisted the Town in securing a Public Works Economic Development (PWED) grant for the design and construction of two miles of roadway rehabilitation. The project also included the installation of new traffic signals at the Bodwell Street at Page Street intersection. Facilitated community meetings during the design process and met with the local businesses to articulate the work program and build consensus. Directly oversaw the design process including construction phase services.

*"\$14 million reconstruction of... interchange"*

**Brimbal Avenue/Sohier Road Interchange (Route 128), Beverly, MA** Serving as Project Director for what will ultimately become the \$14 million reconstruction of the Brimbal Avenue/Route 128 interchange. Working directly with the Mayor's office, developed a comprehensive work plan to complete a feasibility study of the interchange improvements. Secured nearly \$1 million in funding for the first phase of the project, which includes the preparation of an Environmental Notification Form (ENF) and preliminary design. Responsible for the evaluation of six design alternatives, which improve interchange safety and congestion and allows the City of Beverly to access new open space and recreational areas.

**Traffic and Safety Improvements – Route 97 at Cherry Street and Maple Street, Wenham, MA** Working directly with the Town of Wenham, served as Principal-in-Charge for traffic and safety improvements at the Town's most dangerous intersection. At three times the State's average for accident occurrences, the intersection improvements include the installation of a fully actuated traffic signal system, geometric improvements, and roadway rehabilitation. The initial phase of the project consisted of project justification and

*"securing over \$5 million in construction funding"*

funding assistance that resulted in the Town receiving a \$300,000 project approval. Directly responsible for facilitating community meetings during the design process that resulted in overwhelming public support of project.

**Reconstruction of Route 62, North Reading, MA** Served as Principal-in-Charge for the reconstruction of five miles of Route 62 in the Town of North Reading. The project design by the Town to be constructed by MassHighway included roadway reconstruction, traffic signal improvements, drainage system upgrades, new sidewalks, wetlands mitigation, streetscape enhancements, and replacement of the Park Street Bridge over the Ipswich River. Responsible for all project elements including design, schedule, coordination with State agencies, client interface, cost controls, and subconsultant contracts. Prepared project justification and represented the project on behalf of the Town to Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) that resulted in securing over \$5 million in construction funding for the Town. Provided consultation during the construction phase that included community outreach, value engineering, and agency liaison.

*"Assisted the Town in securing a (\$1.4 million) PWED grant"*

**Rehabilitation of Electric Avenue (Route 13), Lunenburg, MA** Served as Principal-in-Charge for the rehabilitation of two miles of Electric Avenue (Route 13) in the Town of Lunenburg. The project was funded under a \$1.4 million Public Works Economic Development (PWED) grant and included complete rehabilitation of the roadway, drainage systems, and safety improvements. In addition, the project included the installation of 7,900 linear feet of sanitary sewer, two pump stations, and related work. Responsible for all project elements including design, schedule, coordination with State agencies, client interface, cost controls, and subconsultant contracts. Assisted the Town in securing a Public Works Economic Development (PWED) grant for the project. Responsible for providing construction phase services that included bid phase assistance contract administration, resident inspection, community outreach, value engineering, and agency liaison.

*"permitting assistance for 400,000 sf... development"*

**Locust Street (Route 35) at Wenham Street, Danvers, MA** Principal-in-Charge for the design and preparation of bid documents for an intersection reconstruction project adjacent to a historic site. Improvements included safety, drainage, and alignment improvements as well as ADA complaint pedestrian walkways that are context sensitive.

**Trade Center Park, Woburn, MA** Principal-in-Charge of traffic impact study and permitting assistance for the 400,000sf Trade Center Park development. Project included extensive study of surrounding roadway network, mitigation design including reconfiguration of major intersections, permitting, public presentations, construction

*"A recognized authority on...  
funding programs"*

services, and monitoring.

**Municipal Funding** A recognized authority on state and federal funding programs, secured millions of dollars for municipalities throughout Massachusetts for transportation infrastructure improvements. Routinely work with communities to develop short term and long-range capital programs. Extensive experience and knowledge of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) process, Federal Highway Administration and State funding programs, including the Public Works Economic Development (PWED) program.

**Professional Presentations and Lectures** Mr. Benevento has made presentations to a wide variety of audiences on the subject of funding programs and public participation. Representative examples of his presentation experience include: MA Highway Association/UMass Education Conference, May 2002; APWA New England Chapter Fall Workshop, October 1998; APWA New England Chapter Summer Workshop, June 1996; Norfolk/Middlesex/Bristol County Highway Association, Transportation Funding Workshop, January 1994.