

October 11, 2017

WORKING SESSION MINUTES

Elgin O'Hare Western Access Project Local

MEETING SUBJECT: Advisory Committee #29 RECORDER: Carla Mykytiuk

MEETING DATE & September 11, 2017 at 6:30 pm PREPARATION DATE:

TIME:

MEETING LOCATION: Mount Prospect Village Hall

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ATTENDEE NAME	ORGANIZATION
Cindy Klima	Illinois Tollway
Manar Nashif	Illinois Tollway
Rocco Zucchero	Illinois Tollway
Lidia Pilecky	CH2M Hill
Carla Mykytiuk	CH2M Hill
Sarah Archer	CH2M Hill
Jake Weaver	CH2M Hill
Rodney Craig	Hanover Park (LAC Chair)
Nunzio Pulice	Wood Dale
Malika Hainer	Mount Prospect
Derek Peebles	Des Plaines
Paul Koch	Elmhurst Chamber of Commerce
Ron Lunt	Hamilton Partners
Paul DeMichele	Bensenville Chamber of Commerce
Karyn Robles	Schaumburg
Carrie Dahlstron for Bill Plasschaert	Roselle
Paul Koch	Elmhurst Chamber of Commerce
Len Maniscalco	Bensenville Chamber of Commerce
John Loper	DuPage County
John Yonan	Cook County
Scott Viger	Bensenville
Scott Marquardt	HR Green
Maggie Jablonski	Elk Grove Village

The twenty-ninth meeting of the Elgin O'Hare-Western Access Project Local Advisory Committee (LAC) was held at Mount Prospect Village Hall at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, September 11, 2017. Mayor Rodney Craig called the meeting to order and took roll call with those present being:

Paul DeMichele Len Maniscalco Derek Peebles Rodney Craig Paul Koch Ron Lunt Nunzio Pulice Malika Hainer

Carrie Dahlstron for Bill Plasschaert John Yonan

John Loper Karyn Robles Scott Viger

With the required number of members present, a quorum was established and the minutes from the May and July 2017 meetings were approved. There was no old business to discuss. No public comment was received.

Feedback on Local Issues

Regarding feedback on local issues, LAC Member Paul DeMichele asked the status of coordination with the CP Railroad. Rocco Zucchero of the Tollway said that things were still in negotiations, but they'd been talking with CP for the last two months in advance of mediation

Paul DeMichele also mentioned that there had been an article in the paper regarding the use of transponders in every vehicle. Cindy Klima of the Tollway said that she would be covering use of transponders later in the meeting.

LAC Member Ron Lunt of Hamilton Partners said that signs are up; but they are misleading about the detours. Pete Stukas said that it was a miscommunication between the EOWA Construction office and the Village of Itasca but that it was being corrected.

Lidia Pilecky shared the new project office location, in a Hamilton Partners Building; 1000 Tower Lane, Suite 115, Bensenville, IL 60606, the office can be reached at 630.422.1246.

Project Status Update

Lidia Pilecky introduced Jake Weaver/CH2M who will be taking point on the I-490 Corridor going forward. Jake reviewed upcoming construction. He said that design of the north section of I-490 would be underway this fall. Jake said that the EOWA Project team would be working in tandem with the Central Tri-State team to coordinate the work at the I-490 and I-294 interchange area. Jake reviewed the construction timeline

Regarding the address changes related to the portions of Thorndale Avenue converted to frontage roads along IL Route 390 Tollway; at the time of the meeting, approximately 10 businesses had been in touch and expressed interest in the Tollway's offer of assistance in procuring business materials with their updated address. Sarah Archer/CH2M said that coordination with the post office and businesses regarding address changes was through the municipalities.

Lidia Pilecky/CH2M, highlighted public outreach activities, including 11 local coordination meetings since the last LAC meeting. Lidia highlighted upcoming events including the IL 390 Tollway Trick, Trot, & Roll (10/28) and the opening of the IL 390 Tollway to IL 83 (11/1). Lidia suggested a holiday pause for LAC activities and noted that the focus after the 1st of the year would be on I-490.

Illinois Route 390 Tolling Outreach

Cindy Klima/Tollway gave a brief update on cashless tolling which began on the western portion of the roadway on July 5, 2016 and will begin on the eastern portion November 1, 2017.

Cindy pointed out that having an I-PASS transponder in your car means you receive a 50 percent discount on your tolls, but that beginning January 1, 2018, the Illinois Tollway will no longer be offering the discount to cars without transponders. Using I-PASS on other toll roads is convenient, I-PASS and E-ZPASS are interchangeable, accepted in 16 states by 37 toll agencies.

Cindy and Lidia spoke briefly about the II 390 Trick, Trot & Roll event on October 28, and invited the municipalities to participate by hosting an activity at the event. Lidia said that CH2M is assisting with a STEM booth, to encourage kids to participate.

LAC Member Malika Hainer suggested that an event map on the event webpage would be helpful. Cindy said the Tollway is finalizing the map.

