

## **NOTIFICATION PURPOSE**

Due to restrictions imposed as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, a public information meeting (which is part of the outreach effort for projects of this nature) will not be conducted for this project. The purpose of this informational brochure is to provide public officials, property owners, potential stakeholders, emergency responders and schools the opportunity to become acquainted with and express comments on the Village of Stamford project to replace concrete sidewalks on both sides of Route 23 Harper Street/Main Street in the village. The included comment card is provided to relay concerns or comments regarding this project to the Village.

## **PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND EVOLUTION**

This project was initiated by the Village to address sidewalk conditions that affect pedestrian use and public Right-of-Way accessibility. The sidewalk's current structure and alignment dates back to a NYSDOT reconstruction project from the 1980s. The existing sidewalk exhibits varying degrees of settlement and deterioration, which qualifies for funding under the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) administered by the NYSDOT as a project to achieve compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) to meet current accessibility guidelines. The work will consist of removing and replacing concrete sidewalk and the removal of brick pavers to provide a renewed service life and aesthetic for years to come. Other enhancements include some curbing and safety features comprising replacement signing, pavement markings, street lighting, and curb ramps with detectable warning fields.

Approximately \$1.8 million in funding is programmed for construction. The majority of funds are from the federal and state governments, with 20% of the cost borne by the village.

This project will **NOT** require Right-of-Way acquisitions for the replacement and/or installation of any proposed improvements. Property releases from individual property owners will be obtained to allow the contractor entry onto private property to reconstruct driveway aprons and removal of existing sidewalks.

## **PROJECT OBJECTIVES**

- Replace concrete sidewalks and bring sidewalks and curb ramps up to current ADA and PROWAG standards
- Replace brick pavers with turf and stamped asphalt (stamped asphalt may be colored or plain asphalt)
- Replace traffic control and safety devices where deficient
- Replace lighting with ornamental poles/fixtures, in scale with setting

## **DESIGN DETAILS**

The project begins at the intersection with NYS Route 10 Hobart Street/Lake Street and continues to the intersection with Mountain Avenue/Beaver Street. The design alternative primarily consists of the replacement of concrete sidewalks on the south/west side Route 23 Harper Street/Main Street, but will also include replacement of sidewalk segments on the north/east side. This work will include installation of curb ramps meeting PROWAG standards, removal of brick pavers and replacement with stamped asphalt or turf in snow storage areas, crosswalk striping, advance warning signs, minor vertical and horizontal grade adjustments, utility valve box and manhole adjustments, driveway crossings, street lighting replacement, and extensions to fill in missing segments of the sidewalk. Crosswalks will also have rectangular rapid flashing beacons (RRFBs) for enhanced pedestrian safety.

Since proposed construction will impact the driveway openings and access, asphalt concrete aprons will be reconstructed within the limits of disturbance to reconnect driveways. Safety appurtenances such as traffic control signs, and permanent pavement markings will be replaced or installed.

Due to the nature of the work, occasional lane closures utilizing flag persons to control alternating one-way traffic will be required, with shoulder closures being the main practice for work zone traffic control, minimizing delays to motorists. At the end of each working day, the road will be reopened to two-way operation. Access to all driveways and businesses will be maintained during construction. On-site sidewalk detours will be required during construction when segments of sidewalk are being replaced.

## **SCHEDULE**

Construction is expected to begin in the spring of 2022 and be completed at the end of summer of 2022. This schedule is subject to annual NYSDOT fund availability and may be revised.

## **INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC**

A detailed description of the project can be viewed by accessing the project Draft Design Report. An electronic copy of the Draft Design Report is made available on the Village of Stamford website and a paper copy will be available at the Stamford Library at 117 Main Street and also at the Village Hall at 84 Main Street.