



MEETING SUMMARY

2022 Milling and Resurfacing Project

City of Rochester Project ID# 20133

Subject: Public Information Meeting No. 2
Location: Online (Virtual)
Date: Tuesday, November 30, 2021
Time: 5:30 – 6:30 PM

The purpose of this meeting was to review proposed improvements on North Goodman Street.

OVERVIEW

On Tuesday, November 30th, 2021, a virtual public meeting was held for the City of Rochester's 2022 Milling & Resurfacing Project using Zoom Webinar videoconferencing from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The meeting included a presentation on the project and a Q&A session where participants were invited to pose questions they had about the project or offer comments. The meeting was attended by 9 members of the public including property owners and other residents. A full list of attendees is included in Appendix A and the presentation is available in Appendix B.

PRESENTATION & DISCUSSION

Welcome & Introductions

Ruben Escobar, City of Rochester, welcomed attendees. Susan Charland, Highland Planning, provided an overview of the Zoom Webinar controls and protocols and asked attendees to electronically sign in by typing their name and address into the chat feature.

Presentation

Steven Ketch, Bergmann Associates, provided an overview of the project and summarized public meeting No.1 and the community engagement efforts for the project. He then continued the presentation outlined the North Goodman Street proposed improvements and public realm that the project was exploring, including milling and resurfacing; repairs to sidewalks and curbs; ADA sidewalk ramp compliance; repairs and adjustments to manholes, catch basins, and valves; the implementation of curb bump-outs, bicycle facility improvements; improvements to streetscape and traffic signal elements. The presentation then turned to the existing conditions and proposed changes for each of the two street segments within the North Goodman project limits. Bicycle network connectivity was highlighted, and updates to the curb bump-out at Perkins Ave and traffic signals were reviewed before the presentation concluded with a reminder of the project's schedule and webpage information.



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Question & Answer Session

Susan Charland, Highland Planning, facilitated a comment session with attendees using the chat and Q&A features on Zoom Webinar. Comments, questions, and responses from the project team are summarized below.

Will there be parking on the side of the street?

With the bike lanes, the parking would be eliminated on the east side of North Goodman Street, within the project limits, so between Peck Street and Bay Street, and between Clifford Avenue and Norton Street; however, there will still be parking on the west side of the street.

Is there any vision or plan the City has to guide bike lane implementation (what arterials will receive bike lanes)? The approach seems pretty disjointed and piecemeal, which results in a disjointed network that doesn't work for most people.

The City's Complete Streets Policy requires that we evaluate bike facilities on every street that we are designing. The City adds bike facilities of varying types depending on their feasibility and appropriateness. Given limited resources, our bike network has grown as we resurface or reconstruct our streets, consistent with our capital program. In the past ten years, well over 100 lane miles of on-street bicycle facilities have been added, with many more to come.

Hi - I own a business on N Goodman and the last time you did work on street/sidewalk you put sidewalks in higher than building, which caused water to drain towards building, and I had to put the City on notice to get them to fix - How can I be sure this will not happen again?

Subsequently to this meeting, it was determined that this location is at 1250 North Goodman St (In front of the pizzeria). There is no sidewalk work anticipated right in front of this location. Therefore, no impacts to the existing sidewalk elevation are anticipated.

For 720 North Goodman St., what will happen with it? Will there be car parking next to the store? Will you take the small parking lot?

There would not be on-street parking in front of 720 North Goodman because it is on the east side of the street. Customers could park on Diringer Place or across the street on the west side of North Goodman. Note that parking is currently prohibited directly in front of the store due to a fire hydrant, and there is no legal parking directly in front of the store as is, so there will be no change of the current parking regulations.

My tenants are concerned about access and duration of project.

This is a rehabilitation project rather than a reconstruction. The road work that will be completed is going to be pavement milling and resurfacing and will not be an extensive, time-consuming process that will leave roads closed for long periods of time. In addition, access to the properties and houses will be maintained throughout the construction of this project. This is a requirement for the Contractor.

What is the plan for 1250 North Goodman Street?

There will be no on-street parking on the east side of the street. There will be on-street parking available at the west side of the street.



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Are there any changes to Chestnut & East Avenue designs since last time? (Previous Public Information meeting)

There are no major changes planned to lane configurations or bike lanes since the first meeting.

Will there be parking at 597 North Goodman Street?

Parking in front of this church will not change, and at Peck St the parking will not change either. There will still be on-street parking on the west side of North Goodman St from the church driveway to the north.

Will there be parking on the other side of the street near 1256 North Goodman Street?

This location does have off-street parking available, and currently parking is prohibited on the east side of the street. In addition, there is a fire hydrant in front of the Above Barbershop. There isn't a reasonable implementation of bike lanes that would allow for parking on the east side of the street in this area. Because there are existing places for people and customers to park, and we are trying to keep bike lanes continuous, retaining on-street parking on the east side is not feasible. In addition, there will be on-street parking available on the west side to accommodate any potential parking excess demand at this location.

The owner for 720 North Goodman Street said it's unacceptable he's unable to accept this plan he'll lose his business.

Parking is currently not allowed in front of the store. Customers that are parking there now are currently parking illegally, and they are already at risk for receiving a parking ticket. As indicated earlier, there is a fire hydrant in front of the store as well. With the proposed project, there will not be changes to the parking regulations in front of the store.

We need the parking on the side of the street.

As a part of this project, there was a parking study completed. The parking study showed that the overall parking demand along North Goodman St is low. The parking study also showed that retaining parking on the west side of North Goodman St can accommodate all the parking demands.

What is the deadline for public feedback?

The project team encourages members of the public to submit comments within the next two weeks, by December 14th, 2021.

I am the owner of 1252 North Goodman Street (the barbershop), and I just opened up a beauty shop on the other side of the barber shop. In regards to the front parking, 75% of my clients park in front of the store (east side of the street), and the parking lot is constantly full.

While there is a parking lot available at that location, we understand that it may not be as convenient as on-street parking directly in front of the building. There will be on-street parking available on the west side to accommodate any potential parking demand at this location.

Next Steps

The project team shared that meeting materials would be made available on the project's webpage and adjourned the meeting. <https://www.cityofrochester.gov/2022MR/>



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APPENDIX A

Attendees

Bishop Patrick McNair
Carl LaMartina
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Louie

Project Team

City of Rochester

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Erik Frisch, *Manager of Special Projects*
Marlen Quintero, *NE NSC Assistant Administrator*
Kelvin Knight, *SE NSC Administrator*
Dominic Fekete P.E., *Manager of Street Design Division*

Monroe County

Henry Herdzik, *P.E., Transportation Project Manager/MCDOT Liaison*

Consulting Team

Michael Croce, P.E., Bergmann Associates
Steven Ketch, P.E., Bergmann Associates
Susan Charland, Highland Planning
Nancy Raca, Highland Planning

APPENDIX B

Presentation

A copy of the meeting presentation is available at the project's [webpage](#) under the Public Involvement section.