

VILLAGE OF DOBBS FERRY BOARD OF TRUSTEES AGENDA

MEETING DATE: OCTOBER 26, 2021

AGENDA ITEM SECTION: PRESENTATIONS

AGENDA ITEM NO.: 2

AGENDA ITEM: MAIN STREET SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS BY

GEORGE POMMER/HAHN ENGINEERING

ITEM BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

1. MEMORANDUM DATED OCTOBER 21, 2021 FROM OFFICE OF THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO MAYOR ROSSILLO AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

2. MAIN STREET PHOTO PLAN

Village of Dobbs Ferry

Mayor Vincent Rossillo

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Village Administrator Richard Leins

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From: Office of the Village Administrator

To: Mayor Rossillo and the Board of Trustees

Re: Main Street Streetscape Improvement Project

Date: October 21, 2021

In February 2020, the Village issued a bid for the Main Street Streetscape Improvement Project. At that stage, the Village had obtained \$305,000 in New York State Department of Transportation grant funds to apply toward the project. By the time the bids were returned, the COVID-19 pandemic had set in, and the Village chose to postpone the project until the financial consequences of the health crisis were clear.

In the interim, the Village was able to apply \$245,000 in additional grant funds toward the project resulting in a total grant amount of \$550,000 for 80% of the project construction and inspection costs. A 20% match from the Village is required. Therefore, to maximize the grant award, a project cost of \$687,500 will require a \$137,500 match.

At this time, the Board needs to decide whether to move forward with the project.

The expected timeline for the project is the following:

- Issue Project Bid November 2021
- Identify contractor December 2021
- Project start February 2022
- Project duration 6 months
- Grant deadline Project must be completed by December 2022

Changes to Bid Specifications:

The attached drawings were used for the issuance of the prior bid request in February 2020. There are a several changes to consider:

1) Tree wells: The tree wells will be wider than the current wells on Main Street to allow additional light and water to reach the tree roots. The tree wells specified in these drawings are 4ft x 8ft. Instead of mulch, as specified in the original bid, the Village would like to include a Rubberway material that has been used in Bronxville as recommended by landscape designer Suzanne Nolan. The material was also endorsed by landscape ecologist Rusty Schmidt from the Village Planning firm, Nelson Pope

Voorhis. The Village proposes an alternate bid option for metal tree grates which would also protect the trees from compaction, allow air and water to penetrate to the roots. Tree grates are more expensive and tend to break, however are preferred by some from an aesthetic perspective.

- 2) Trees: The Village met with the Tree Consortium in Fall 2019 to discuss tree selection, and again in September 2021 to revisit tree options with the Village's landscape design consultant, Suzanne Nolan. Three tree selections were made:
 - Pink Flowering Cherry (Prunus Sargentii Pink Flair)
 - Japanese Tree Lilac (Syringa Retculata Summer Snow)
 - Japanese Zelkova Wireless (Zelkova Schmidtblow Wireless)
- 3) Low Carbon Concrete: At the request of the Board, Hahn Engineering has researched low carbon concrete options for sidewalks and has determined that for this project, a concrete mix that includes 20% slag will both reduce the carbon content for the project while also meeting New York State Department of Transportation specification requirements.

Additional points:

- The removal of trees will be shocking for many residents. With the assistance of arborist Wayne Cahilly and Landscape Designer Suzanne Nolan, the Village has identified 4 trees that can possibly be saved in the course of the project. The remainder will be removed and replaced with new trees as specified above.
- The project will take six months to complete and will be extremely disruptive for downtown commerce.
- The sidewalks, however, are in major need of replacement. Insurance companies have threatened multiple property owners in the downtown area with cancellation of coverage if tripping hazards caused by the surging roots of the street trees are not ameliorated and cracks repaired. The Village has assisted with temporary fixes, and expects this to be an ongoing concern going forward.
- The Main Street project will make the sidewalks ADA compliant and easier for people of all abilities to navigate.

We look forward to your decision on whether to move forward with this project now or forego the grant funds available for this project.

