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Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 2:23 PM
To: Daniel Sarnoff; Gino Frabasile
Cc: Alex Auld
Subject: RE: Rockland Avenue
Attachments: Capture.JPG

Hi Dan,

If it's the area highlighted in the attached, that's a good location to meet and mobilize. There would be enough room for everyone to park using on-street parking on Fayette. We agree that the walking assessment is important. If you would like us to revise the proposal to add it as an additional task, we can amend the proposal and include scope and budget for it. Or, we can conduct it using our miscellaneous task without needing to revise the proposal. Either way, we will lead it or take whatever role the Village needs.

Thanks,
Matt

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Matt:

I think the walking assessment is important and we talked about it in November last year.

We can ask Sara Neuman, but I think in the post-COVID world, they may be reluctant to let their facility be used as an area for congregation. The Village owns parking at the dead end of Fayette which we can block off.

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Hi Dan,

No, but we can do that under our management/misc task. It involves front-loading the crash study and some logistics from me/Alex, attending the audit, and a report documenting everyone else's photos and notes. We can lead it but would ask that the Village handles scheduling, attendance, invitations, and any venue (for example, could we meet at Sarah Neuman to use their lobby and parking lot to start the audit?).

Thanks,
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Matt:

Does this include leading the walking safety assessment with the stakeholders like was done for Mamaroneck Avenue School at Rye Neck?

Thx
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Hi Dan,

Alex (copied) assisted with the proposal and it's attached. We had to increase the fee from my earlier estimate because the other studies we did for \$10k were single intersection ones, and this is four intersections. Let us know if you have any questions or comments, and have a great weekend,

Matt

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Matt:
Can your provide the proposal as indicated below?
Thx
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Subject: RE: Rockland Avenue

Hi Dan,

Just following up on the question below. Should AKRF plan on leading the walkability assessment or just participate? In the past for VOM we have only participated, but for other clients we have led. Hope you both had a good weekend,

Matt

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Subject: RE: Rockland Avenue

Hi Dan,

Quite the coincidence! I had a scrap of paper next to my keyboard that I was looking at going back to last fall with my notes, and realized I should catch up.

We will provide a proposal for a traffic calming and safety study using our past fee of \$10k. I would wait until weather warms up, but the scheduling the walkability assessment can happen now since we'll want one of you two or Jerry, Chief DiRuzza or another from PD, someone from AKRF, perhaps a Trustee, and a couple members of the TSC to make the date before publicizing to the neighborhood residents. Since Shannon Hughes (used to be Shannon Purdy) from NHTSA has moved to White Plains, do you want AKRF to lead the walkability assessment? We could do that using our ongoing management/miscellaneous task and not need to do a proposal.

Thanks,
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Matt:

The traffic commission met last night and I brought this up with them as they had an item on their agenda about a crosswalk at Rockland & Harmon. I mentioned that it would be nice to look at all of this in the context of the previously

discussed walk through and they want to have the walking assessment. Is it better to wait for the spring when the weather improves and there may be more children walking to and from the school?

Either way, if you can get me a proposal that would be appreciated.

Thx
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Hi Dan and Gino,

I'm just following up to see if the Traffic Safety Commission has considered organizing a walking safety assessment and if we can be of assistance.

Thanks,
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I just met with our Village Engineer and Matt Carmody from AKRF to talk about Rockland and there are a number of items that make Rockland Avenue somewhat more complex than other areas. One of his associates visited the area of the weekend and spoke to several residents. Some of the issues include the following:

- Sidewalk on the west side (Harmon Drive side)
 - Continuation of the sidewalk would require the construction of a retaining wall as it approaches the incline to Metro-North Bridge.
 - Potential coordination with Metro-North.
 - Maintenance of access for the homeowners at dead end of the former path of Rockland Avenue (one of the homeowners has a boat which he needs to maneuver in and out).
 - An easement would be required with the owner of 505 Rockland as the property extends across the roadway.
- Sidewalk on the east side (Rockland Avenue_)
 - Construction of a new sidewalk may require significant rock removal.
 - Potential coordination with Metro-North.
 - Relocation of water utility (there is a hydrant in front of 529 Rockland).
 - An easement would be required with the owner of 505 Rockland as the sidewalk would be on his property.

I also asked about the crosswalk and Rockland/Harmon/Waverly and there are some issues as well. At the north west corner, a new curb cut would need to be installed facing Waverly, but where it would let out on Waverly is an issue. On the southwest corner, there is an existing curb cut, but it also leads to an area with parked cars.

Matt suggested that a good place to start would be for the Traffic Safety Commission to conduct a walkability study like it did in various neighborhoods in 2018. Attendance at those studies included TSC members, Safe Routes to School members, PD, and elected officials. Those assessments have led to the following projects

- Fenimore/Prospect Safety Improvements
- Mamaroneck Avenue Pedestrian Improvements
 - Phase 1 to be completed in 2023
 - Phase 2 (and possibly 3) to be completed in 2025
- Halstead Avenue Improvements (TAP Grant of approximately \$4,000,000)

We prepared conceptual plans for other projects as well including Old Post Road, Orienta neighborhood, Washingtonville.

Matt noted that AKRF could assist the Village in leading an walkability study which would allow you to meet with residents and hear their concerns. If you would like to do something like this, let me know and I can get a proposal. I would suggest that it include the section of Rockland from the Town border to the Metro-North bridge, as well as the side streets from the Town border to Rockland (e.g. Harmon Drive and Hickory Grove).

Let me know how you want to proceed. I can review this with the TSC at the next meeting if you like.

Thx
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