



**CITY OF GROVEPORT
REPORT TO MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

August 16, 2023

Engineering Department – Steve Farst

I am out of the office the week of August 25-29, returning on September 5 (day after labor day), on vacation.

- **Capital Projects:**

2023 Street Maintenance
Program

Work under the program is described:

- Pavement reconstruction is complete as of date of this memo for:
 - Portions of Maple Street between Front St. and Private Alley and Walnut St and Brook Alley.
 - Private Alley from Blacklick St to Hickory Alley
 - Municipal Parking Lot. On this lot significant undercut was req'd due to poor soils.
 - Alley approaches at Maple St./Front St and Private Alley and Elm Street and at Blacklick Street.
 - Elmont Pl. and Edge Grove Dr.
- Spot Curb replacements are complete on portions of Elmont Pl. and on portions of Edge Grove Drive
- Curb ramp corrections are complete (as they were needed) on certain ramps on Elmont Pl. and Edge Grove.
- Pavement repairs on SR 317 at the Groveport Rd intersection and the Hendron Road intersection are completed.
- Work on resurfacing the Golf Course entry drive will occur in mid-September per request of Golf Dept. Weather may affect schedule.

Groveport Municipal Golf
Cart paths

Work is completed; landscape repairs are complete.

SR 317 at Rohr Rd

This is a Franklin County Engineer's Office project. The intersection is Closing for 75-days for reconstruction of the intersection. The outcome will be a Round-About. The FCEO began closure (for 75-days_ to begin 7/17/23.

- **Port Road Phase 2** Preparation is underway of a funding application to the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) (District 3) for reconstruction of the pavement section and other ancillary items on Port Road (to be known as Phase 2, Port Rd, as phase 1 was completed in 2014). Application is due on Sept. 1. The improvement segment will be from Spiegel Dr. to Rohr Rd). If funded by District 3, construction would likely occur in Spring/Summer of 2025. A public meeting for area businesses was held on Thursday August 10. Meeting minutes and an illustration of the project area are attached. Comments and letters of support were encouraged at the public meeting.

- **Bridge Inspections** Are underway on the Golf course bridges, the pedestrian bridge along Main Street, and the culvert under SR 317 that carries Hendron Ditch

