

**City of Warrenville – IL Route 56 Streetscape Enhancement
Summary of Public Involvement**

Please note all City Council, Community Development Committee, Finance and Legislative Committee, Plan Commission, Route 56 Streetscape Workgroup, and Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission meetings are public meetings with published Agendas, and include opportunities for public questions, comments and input.

Meeting Date	Meeting Description
2007	City Council Following multiple public workshop and public hearing meetings, the City Council unanimously adopted the Old Town/Civic Center Subarea Plan as part of the City Comprehensive Land Use Plan. The Subarea Plan outlines a clear vision for the Route 56 corridor and contains specific design recommendations related to the pending IDOT Route 56 reconstruction and expansion project in Warrenville.
2/4/08	City Council The City Council discussed and passed a resolution as a document that formalized the City's position on future expansion of Route 56 and summarized suggested changes to IDOT's proposed Phase I engineering plans. One of the key suggestions was a boulevard design for the Route 56 between the DuPage River and Warrenville Road (Old Town/Civic Center area) to facilitate improved pedestrian and bicyclists' safety.
3/18/08	IDOT Public Hearing at Arrowhead Golf Course in Wheaton on Phase I Design Drawings.
7/27/09	Community Development Committee: Recommended creation of Route 56 Streetscape Workgroup. Staff was directed to organize streetscape workgroup consisting of representatives from City Council, Public Works, Community Development, Bike & Pedestrian Commission, Plan Commission and America in Bloom.
8/3/09	City Council Accepted Community Development Committee recommendation to authorize staff to organize Route 56 Streetscape Workgroup and designate a City Council representative for establishment of a streetscape workgroup to evaluate and provide recommendations on potential streetscape-related enhancements for the Route 56 expansion project.

- 8/6/09 Plan Commission
Assigned a Commissioner to act as Plan Commission liaison for Route 56 Streetscape Workgroup, in an effort to make informed decisions on enhancements the City will work with IDOT to incorporate into final design drawings.
- 9/16/09 Route 56 Streetscape Workgroup Meeting
The Workgroup reviewed specific assignments, status of project, components of Old Town/Civic Center Subarea Plan that address the Route 56 corridor, and existing and future City budget resources and constraints. The Workgroup recommended staff prepare a Request for Proposals/Qualifications for a qualified consultant to assist in these assignments.
- 9/28/09 Community Development Committee
City staff provided an update to the Community Development Committee of the Route 56 Streetscape Workgroup meeting of 9/16/09, and presented the draft RFP/Q for review.
- 10/21/09 Route 56 Streetscape Workgroup Meeting
Review of the status of the IDOT Route 56 project and design plans.
- 10/29/09 Route 56 Streetscape Workgroup Meeting
Evaluated RFP/Q proposals from various landscape architect consultants and selected firms for interview process.
- 11/5/09 Route 56 Streetscape Workgroup Meeting
Conduct interviews of three landscape architect consultant firms: Lakota Group, Conservation Design Forum, and Hitchcock Design Group.
- 11/10/09 Route 56 Streetscape Workgroup Meeting
Formalize recommendation on scope of work and consultant team with which the City Council is to consider executing a formal Professional Services Agreement.
- 11/16/09 City Council
Per recommendation of the Route 56 Streetscape Workgroup, Hitchcock Design Group's proposal was approved for professional assistance in streetscape improvement design, decision making, and IDOT design coordination assistance.
- 11/19/09 Plan Commission
City staff provided comprehensive update on the status of the Route 56 Streetscape Workgroup efforts, status of IDOT's design, and addressed questions.
- 12/8/09 Route 56 Streetscape Workgroup Meeting
The Rout 56 Streetscape Workgroup conducted its first meeting with the Hitchcock Design Group consultant team to discuss project goals and objectives, scope of work and preliminary project schedule, and IDOT schedule and coordination.

