

Present: 13 Participants

The meeting began at 6:30 pm

Lower Atlantic Street Project-Frank Petise Transportation Bureau Chief City of Stamford

- The survey has been updated and completed by the surveyor.
- They went over traffic study numbers to bring them up to date.
- Plan to reduce the roadway cross section.
- Looking into combining the cycling track on one side of the road
- Once the lines are more set, they will meet with each property owner impacted by the project.
- Removing the median island.

Question: Monika asked why are you pushing bike lanes? There is a need for more green space rather than expanding the roads, do something better.

Frank Answered: Bike lanes are a part of the complete street design passed in 2015 which Stamford must follow. Bike lanes are above the curb lines to separate them from the vehicles. They eliminated two-way lanes to cut back on pavement, adding greenery and there will be two lanes going 1-way North and 1-way South to increase traffic calming. In terms of green space street trees will be planted along the amenity strip.

There was mention of the accident and the hazardousness to pedestrians on Washington Blvd. Frank stated that Washington Blvd is a state road, and the city is collaborating with DOT as funding was just approved for pedestrian safety upgrades.

Captain Barcello – Stamford Police Department commented that wider roads are better for evacuation and other modes of transportation (scooters, unicycles, electric vehicles) that will be greener and energy efficient. In the future wider lanes will accommodate the different modes of transportation.

Ted Ferrarone -Harbor Point mentioned that the EPA ranked Harbor Point the second most walkable place in the state of Connecticut.

Frank Petise stated they reduced the width for cycle track and bike lanes by 2ft. Frank is going to hold a public hearing and reach out within a couple of months to the property owners.

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Captain Barcello gave a city-wide update on programs for both boys and girls. The Pal building on Selleck Street is running the Mighty Might Basketball league and there are spots still open. Contact Lt Junes:

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Youth Leadership program for Middle School during the week, contact Sergeant John Derisme:
203.895.5454

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Sue Halpern mentioned the blasting and moving of soil on the B&S Carting site inquiring if there are air monitors on the site. Ted suggested following up with Bill Buckley

Concerns about the blasting on the B&S carting site:

- Structural damage to homes
- The distance of the blasting
- Release of rodents when there is blasting or digging.
- Environmental concerns on the contaminated area.

Ted will get more information on the issues and send an e-mail to Terry to disperse.

Follow-up items:

- Terry to follow-up on the fishing pier
- Perspective school in the South End, where will it be located.
- Manhattan Street Project

Sue mentioned the signing of the letter for Lathan Wider to get funding. Terry stated he sent the letter out to get signatures for support.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm