

NOTES FROM JUNE 14, 2017 MEETING WITH TOLLWAY OFFICIALS

- On Wednesday, June 14, 2017, at 3 pm at the Village Hall, Mayor Straub, Community Development Director Doug Pollock, Public Works Director David Preissig and Assistant to the Administrator Evan Walter met with Rocco Zuccherro, Nicole Nutter, Ryan Anderson, and Jeff Stanko, all representing the Tollway Authority and the Central Tri-State Tollway Project.
- Perhaps the most significant information provided was that the Tollway anticipates determining the maximum right of way required, utility needs and completion of a noise analysis in the Fall of 2017. This would mean that any properties that may need to be purchased by the Tollway would be identified.
- Simple reconstruction was considered with a budget of \$1.9 billion. In May, the Tollway Board approved a \$4 billion corridor resurfacing and widening. This includes an interior flex-lane and an added lane in each direction. The tollway wants to make I-294 look like what I-90 does now. The design process for the project will be a 2 to 3 year process.
- The mile long bridge south of Burr Ridge and the BNSF Railroad bridge north of Burr Ridge may begin construction in 2019.
- The Tollway authorities said that if the Village wanted a bike lane or similar marking on the Plainfield Road bridge, that they should make that determination soon.
- They intend to keep the same number of lanes open throughout the construction event.
- I-294 will begin construction on North Avenue southbound interchange in 2018.
- In response to a question from the tollway officials, Village staff strongly discouraged the possibility of a 55th Street interchange.
- The tollway officials mentioned the survey being distributed. Village staff noted it was placed on our web site.
- Mayor Straub suggested unique markings on the bridges and/or wall that would identify the State of Illinois or its Lincoln heritage.
- In response to Mr. Pollock, Ms. Nutter said that any existing breaches in the sound wall should be reported to the tollway now and they will be addressed.
- Mr. Pollock suggested that the new sound wall be the first part of the project. Mr. Zuccherro said that they prefer to do the walls first but sometimes they are construction logistics that preclude all of the walls being completed in the first phase.
- There was a discussion regarding the Oasis and Village staff reiterated Burr Ridge's position that the Oasis should be eliminated and if not eliminated, revenues should be shared with the Villages that are directly impacted by the Oasis. Tollway officials said that the over the road portion of the oasis will be eliminated but they are not sure about the rest of the Oasis.
- There was extensive discussion regarding the planned bridge across Flagg Creek at 71st Street and Wolf Road. Staff noted that this would provide improved access to the Tollway from downtown Burr Ridge.