City of Evanston **Dodge Avenue Protected Bike Lane Project**

June 13, 2016

The City of Evanston will be the constructing protected bike lane on Dodge Avenue from Howard Street to Lake Street. This project includes removal of existing pavement markings, restriping of the roadway to accommodate a protected bike lane using thermoplastic pavement markings, thermoplastic symbols and the installation of protective bollards. The proposed protected bike lane project will improve bicycle safety and traffic flow establishing connection to Evanston Township High School, Church Street and Davis Street Bike Lanes. A project location map is included on the back of this newsletter. The Dodge Avenue bike lane is part of the city's continuous program to improve the roadway system throughout the community and is funded by federal and local funds.

Schedule

This project will be completed in two stages. Stage 1 construction will begin the week of June 20 by removing and replacing the existing pavement markings along the southbound lane of Dodge Avenue. Parking within the work zone will be restricted during this time. The work will start at the Lake Street intersection and continue south through to Howard Street. Following the application of the new markings, relocation of existing signs and the installation of new signage will occur. Stage 2 will then pick up the north bound lane of Dodge Avenue starting at Howard Street and working north back to Lake Street. Parking on the east side of Dodge Avenue will be restricted during this stage.

The project is expected to be completed by mid-July 2016. During construction, one lane of traffic in each direction will be maintained. The actual date when construction is planned will be noted on the temporary "NO PARKING" signs posted 48 hours prior to the start of the work. The construction activities will create some inconveniences for the abutting businesses and residents, but workers will attempt to minimize these issues. The street sweeping and/or neighborhood parking restrictions will be waived for a one-block radius around the construction zone. Construction zone "No Parking any time" will be in effect on sections of Dodge Avenue during the protected bike lane installation.

Contractor

The contractor for this streetscape project is Maintenance Coatings, Co. located at 543 Woodbury St, South Elgin, IL 60177.

City Monitoring

The City has hired HLR Engineering to monitor the project. If you have any questions or concerns during construction, please contact the **Resident Engineer**, **James Chambers at (224) 645- 5552.** Questions in general about the Dodge Avenue Protected Bike Lane project should be directed to Sat Nagar, P.E., Senior Project Manager at 3-1-1 or (847) 448-4311.