Cindy Klima said that tolling signage will be up for more than a month of notification, but to let the project team know if it needs to be customized. She said that IL 390 is done, for the rest of the project we'll be talking about I-490; we're wrapping up IL 390 and moving forward; it's not a road to nowhere anymore!

She made a last push for the communities to participate in the IL 390 celebration and to wear costumes!

Jurisdictional Transfer

Sarah Archer/CH2M gave an update on jurisdictional transfer of ROW associated with IL 390. ROW is being acquired for the project including ROW acquired by IDOT and DuPage County Thorndale Ave ROW. Generally, after all ROW is acquired and construction is complete, Tollway will transfer ROW not required for Tollway maintenance/jurisdiction to others (IDOT, DuPage County, Itasca, Addison Township, Wood Dale, Elk Grove Village, Bensenville) via intergovernmental agreement (IGA).

Parcels acquired or owned by IDOT that are not required for IDOT roadway maintenance/jurisdiction will be transferred to Tollway, including:

- IL 390 parcels from Meacham Rd/Medinah Rd to York Rd
- Parcels in Bensenville and Franklin Park along and south of Franklin Ave/Green St
- Parcel conveyance to occur on or before November 1, 2017

Final transfer to municipalities (recording of conveyance documents) anticipated by 1st quarter 2018 which shall occur generally after all ROW has been acquired (11/1/2017) and construction is complete.

Elgin O'Hare Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

John Loper/DuPage County provided an update and summary of the Elgin O'Hare Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. He said that as of today, the plan is available at eohbikepedplan.com, or on CMAP's website. John said the plan stems from local technical assistance grants which were originally discussed in about 2008-2009. In 2016, the plan was put on hold due to failure for the IL state budget to be passed. The study area is large and includes all or portions of Addison, Bensenville, Bloomingdale, Elk Grove Village, Franklin Park, Hanover Park, Itasca, Roselle, Schaumburg, and Wood Dale. Although it's been discussed, it does not reach into Des Plaines at this time. John said there has been a very good partnership and participation by corridor communities. Dupage County worked with a nationally renowned bike/ped group.

EOWA bike-ped plan core principles

- EOWA/IL 390, I-355/I-290 will not be barriers to non-motorized travel
- Won't recommend specific engineering improvements
- Will be multi-jurisdictional plan
- Will incorporate municipal plans and programs

The 370-page plan is very comprehensive and includes recommendations based on technical assessments and feasibility (qualitative) assessments. Each quadrant and possible facility was put through the screening process. John said that there will likely be differing opinions/priorities amongst communities, and that the goal is not to supersede local decision making. The plan is intended to be supportive to communities in their planning and grant submittal process.

The plan includes 250 path and intersection recommendations and \$150 million in proposed improvements.

Overall recommendations of the plan include:

- Low stress bike and pedestrian-friendly infrastructure including sidepaths, separated bike lanes and intersection improvements
- New trails to expand the off-street network
- Regional programs that include: commuting resources, adoption of complete streets policies, regional events
- Funding mechanisms
- Facility design guidelines
- Priority corridors.

John said the plan does not include a lot of on-street bikeways and would necessitate road diets on local and county routes.

Related to the bike plan discussion, Mayor Pulice asked if the county were successful in securing any of the first round of grants they had applied for. John Loper said that nobody in DuPage received any grant money yet. John said they would take a look and DuPage County would help oversee STP and local funding to the extent possible.

LAC Member Paul DeMichele asked if there is a bike path adjacent to IL 390. John Loper said the recommended path is south of IL 390. Paul asked for confirmation that there are no bike lanes on the Tollway. John said that there are nice paths planned for the frontage roads and that they are trying to make sure they connect.

County Updates

Regarding CMAQ grants, John Yonan of Cook County said that the Franklin Avenue-Green Street Interchange is a favored project that will be voted on in October. The award would likely be in the upper \$20s. Regarding Tiger grant funding, John said that there is a tight internal deadline with a decision on whether to apply for a grant for Touhy Avenue pending.

LAC Member Ron Lunt said it seems like the Feds would have earmarked \$30 million/year; are they old earmarks? Rocco Zucchero said that TIGER is very competitive, and a very oversubscribed federal funding mechanism. Ron, then asked where we are with the \$3.4 billion; where is the gap? Lidia said that we'll be more than half way there after the CMAQ award. John Loper said that a new request for TIGER applications was recently published. He said that Touhy Avenue is still out there, but they've made four attempts.

Next Steps/Next Meeting

Next meeting is scheduled for January 8, 2018. Scott Viger of Bensenville offered to host the next LAC meeting; Ron Lunt offered Hamilton Lakes as a backup. Rocco Zucchero asked the LAC members to let him know if they hear about

any issues with tolling after the new segment opens.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:45 p.m. with no public comment or executive session. Minutes taken by: Carla Mykytiuk, CH2M for the LAC.