

memorandum

to: Mayor Russ Meyer

from: Joshua Karrick, RLA, ASLA, AICP

date: July 23, 2009

subject: Project Update: Nicholasville Streetscape – Phase 1 Main Street

Project Background:

CDP began work on the Phase 1 plans in late March, 2009. The scope of the project includes streetscape improvements along Main Street US 27X in downtown Nicholasville starting at the Oak Street intersection and going south for three blocks to the Chestnut intersection. The improvements include rebuilding the sidewalks based on the concepts of the Downtown Master Plan which include new concrete sidewalks with decorative paver bands, ADA improvements at the intersections, intersection improvements at Oak Street and Maple Street with decorative pavers, trees, tree grates, lighting, benches, trash receptacles, burying the overhead utilities, upgrading water service lines, stormwater improvements, a rain garden, and resurfacing the road.

Work Complete:

Since March the following work items have been completed:

- Site Survey
- Schematic Design
- Design Development
- Most of the materials and amenities have been identified.
- 2 Public meetings for the general public
- 2 Public meetings for the property owners and business owners
- Environmental Review Documents (submitted to KYTC for review)

Current work:

CDP is preparing permit review plans for KYTC District 7 to review as part of their Encroachment Permit process. These plans will be submitted this week and it is anticipated that the review process will take 30 days. Once we are approved we will advertise for bids in late August/early September.

While the permit process is on going the bid documents will finalized and made ready for distribution once all permits are obtained.

Future Work (during construction):

Once the bidding process is complete (late September) the construction will begin in mid October (after the Jessamine Jamboree) and will continue until mid summer of 2010.

The construction will be coordinated so that work is limited to one block at a time, this approach will result in a longer construction timeline however, by doing the construction in a stepped approach we will minimize the overall effect to the downtown businesses (unlike the process recently written about in the local papers about the S. Limestone Project in Lexington where the entire street will be closed for up to a year.)