

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

WisDOT ID 7575-09-01/71
WIS 16, La Crosse Street
USH 53 to STH 35
City of La Crosse

Purpose

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to foster a proactive working relationship between the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) and the City of La Crosse. This working relationship will help achieve the integration of planning and the overall design of the corridor. This approach is also intended to encourage early coordination and cooperation between WisDOT and the City of La Crosse to help make informed decisions, eliminate requirements for local permits, avoid delays and duplicate efforts, mitigate potential conflicts, and to aid in the planning and future project development decisions.

Early Coordination and Cooperation Activities

Early coordination activities in this process will include, to the maximum extent practicable, the following:

- Pavement borings will be required for determining an effective pavement design. These borings along with associated traffic control will be completed by WisDOT subsurface exploration crews. WisDOT will coordinate with the City's Street Superintendent to be on site at the time of boring operations to ensure boreholes are completed per standard WisDOT policy. Standard WisDOT policy is to backfill/fill the bore holes by shoveling and tamping drill cuttings and will replace the borehole with the same pavement thickness as is currently present.
 - Upon completion of these operations, WisDOT and the City of La Crosse will monitor these locations for any failures. If failures are observed, WisDOT will then repair the failed location per City of La Crosse specifications to a minimum patch size of 6 feet by 6 feet.
- Various survey and staking work will be required along the corridor. These include, but are not limited to; utility surveys, topographical surveys, and Right-Of-Way monumentation. WisDOT will provide the City of La Crosse advanced notification of these tasks to the best of their ability.
- Property Owner/Business Meetings will be held as the City of La Crosse and the department develop the preferred typical section alternative and identifies transportation needs throughout the corridor. WisDOT will work directly with the City of La Crosse to plan these meetings and gather input from various stakeholders.
- A regular monthly project working meeting will be held with the WisDOT project team and the City of La Crosse Public Works/Engineering Staff to provide a forum for input on alternative selection. The timing and frequency of these meetings may be adjusted to meet project milestone delivery dates.
- A State/Municipal Financial Agreement will be developed to document project cost responsibilities.

Agreement

The signatories to this MOU are committed to providing pertinent information and performing meaningful and efficient planning that are pertinent to the decision-making process of on the WIS 16 project. This coordination and cooperation, along with effective public involvement, will address the corridor’s transportation needs for years to come. Early coordination among all interested parties is essential to the success of future plans and projects.

Signatories

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