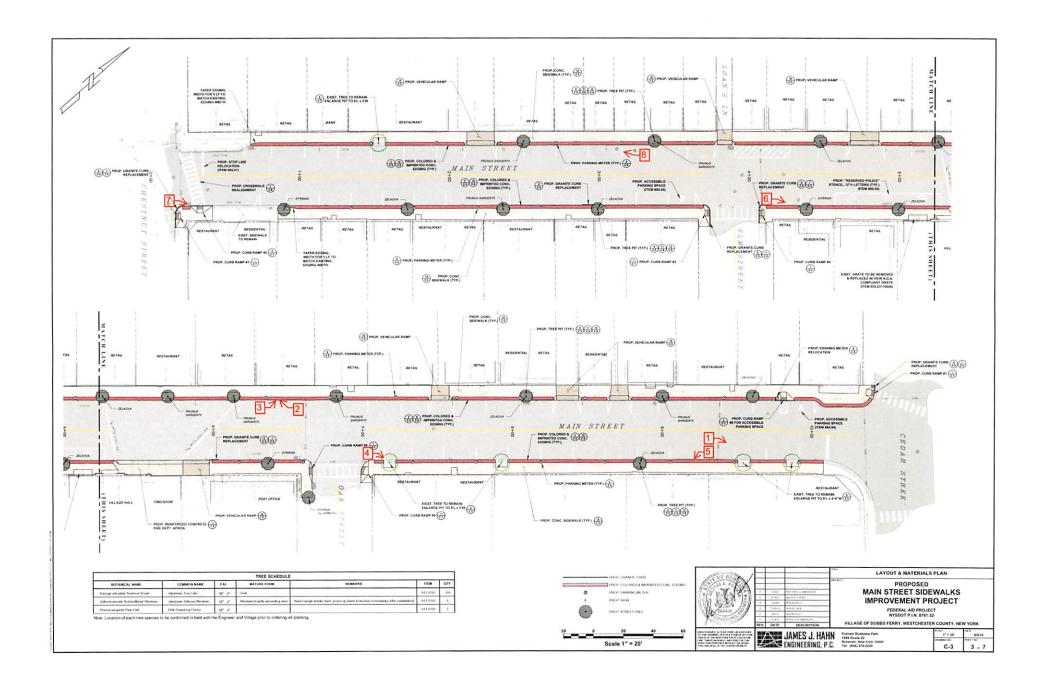




PHOTO 1: EXISTING ZELKOVAS TO REMAIN NEAR 146 MAIN STREET



PHOTO 2: EXISTING TREE AT 123 MAIN STREET TO BE REMOVED



PHOTO 3: OVERHEAD WIRES IMPACTING TREE LIMBS



PHOTO 4: EXISTING HONEY LOCUST TO REMAIN AT CORNER OF OAK & MAIN



PHOTO 5: BARE SOIL AND SIDEWALK HEAVE AT EXISTING TREE PITS



PHOTO6 : EXISTING SIDEWALK PITCHED TOWARDS 102-104 MAIN STREET

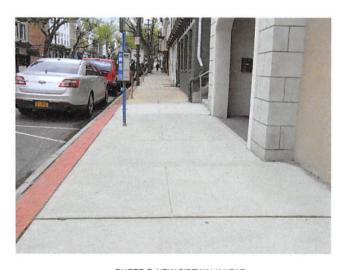


PHOTO 7: NEW SIDEWALK NEAR 78 MAIN STREET



PHOTO 8: LOW OVERHEAD WIRES NEAR 97 MAIN STREET

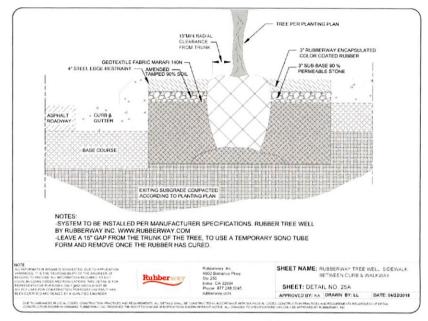
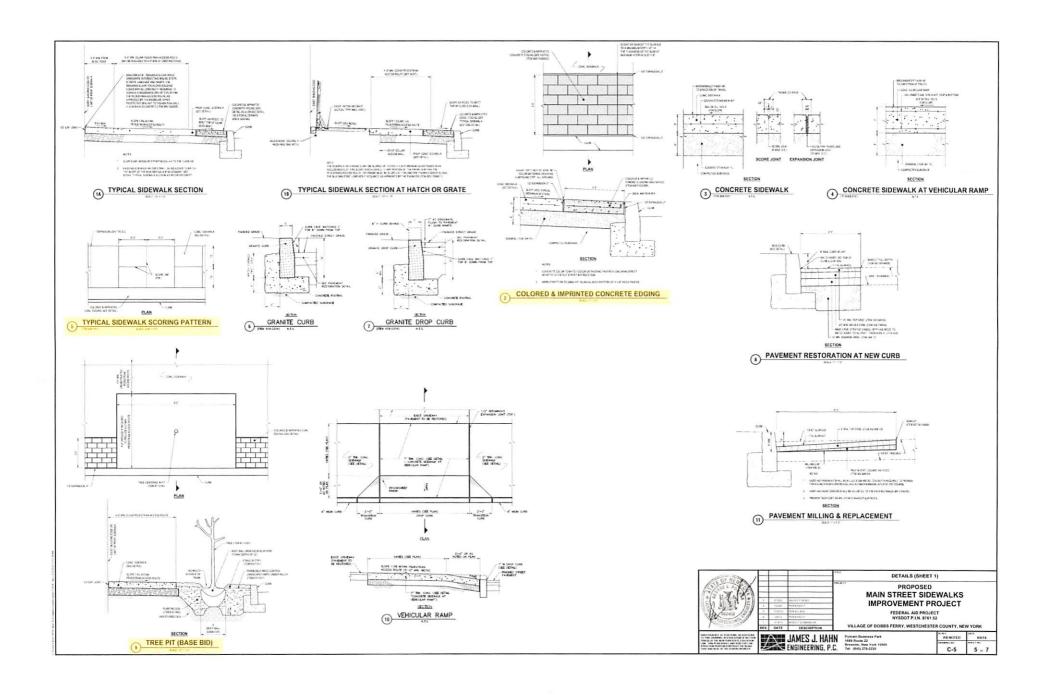
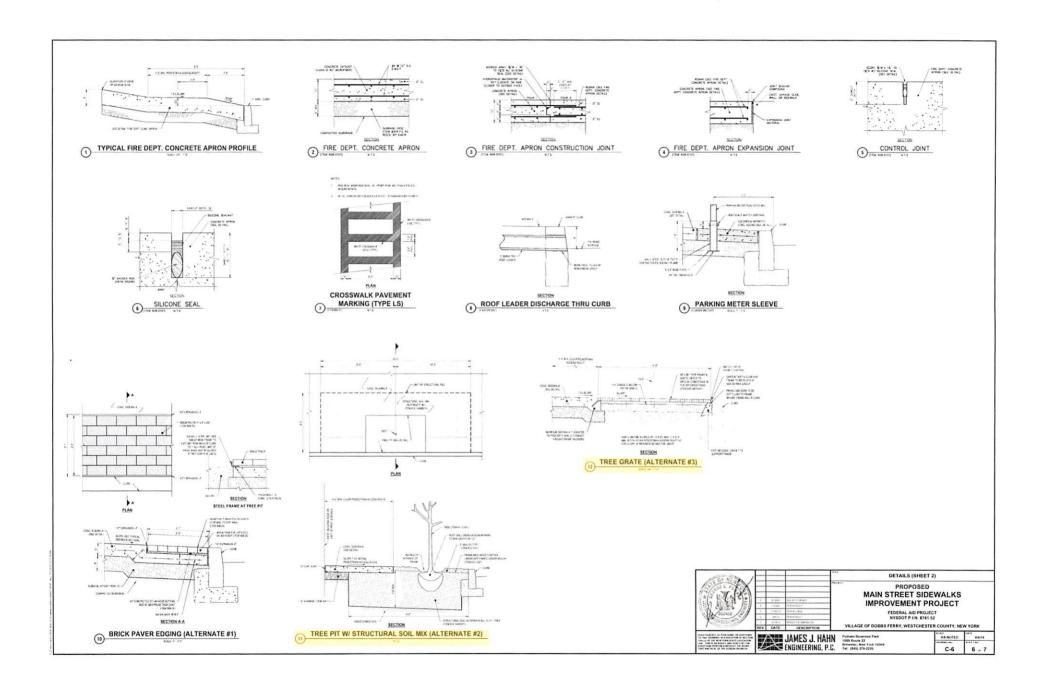






PHOTO: NEW TREE PIT WITH POROUS ASPHALT IN BRONXVILLE





Main Street Streetscape Improvements Village of Dobbs Ferry Budget Summary

Oct. 18, 2021

	Base Bld		Base + Tree Grates		Base + All Alts.		To Max. DOT Contribution	
Project Low Bidder								
(Con-Tech, 03/2020)								
Base Bid (Sidewalks & Trees)	\$	562,530	\$	562,530	\$	562,530	\$	562,530
Alternate 1 (Brick Pavers)					\$	17,505		
Alternate 2 (Structural Soil)					\$	28,800		
