

LOUISVILLE – SOUTHERN INDIANA OHIO RIVER BRIDGES PROJECT

Indiana Historic Preservation Advisory Team (IHPAT) Meeting September 21, 2016 – 10:00 A.M. at Spring Street Freight House

The following summarizes the discussions of the IHPAT meeting held at the Spring Street Freight House (SSFH) in Jeffersonville, Indiana on September 21, 2016 for the Louisville – Southern Indiana Ohio River Bridges Project (Project). An agenda was provided to the IHPAT invitees on September 7, 2016 via e-mail.

Welcome and Introductions: Mr. John Sacksteder, CTS-GEC

Mr. Sacksteder welcomed everyone to the meeting. A list of the IHPAT members in attendance is attached to this summary.

Project Update: Ms. Mary Kennedy, INDOT and Mr. John Carr, IN SHPO Office

Neither Ms. Kennedy nor Mr. Carr had any opening comments or remarks.

Maintenance of Traffic in the Downtown: Mr. Rob Harris, KYTC

Mr. Harris provided the following Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) update for the Downtown Construction. Construction is 95% complete. To date, \$849,000,000.00 has been expended for project construction; the remaining budget is \$44,000,000.00.

Section 1 – Kentucky Approach

- Ongoing traffic changes will accommodate final surfacing. Traffic advisories will be posted in the near future.
- Adams Street has been reduced to one travel lane to allow replacement of the concrete pavement.
- I-64 EB will be diverted to I-65 SB from 9:00 PM – 5:00 AM on September 30, 2016 and October 1, 2016 for final resurfacing.

Section 2 – Ohio River Bridges

- SB I-65 ramp construction from the Lincoln Bridge should be completed in mid-October 2016.

Section 3 – Indiana Approach

- The Court Avenue ramp to SB I-65 will be closed for surfacing on September 21, 2016 and reopen on September 27, 2016.

Design and Project Construction Update

Downtown Construction: Mr. Rob Harris, KYTC

In addition to the traffic update, Mr. Harris provided the following status of the construction in the Downtown.

Section 1 – Kentucky Approach

- I-64 WB and I – 71 SB grade and drain operations continue.
- Structural work continues on the I-65 SB superstructure and deck.

- Structural steel painting is ongoing.
- Plaza work has begun across from Waterfront Park.
- Local street restorations are ongoing.

Section 2 – Ohio River Bridges

- Construction of the deck of the Kennedy Bridge is complete.
- The approach substructure on I – 65 SB in Indiana is complete.
- On the Lincoln Bridge, painting of the structural steel is on - going.

Section 3 – Indiana Approach

- I-65 SB grade and drain and paving are ongoing.
- I-65 SB has been shifted at 10th Street to allow work on the access ramp (to I – 65 SB) to continue.

Following this presentation, Mr. Carr questioned when SB traffic would be restored to the Kennedy Bridge. Mr. Harris replied that work on the Bridge is underway and traffic is expected to return in mid - October 2016.

East End Construction: Mr. Ron Heustis, INDOT

Mr. Heustis indicated that construction was approximately 95% complete, and is on schedule for substantial completion by December 17, 2016.

- Section 4 is 92% complete and the tunnel is 91% complete. Some paving remains along with completion of the Intelligent Transportation System (ITS), lighting, final grading and landscaping. The final concrete tunnel liner is complete and mechanical, electrical, plumbing and construction of the control building continues.
- Section 5 has completed closure of the main span bridge and work is underway to complete the post-tensioning, bridge rail and deck overlay.
- Section 6 is 99% complete with pavement markings, ITS, aesthetics, final grading and landscaping being completed.

Downtown Jeffersonville Streetscaping: Mr. Jim Hilton, CTS-GEC

The final construction plans are completed and the construction quantities and cost estimates have been submitted by Walsh Construction. The quantities and estimates are under review. Construction is anticipated to begin in the fall 2016. The City of Jeffersonville has requested the incorporation of special decorative inlays in the intersections and on the crosswalks.

Project Status

Pearl Street Infill Revitalization: Mr. Jeff Vlach, CTS - GEC

Mr. Jay Ellis of Jeffersonville Main Street (Main Street) provided Mr. Vlach with the status of the Pearl Street Infill Revitalization Project. At 401 Pearl Street, plinth blocks, rosettes and baseboards have been installed. Original trim pieces were used where feasible, and matching (trim) pieces were milled. Painting of all the trim is underway. The front steps and decking to the outbuilding have been constructed, and metal hand rail was installed on front porch steps. At 407 Pearl Street, plumbing and electrical wiring have been installed. The heating – ventilation – air conditioning (HVAC) installation required modification, which has been completed. Spray foam insulation began on September 21, 2016 with the installation of drywall to start the week of September 26,

2016. The original front door at this house is being refinished and stained-glass pieces created to match those original sections that were missing. An American with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant entry for wheelchairs is under construction to match the original front door. At 403 and 405 Pearl Street, formal approval from the City of Jeffersonville building commissioner is pending completion of the plumbing.

In addition to providing the status of the Revitalization Project, Mr. Ellis posed the following questions (in *italics*); answers are provided. The responses were also returned to Mr. Ellis on September XX, 2016.