- **Development Projects:**

Redwood Apts. Hendron

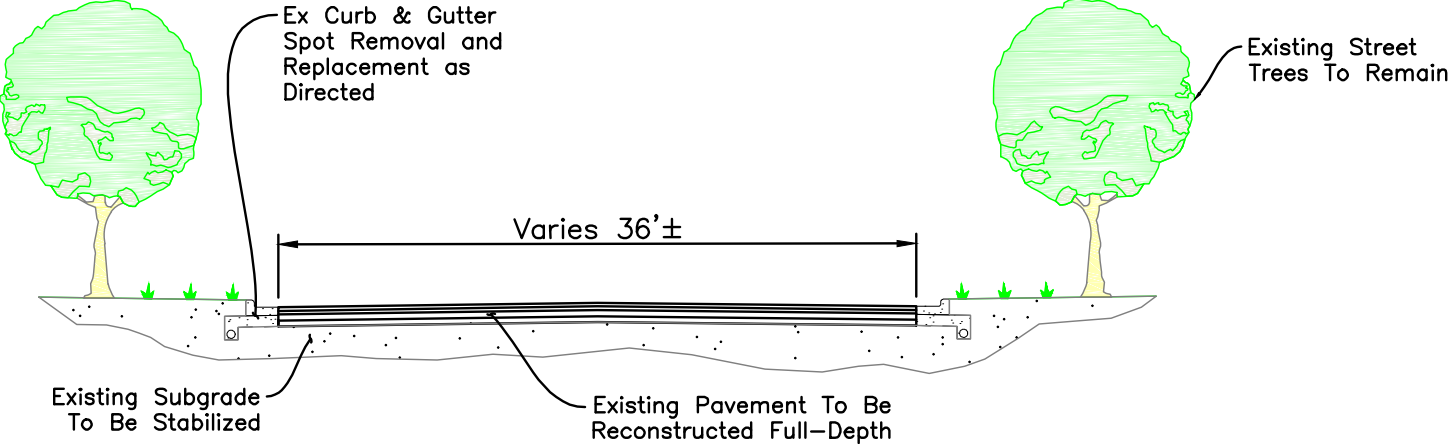
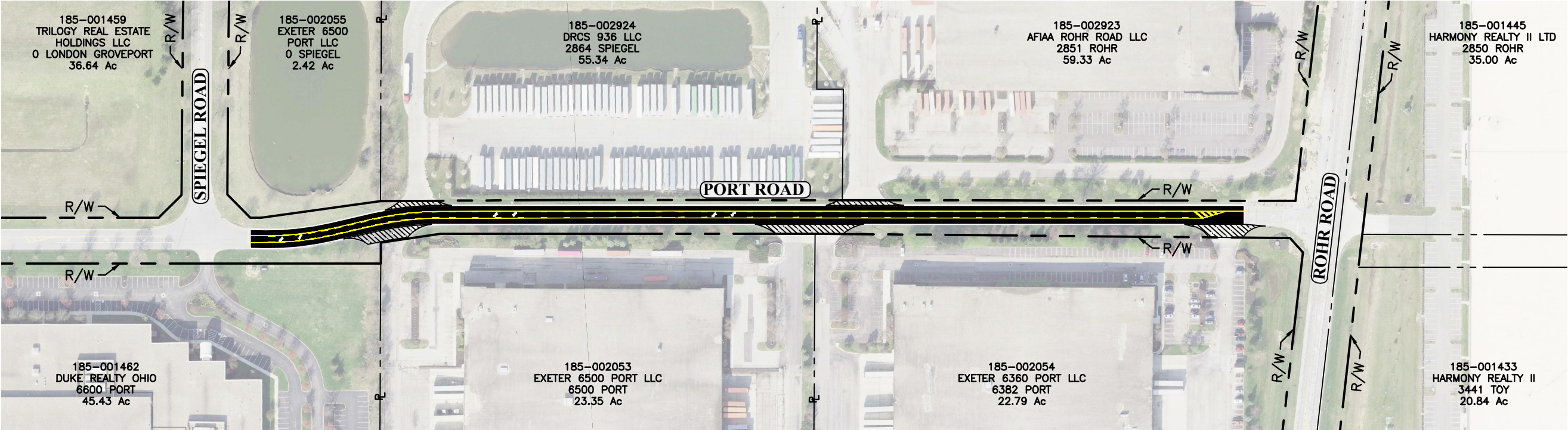
Site construction continues. Installation of the public water main extension and sewer main along the roadway frontage is complete. Building construction still is proceeding.

Hendron Rd Animal Hospital

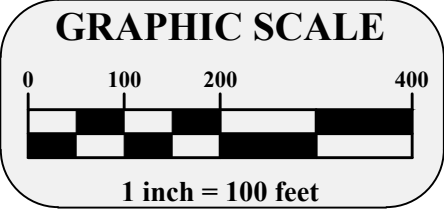
Site work is underway.

Please contact Steve Farst with any questions or concerns.

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CITY OF GROVEPORT, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO
EXHIBIT

FOR
PORT ROAD PHASE 2 - OPWC

ISSUE 2 APPLICATION FY25

DATE: AUGUST 2023

SCALE: 1" = 100'

JOB NO.: 2023-0654

Public Meeting

Port Road Reconstruction Phase 2 Project City of Groveport

August 10, 2023

1:00 p.m.

**City of Groveport – Council Chambers
655 Blacklick Street, Groveport, Ohio 43125**

Staff Present: Steve Farst, City Engineer; Brian Strayer, Public Services Director; Jason Carr, Finance Director; Kris Collins, Engineering Coordinator

Attendees Present: Erik Meininger, EMH&T, Doug Williams, ALMO

Materials Distributed: Meeting agenda, Project Questionnaire, sample template letters of support

Steve Farst, City Engineer, introduced himself and other city employees at the meeting, and Erik Meininger with EMH&T, who is the City's consultant for this project.

Mr. Farst stated the public meeting was being held to inform the public, residents and business owners of a proposed roadway improvement project in the City of Groveport, known as the Port Road Reconstruction Phase 2 Project. The proposed project will address a particular segment of Port Road, being between Spiegel Drive and Rohr Road (to the north). Port Road was initially constructed in 1997-98, and is now over 25 years old.

