



August 15, 2016

Ms. Helen Walter  
Selinsgrove Area Chamber of Commerce  
21 East Pine Street  
Selinsgrove, PA 17870

Subject: Snyder County  
State Route (S.R.) 2017, Section 14M  
Market Street Mill and Resurface Project Questions

Dear Ms. Walter:

This letter is in reference to the list of questions submitted to Mr. Vance Cohick and Mr. John Stetts during the Selinsgrove Chamber of Commerce luncheon on July 26, 2016 at BJ's Steak House in Selinsgrove. The following questions regarding the Market Street project are numerically listed with a response below each one.

Questions and Responses:

1. What is the scope and intent of the project?
  - The scope is milling and resurfacing Market Street (S.R. 2017) from Sand Hill Road to Airport Road intersection and continuing on US 11 to just south of Roosevelt Avenue near the mall. Also included is approximately 0.4 miles of resurfacing on US 522 heading west from Market Street. ADA curb ramps will also be constructed along with the project.
  - The intent of the project is to replace the wearing layers of the pavement structure to prolong the life of the pavement base.
  
2. Who is managing the project (name of persons)?
  - Assistant Maintenance Engineer, John Stetts at 570.368.4274 will be our current point of contact; as design begins the Design Project Manager will be the primary contact.

3. Will the borough have a say in the management of traffic flow and road closings?
  - We will be in contact with the borough while developing the traffic control plan. The majority of the proposed work is currently planned on being completed at night to minimize impacts to the travelling public along Market Street.
4. When will local residents and business owners be informed about the project start date and details?
  - The schedule and project design have not been developed yet and we will work with the borough and other stakeholders to keep them informed. The current tentative schedule would have construction beginning in spring of 2018.
5. How will local residents and business owners be informed about the project start date and details?
  - We will work with the borough and other stakeholders to keep them informed during design of the project. Also, press releases a few weeks before the beginning of construction will be used to inform residents and businesses of more exact dates. Press releases will also be provided during construction to notify the public of important activities.
6. Who at the state level is responsible for offering the proposed project?
  - The project will be administered by the Department of Transportation.
7. What is the start date of the project?
  - The project is currently anticipated to begin in the spring of 2018. We will notify the borough when the actual start date is established.
8. What is the estimated completion date of the project?
  - We are early in the design phase and the estimated completion date will be determined later.

9. What end of Market Street will they start on, the track (Selinsgrove Speedway) or the green bridge?

- This will be determined at a later date.

10. Will any side roads be effected by construction during this time?

- The side roads could be affected by the construction of the ADA curb ramps and during roadway construction they could be closed for a short period of time as construction occurs. No long term closures of side roads are currently planned.

11. Do they plan to move the project fluently down Market Street or will they be working at various points on the roadway throughout the process?

- It is anticipated that the milling and resurfacing will be constructed progressively from one end of the Market Street to the other. The ADA curb ramps are generally constructed before the paving and may be done sporadically.

12. What is the amount of money from the state attached to the project?

- The current amount programmed for construction of the projects is over \$4,000,000.

13. Are there any incentives to finish the project early?

- There are no incentives to complete the project early.

14. Are there any deadlines in place and/or any fines if they don't finish in time?

- When the construction schedule is developed, a completion date is determined as part of the contract agreement. If completion date is not met or justification not provided for not meeting it, the contractor would be assessed a penalty until the work is complete.

15. How will traffic be detoured?

- It is not anticipated that there will be any detours on this project. One lane will be open during construction hours and traffic controlled by flaggers as the contractor is working in an area; during non-working hours traffic will flow as normal.

16. Will any part of Market Street be 100 percent closed at any time during the project?

- It is not anticipated that Market Street will be completely closed during construction.

17. Will the green bridge be completely closed or will they have a lane open?

- Traffic at and near the "green bridge" should remain in its normal condition, except during construction when only one lane will be open as traffic is flagged through the area when the contractor is working there.

18. Is "open to local traffic only" an option?

- The project will be open to all traffic. During construction hours traffic will be controlled by flaggers.

19. Where will trucks and equipment be stored when not in use?

- During non-working hours, the trucks and equipment will be stored at a staging area chosen by the contractor in coordination with the borough and/or property owners.

20. Will any businesses at any time be prohibited from conducting normal business, i.e., traffic flow, parking etc.?

- It will be necessary to prohibit areas of street parking during construction hours to allow for milling and resurfacing. We will coordinate closely with the borough and business when plans are developed. The construction of the ADA curb ramps also could restrict parking in those areas until they are constructed. Side street parking access will also be limited for short amounts of time while the hot pavement cools enough to allow traffic to travel on it.

21. How will parking on Market Street be handled during the course of the project?

- The contractor will work with the borough to close the necessary parking areas that will be impacted by construction activities. "No parking" signs will be placed and parking will be closed for a specific time frame, typically overnight, and then moved when the work is completed in that area.

22. Does PennDOT plan to close both sides of the road or leave one open?

- One lane will be open during construction hours.

23. Will this project overlap any other major road construction projects in the borough or Penn Township?

- The Department is currently not aware of any projects planned in those areas at this time.

24. How do they plan to mark signage in the borough during the project for pedestrian safety, vehicle traffic safety and first responders during emergencies or accidents?

- The traffic control plan is still under development and signing is not finalized. The traffic will be controlled with flaggers and they will allow emergency vehicles priority through the work zone.

25. Will this be a project slated for night time construction?

- Yes, the milling and resurfacing are anticipated to be done during night time hours. The ADA curb ramps could be constructed during the day, but will have minimal impact on traffic.

26. If this is a night time project, what time will they start work and what time will they end work?

The schedule has not been developed yet but we will coordinate with the borough and stakeholders.

27. If this is a night time project, what areas of the roads will be open and closed during daytime hours?

- Intermittently short term traffic lane or parking lane closures may be required to construct the curb ramps. One lane will be open and flaggers will control traffic.

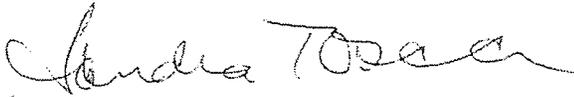
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28. If this is a night time project, where will the equipment and trucks, machinery be stored during the day?

- During non-working hours, the trucks and equipment will be stored at a location chosen by the contractor.

If you have any other questions please contact Project Manager Vance Cohick at 570.368.4369.

Sincerely,



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