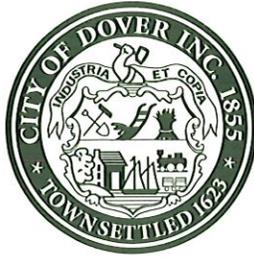


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COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

March 13, 2019

Dear Resident:

The City of Dover began the design process on the Spur Road Reconstruction project in the spring of 2018 with assistance from Underwood Engineers. A public information meeting was held on July 18, 2018 to present the project scope, identify the anticipated schedule and listen to input from residents. During the meeting, the public expressed an interest in a wider road that could accommodate pedestrians and/or bicycles.

Following the meeting, Underwood investigated design concepts for roadway widths in consideration of pedestrian and bicycle facilities. Based on engineering standards, a width of 28 ft would accommodate bicycle facilities or a pedestrian path. Underwood investigated the project impacts of a roadway larger than the current roadway, including tree clearing, embankment grading and fill, Right-of-Way encroachments, wetland impacts and financial constraints. A 28 ft road width requires significant changes to existing conditions and results in impacts well beyond the existing 21 ft wide road. The proposed work for the 28 ft road was also well above available budget funding levels. Since Spur Road is a low volume road, and it will see less traffic after the DOT project is completed, a roadway width greater than 22 ft is not warranted. After reviewing this information, the City elected to proceed with preliminary designs for a road width of 22 ft.

At this time, the preliminary design is completed and permitting is in progress. The City plans to hold a second public meeting Thursday, March 21, 2019 at 6:30 pm at the Dover City Hall Auditorium. Following the meeting, final documents will be prepared for bidding in April or May 2019.

If the bid pricing is within available funding, construction is anticipated for summer 2019. Depending on final pricing, if additional budget appropriations from the FY 2020 Capital Improvements Program are needed the project may be delayed until 2020.

Sincerely,

Dave White, PE
City Engineer