Mr. Farst explained that the City approaches street improvements using a strategic method to address, with a combination of street pavement maintenance treatments and street pavement removal and replacement, those streets that are most in need of improvement due to pavement distresses and failure. He explained, the City completed a pavement rating study back in 2013, with a recent update in 2020. The study evaluated public street pavements in the City's jurisdiction, assigning a score to street pavement surfaces street-by-street, using an ODOT-based method of evaluation. Considered were pavement distresses, wear patterns, damage, and overall condition. Mr. Farst explained that streets are given a "condition rating", and that this section of Port Road currently has a "Fair to Poor" condition rating.

This project, Mr. Farst explained, is identified as Phase 2 (to Port Road), as Phase 1 improvements were made in 2014. That improvement extended from near the intersection of SR 317, north to the intersection with Spiegel Drive.

He explained that the City of Groveport is applying for funding for this Phase 2 project to the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC). He reviewed the general process stating that municipalities can nominate projects for funding on a yearly basis.

He further explained that Spiegel Drive, and Port Road from SR-317 to Spiegel Drive, had been granted OPWC funding in 2013-14 for roadway improvements.

Mr. Farst introduced Erik Meininger with EMH&T to provide a brief overview of the OPWC administered infrastructure program funding. Mr. Meininger explained that the funds are made available in a competitive application process, issued through the State Capital Improvement Program (SCIP) and Local Transportation Improvement Program (LTIP). He mentioned that the application program is held annually with applications for funding filed to the OPWC, in September. This year's due date is September 1, 2023. The City's application for this project will be considered among many applications from many communities with the District (Franklin County), filed for the same program funds. All applications are reviewed, scored and ranked, and then recommendations for project funding are made through the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC).

Mr. Meininger explained the proposed project improvement (from Spiegel Drive to a point south of Rohr Rd) will involve:

- Complete reconstruction of the pavement section, including the concrete base and asphalt pavement layers, between the existing curb line.
- Excavate to the subgrade/soil and performing subgrade stabilization.
- Curbs will be replaced in kind. Spot repair on driveway approaches will be made as needed, with work limited to areas contained in the right-of-way.
- There will not be any roadway width changes; no new drive lanes.
- Spot repair on existing storm inlet structures.
- Maintenance of traffic will be included, so affected business can access their properties.
- Some minor detour routes could be in place.

Mr. Farst identified that the estimated cost of the project is between \$1,300,000 and \$1,700,000.

Mr. Farst described the schedule for funding. Applications are due on September 1, 2023, to Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission who will then score the project applications in a competitive process against other Franklin County municipalities. Scores will be revealed the first or second week in December, 2023. At that point, the City will have a better understanding of whether or not the project will be funded. If funded, the City will be formally notified by January, 2024, at the earliest. Engineering design would take place in 2024, and construction would likely begin in the spring of 2025.

The intent of the improvement is to complete street reconstruction that was performed in the first phase (2014), to connect two previously improved roadways: Spiegel Drive and a portion of Port Road, south of Spiegel Drive to SR 317. Rohr Road has been recently improved and widened by the Franklin County Engineer's Office, which included improving the intersection of Port Road and Rohr Road.

Questions:

Mr. Williams asked what strengthens the score of an application?

Mr. Farst replied that the funding agency views letters of support for the project from area businesses as important; evaluation criteria include local support from private and public entities.

Letters and questionnaires are requested to be sent to the City (and the City's consultant) by August 25, 2023, in order to be included in the application.

Mr. Williams asked what the is the timeframe of the project?

If funded, Engineering design would occur during 2024, and the project would go out for bid in the Spring of 2025. Construction would begin in the summer of 2025. As to duration of construction, Farst indicated that construction activities would begin in the Spring and continue throughout the summer, wrapping up in the fall of 2025.

Other comments made:

Street lighting, is this in the scope of the improvement?: No. Street lighting is owned by South Central Power, who recently updated and replaced street lighting.

Storm sewer lines: The City's Service department will soon perform internal pipe inspections of storm sewers using underground cameras. Defects noted will be examined and improvements planned for if required.

The attendees were asked to sign-in for the attendance and invited to take away Sample "letters of support", and a comment form.

The meeting concluded around 1:30 p.m.



City of Groveport

Sign In Sheet

Name of Meeting: PUBLIC MEETING - PORT ROAD RECONSTRUCTION PHASE 2 PROJECT

Date and Time: Thursday, August 10, 2023 @ 1:00 PM, Groveport Municipal Building

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