

TO: Thomas R. Kneeland

Members of Council

**City Attorney** 

FROM: Dottie A. Franey

Director of Public Service and Engineering

**DATE:** June 16, 2017

SUBJECT: Report to Council, June 26, 2017

## **ACTION ITEMS FROM THE CITY ENGINEER**

ACTION ITEM #1 — Hamilton Rd Phase A-City of Columbus RW Acquisition and Utility Relocation Agreement - The City of Columbus is planning to widen the portion of Hamilton Road from Morse Road to SR-161. This widening project will include the widening on Morse Road from Trellis Lane to Hamilton Road, as well as a right turn lane on Southbound Hamilton Road at Morse Road in our jurisdiction. This section of Morse Road experiences severe congestion and is in need of widening. The City of Columbus is preparing to acquire right-of-way and relocate utilities as needed for the project will need to acquire right-of-way on our behalf as part of the project. The provided right-of-way acquisition and utility relocation agreement will allow the City of Columbus to negotiate and acquire right-of-way, and perform utility relocations needed for this project on our behalf. All right-of-way in our jurisdiction will be quit claimed to the City of Gahanna at the completion of the project.

We are respectfully requesting an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to sign the agreement. (Agreement and RCA attached.)

## ACTION ITEMS FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE

There are no items from the Director of Public Service.

## **UPDATES**

Hamilton Rd Central – Over the next week or so, crews will have temporary lane shifts throughout the project as they work to finish topsoil placement, sod, seeding, and plantings. The final paving and striping installations are expected to start the first week of July. All final restoration and surface asphalt are expected to completed late Spring/early Summer of 2017.

Motorists should continue to expect delays throughout the construction zone, and are encouraged to consider other routes if they wish to avoid a possible delay in their travels.

Please click <u>here</u> if you would like to view our roundabout training videos. Any questions should be directed to the Department of Public Service at 614-342-4005.

Heil Drive Bridge Replacement Project/Municipal Bridge Program Funding— The City of Gahanna was recently selected by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to receive funding for the Heil Drive Bridge Replacement Project.

In the past, ODOT has provided 80% of the eligible costs in Federal funds through the Municipal Bridge Program. This year, they're also utilizing Toll Revenue Credit (TRC) to provide 95% of the eligible costs, so Gahanna will receive up to a maximum of \$316,026 in Federal funds through the Municipal Bridge Program, in State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2019 for this project. This project could be moved to SFY 2018 if the schedule and funds allow. Gahanna's local match for this project will be 5% (\$16,632.00).