When will IHPAT get to review and comment on final downtown Jeffersonville streetscape improvement plans? If this occurs at today's meeting then when is deadline for written comments?

Walsh Construction/Stantec developed the streetscape and aesthetic lighting design plans. Mr. Richard Sutherland, Stantec, presented the scope of this design at the IHPAT of December 9, 2015, which included distribution of a copy of the presentation to all IHPAT members on November 23, 2015. The scope included aesthetic street lighting; milling of intersections and placement of new asphalt and crosswalks; use of salvaged limestone blocks from the Clark Memorial Bridge approach to construct stone benches and construction of aluminum fence as a screen along Riverside Drive beneath the bridge approaches and extending to the alley or flood wall. The typical 15 – day comment period from December 9 – 28, 2015 (increased because of the holidays) was afforded. No comments were received.

All work was coordinated with the City of Jeffersonville, who will be responsible for maintenance of the aesthetic features. In addition, the design was presented to the Jeffersonville Historic Preservation Commission on January 18, 2016. The streetscape design plans were presented and approved.

What are the anticipated start and completion dates of downtown streetscape improvements?

Construction is anticipated to commence in mid – October 2016 and conclude in early 2017, dependent on weather conditions.

What amount is going to be spent on downtown streetscape improvements in downtown Jeffersonville? I believe it was around \$750,000+ but would like the amount confirmed.

The construction budget for the streetscape project has been approximated at \$800,000.00.

If it hasn't already, when will 6th Street be fully open to traffic?

It is anticipated that 6th Street will be open to through traffic in mid – October 2016, but direct access to I-65 will not occur until later in 2016 as final paving and other construction is completed on the connecting roadways.

Interpretive Markers***Ohio Falls Car and Locomotive Historic District (HD): Mr. David Kroll, CTS-GEC***

Three locations were investigated for placement of the marker: At the Water Tower, in a planting bed on the south side of Court Avenue about a block west of the Water Tower and north of Court Avenue about one block west of the Water Tower. The latter two locations are adjacent to sidewalks. Each location would allow pedestrians to stop and view the marker and not impede vehicular traffic flow along Court Avenue. After discussion with Mr. Cory Hoehn of the Cornerstone Group on September 14, 2016, he preferred the location north of Court Avenue and west of the Water Tower. It is proposed to construct a triangular concrete pad or footings to mount the marker and allow pedestrians to move off the sidewalk to view it. The anticipated installation date is spring 2017.

Mr. Carr concurred in the selection of the marker location. He emphasized that this location would attract pedestrians to stop and view the marker and urged that CTS - GEC move to fabricate it. Mr. Sacksteder directed Mr. Kroll to contact ACS Signs for a proposal to fabricate and install the marker.

Colgate – Palmolive HD: Mr. David Kroll, CTS-GEC

The marker application was prepared and submitted to the Indiana Historical Bureau (IHB) on August 11, 2016. IHB verified receipt of the application on August 12, 2016. By October 14, 2016, a decision on those applications to process into markers will be made by IHB.

On August 17, 2016, Ms. Casey Pfeiffer of the IHB questioned the proposed location for the marker. On that date, aerial and ground – level photographs of proposed locations were provided as a part of the application.

Utica Limekilns: Mr. David Kroll, CTS-GEC

At the request of Mr. Heustis, Mr. Kroll and Mr. Vlach made a site visit to ACS Signs on August 3, 2016 to approve the fabricated marker prior to storage and payment. The marker supports were approved to continue the fabrication. Once the graphic panels are fabricated, a second visit will be made to approve them.

In coordination with Mr. Jason Bunselmeier, Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) on August 17, 2016, access within the construction site for installation of the marker was resolved. ASC Signs is to contact Mr. Bunselmeier a week prior to being on – site; he will arrange for safety training for ASC Sign personnel prior to installation.

INAAP Igloo Storage Facility: Mr. David Kroll, CTS-GEC

WVC took delivery of the cast marker and mounting post from IHB on August 25, 2016 at the Project Office in Jeffersonville. Subsequently, Ms. Pfeiffer inquired of the installation/dedication event, which is likely to be in November or December 2016. Once the date of installation is known, Mr. Vlach will notify Ms. Pfeiffer. Photographs will also be provided.

Utica Limekiln #48004 and Spring Street Freight House Preservation Easements: Mr. Jeff Vlach, CTS-GEC

Ms. Kennedy indicated that Ms. Jennifer Jansen, INDOT Legal Division, is reviewing the Limekilns easement. She did not know of a schedule to complete this review.

Regarding the SSFH easement, Ms. Marjorie Millman, INDOT Legal Division, is reviewing it with completion near the end of October 2016. Ms. Kennedy indicated that Ms. Millman may contact Mr. Vlach with questions.

Final Meeting Comments: Mr. John Sacksteder, CTS-GEC

Ms. Kennedy and Mr. Carr had no closing comments. The deadline for the receipt of comments is October 6, 2016. The next IHPAT meeting is scheduled for December 7, 2016 at the SSFH and via teleconference. The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 AM.

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KYTC: Rob Harris

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