



Agenda Item Summary

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Agenda Item Title

Discussion Regarding the Redevelopment of Madison Street Public Infrastructure also known as the Madison Street Road Diet.

Overview

The Finance Committee of the Village Board reviewed the FY19 Recommended budget expenditures related to the Madison TIF Fund and the infrastructure improvements on Madison Street on Monday, October 22, 2018. That same presentation is scheduled as part of the Village Board's Special Meeting on October 29, 2018.

Anticipated Future Actions/Commitments

In November 2018 the Village Board will be asked to review and consider a construction contract for Madison Street Public Infrastructure Improvements also known as the Madison Street Road Diet.

Report

The Madison Street TIF was adopted by the Village Board on February 6, 1995.

MADISON STREET ENHANCEMENT PLAN HISTORY:

In October 2010, the Village Board adopted a Resolution supporting the "Complete Streets" concept which recommends that a Village-wide policy be crafted. The Consultant has incorporated this concept into their streetscape recommendation for Madison Street. The complete streets concept is to provide equal opportunity to all modes of transportation which includes bicycling, vehicular, pedestrian, public transportation in order to reduce traffic congestion while improving air quality and in general quality of life.

On November 22, 2010, the Village Board approved a Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with Altamanu, Inc. to Prepare Streetscape Design Scenarios for Madison Street for Phase 1.

In December 2010, the Consultant began work on this project. In early December 2010 staff recommended, and the Board supported, a Committee that consisted of the Madison Street Coalition members as well as various staff for a total of seventeen (17) members. On the most part, this Committee met each month, sometimes twice a month throughout the process until such a time the Consultants had a final product.

In April 2011, the Consultants presented to the Madison Street Business Association. Their reaction was

positive.

In May and June 2011, the Committee along with the Consultant held two public input meetings at Julian Middle School. Approximately 2,500 postcards were mailed to property and business owners along the corridor. Public reaction was mixed. Some concerns were; the project would create more traffic in adjacent neighborhoods, there is a need for a wider roadway for quick trips from one end of Madison Street to the other, and there is a need for more parking for businesses. Those in favor suggest the new street would improve safety for children as many cross Madison Street, safer street for bicyclists, more green space, reduced speeds, etc.

On November 28, 2011, the consultants, staff, and steering committee presented their findings and recommendations for street modifications. The modifications include the “complete streets” concept adopted by the Village Board, a road diet where five lanes (including a landscaped median strip and turn lanes) are reduced to three lanes (including a center turn lane) with bike lanes, as well as streetscape amenities. The streetscape amenities include new pedestrian street lighting, furniture, sidewalks and crosswalk enhancements. The Village Board had several questions for staff and the consultants from this meeting. The responses were provided in early December 2011.

On January 3, 2012 the Village Board adopted a Complete Streets Policy for Village Capital Improvement Projects and Public Improvement Design.

On April 4, 2012, another presentation was made to provide the Village Board with additional requested information and to solicit further direction. Staff recommended that the Village Board support the Committee’s recommendation and proceed with further discussion on streetscape development, whether full development or partial development of the corridor.

On July 29, 2013, Staff presented three street enhancement alternatives for Village Board consideration at a Study Session.

On April 13, 2015, staff gave a presentation to the Village Board on the Madison Street enhancement project along with an overview of the TIF District, zoning, and economic development.

On June 29, 2015, staff gave a presentation to the Village Board on the Madison Street enhancement project and phased implementation plan.

On September 8, 2015, the Village Board approved agreements with Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. for Design Engineering, with Altamanu, Inc. for Landscape Architectural Services, and with V3 Companies of Illinois Ltd. for Surveying Services for the Madison Street Streetscape project.

On April 18, 2016, the Village Board approved an Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. for the design engineering for the Madison Street Streetscape and road diet project for an additional \$360,858

On June 13, 2016 staff presented a review of the Madison Street Streetscape Corridor Design to the Village Board.

Alternatives

Direct staff to provide the Board with any additional information requested.