- 1/5/10 Bicycle Advisory & Pedestrian Advisory Commission (BAPAC)
Route 56 Streetscape Workgroup representative updated the BAPAC of the most recent developments relating to the Workgroup and addressed questions.
- 2/9/10 Route 56 Streetscape Workgroup Meeting
Discussion of the Route 56 Project status, including categorization of potential streetscape enhancements as (i) basic priority items that would be incorporated into the IDOT Route 56 Project, (ii) short-term priority items that would be performed by the City in conjunction with or immediately following the IDOT Route 56 Project, and (iii) long-term priority items that would be done by the City at some point in the future, as funding allows. Discussion also included order of magnitude cost estimates for the different streetscape enhancement options and Workgroup preferences on the different streetscape enhancement options.
- 3/2/10 Route 56 Streetscape Workgroup Meeting
Review of IDOT’s landscape plans and formulation of more detailed streetscape improvement recommendations.
- 3/8/10 Community Development Committee
City staff provided an update regarding the Workgroup’s continued review and analysis of the proposed landscape plan, staff’s communication with IDOT, utility conflicts, and landscape maintenance responsibilities.
- 3/15/10 City Council
City staff provided a synopsis of the Route 56 Streetscape Workgroup’s Phase I recommendations, under the guidance of Hitchcock Design Group, discussed funding options and maintenance responsibilities. Discussion also included the Rockwell Street realignment, Calumet Avenue vacation, sidepath installation, coordination with the Forest Preserve District, maintenance costs, and stamped concrete crosswalks at all signalized intersections. City Council voted to (i) negotiate an intergovernmental agreement with IDOT to proceed with basic priority streetscape enhancements constructed by IDOT and funded by the City,(ii) obtain engineering proposals for Rockwell Street realignment, and (iii) attempt to negotiate an intergovernmental agreement with DuPage County Division of Transportation for the Rockwell Street reconfiguration.
- 3/18/10 Plan Commission
City staff summarized the Workgroup’s recommendations as to specific allocation of City funding related to the Route 56 streetscape enhancements. Staff also provided an update on the Workgroup’s plans to finalize the landscape plan and outline detailed short and long-term enhancement recommendations, including the City monument sign and street lighting.
- 5/10/10 Community Development Committee
City staff provided an update on the City’s negotiations for modifications of IDOT’s overall design plans. The Committee discussed maintenance of the sound wall and

landscaping abutting the property owners along Route 56, and the Forest Preserve District's position regarding their responsibility for maintenance of new landscaping.

- 7/12/10 Community Development Committee
City staff updated the CDC on status of the project, namely IDOT's commitment to install landscape plantings provided the City accepts long-term maintenance responsibility, and staff's continued review of design drawings with adjacent property owners, Hitchcock and IDOT representatives.
- 7/21/10 Route 56 Streetscape Workgroup Meeting
Review and discussion of "baseline" landscape plans and staff/consultant review comments and recommendations, defined specific Workgroup recommendations to advance to City Council at upcoming Committee of the Whole Meeting. Discussion of Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program grant application opportunity.
- 7/26/10 Finance & Personnel Committee (FPC) Meeting
Dir. Mentzer outlined the three main recommendations of the Workgroup, namely (i) that Hitchcock Design Group prepares the City's proposed final landscape plan, (ii) that Dir. Mentzer send formal communication to IDOT on the City's position on the draft landscape plan; and (iii) that the City apply for an Illinois Transportation Enhancement Grant Program for aid in funding the project. The FPC recommended that City Council adopt the recent recommendations of the Route 56 Streetscape Workgroup.
- 8/2/10 City Council
The City Council passed a motion authorizing City staff to work with Hitchcock Design Group to develop and submit an ITEP grant application for the City's proposed comprehensive set of Route 56 streetscape enhancements.
- 8/16/10 City Council
The City Council passed a resolution supporting the Route 56 Streetscape Workgroup recommendations regarding Route 56 streetscape enhancements.