



FIREWEED LANE/LATOUCHE STREET UPGRADE

MEETING NOTES

SUBJECT: Fireweed Lane/LaTouche Street Upgrade W.O. D58819
Public Meeting No. 2

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, March 15, 2006 / 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Rogers Park Elementary School, Multi-Purpose Room

GROUP: 36 Public Members

STAFF PRESENT: DOWL Engineers – Steve Noble, Brad Melocik, Kevin Doniere, Brent Hove,
and Kelly Brown
MOA, PM&E – John Smith and David Gardner
MOA, Traffic – Bob Kniefel and Jennifer Satterfield

MEETING MATERIALS: Project Information, Comment Form, Sign in Sheet, Area Basemap and Markers, Display Boards, and Refreshments

MEETING INFORMATION: The Open House portion of the meeting began at 7:00 p.m. Community members signed in and met with project staff one-on-one to discuss individual issues and concerns

- Steve Noble began the presentation at 7:30 p.m. He started by introducing the project staff members. He explained that the project will address drainage, cut-through traffic, potential traffic calming solutions, access to adjacent properties, and parking issues. Steve described the project purpose is a context sensitive upgrade of Fireweed Lane and LaTouche Street to urban collector standards and to construct pedestrian facilities that meet the criteria of the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- Steve discussed the existing traffic conditions and the comments we have heard to date. He went on to explain the proposed traffic calming features, one of which includes in-pavement lighting. A question was asked how the lighting system would work. Steve described how it is similar to runway lights and will flash when a pedestrian activates the signal.
- A question as to the purpose of textured asphalt was asked. Steve told the group the textured asphalt typically has a rumble strip effect and we are still evaluating this issue so that we do not cause a noise problem after construction.
- A public member asked if there were plans to have a sidewalk on the south side of Fireweed Lane at Juneau Street through Bannister. Steve answered there are no current plans to do so.
- There was a question regarding street maintenance once the road has been built. Steve informed the group that the MOA Street Maintenance department has been involved in the project as a member of the Citizens Advisory Committee and will continue to give us input on the project.

- The remaining portion of the evening consisted of individual discussions and community members gave input to the project staff regarding specific improvements along the project corridor.
- Additional comments were illustrated on the project map by community members and staff.

The meeting ended at 9:00 p.m.

Attachments: Sign-in sheet