Alternate 3 (Tree Grates)			\$	105,000	\$	105,000	\$	40,570
Total	\$	562,530	\$	667,530	\$	713,835	\$	603,100
Construction Inspection Costs								
(15% of base bid cost)	\$	84,400	\$	84,400	\$	84,400	\$	84,400
Project Cost					_		-	
(Construction + Inspection)	\$	646,930	\$	751,930	\$	798,235	\$	687,500
Original NYSDOT Contribution	\$	305,000	\$	305,000	\$	305,000	\$	305,000
Maximum NYSDOT Contribution								•
(through project consolidation)	\$	550,000	\$	550,000	\$	550,000	\$	550,000
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(80% of project up to \$550,000)	\$	517,544	\$	550,000	\$	550,000	\$	550,000
Minimum Village Contribution			_		-	· ·		
(20% of project or \$137,500)	\$	129,386	\$	137,500	\$	137,500	\$	137,500
Additional Village Contribution	\$	-	\$	64,430	\$	110,735	\$	-
Total Village Contribution	\$	129,386	\$	201,930	\$	248,235	\$	137,500

To maximize DOT contribution of \$550,000, the Village must contribute \$137,500.

Rubberway Alternate	Unit	U	nit Cost	Quantity	Total
Cost of Materials	SF	\$	11.82	900	\$ 10,638
Cost Installed	SF	\$	24.00	900	\$ 21,600