



# **Municipal Infrastructure**

May 2006 Project Updates  
City of Springfield, Massachusetts

# STATE STREET CORRIDOR PROJECT

**Project Manager:** Al Chwalek  
City of Springfield DPW

**Project Boundaries:** State Street (From East Columbus Avenue to Berkshire Avenue)

**Contractor:** To be determined

**Engineer:** VHB, Inc.

**Project Budget:** \$11,000,000 Federal and State Matching Monies.

**Anticipated Start Date:** Spring 2007

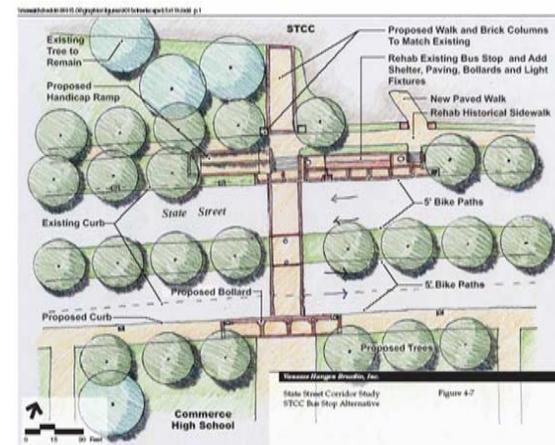
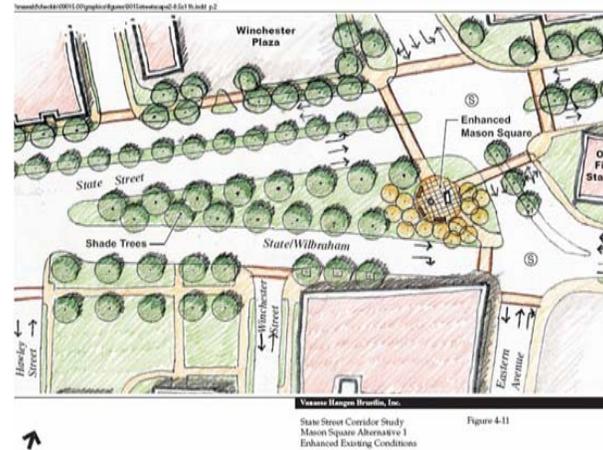
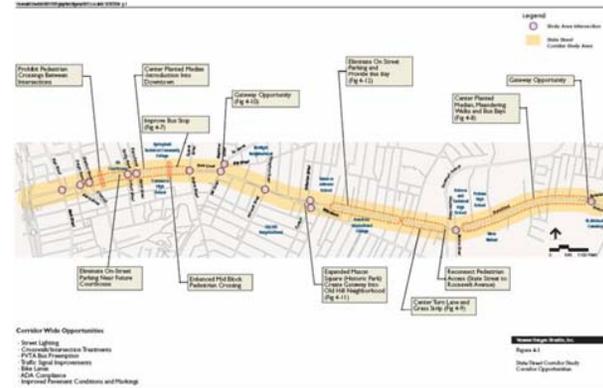
**Anticipated Completion Date:** Fall 2008

## Description:

The State Street corridor runs 3.2 miles and is the major east-west connector in the City. Along this corridor are businesses, residences, parks, cultural amenities institutions and major historical assets. In addition State Street is soon to be home of the new federal courthouse as well as the new Mass Mutual Convention Center. The project will address the physical conditions and transportation issues along the entire 3.2 mile corridor. These changes look to include improved traffic flow, guidelines for corridor aesthetics, a plan for streetscape features, improved safety and transportation for pedestrian and bicycle, and innovative parking solutions. The goal of this project is for State Street to continue to be a vital and proud link between the residents, local businesses and area institutions.

## Project Status:

- Mass Highway Department has scheduled a public hearing for Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM at The Kasparian Center, located at 60 Alton Street.



## RESIDENTIAL STREET RESURFACING PROGRAM

**Project Manager:** Al Chwalek, Department of Public Works

**Engineer:** Department of Public Works

**Contractor:** Palmer Paving Company

**Project Budget:** \$1,400,000

**Project Location:** 45 Streets – Various Neighborhoods

**Start Date:** Anticipated May 1, 2006

**Completion Date:** Anticipated November 1, 2006

**Description:** The program calls for the resurfacing of approximately 45 residential streets throughout the City. The \$1.4 million project is being funded utilizing Chapter 90 monies through the Mass Highway Department.

The project includes the milling and overlay of Sumner Avenue from Longhill Street to the “X”.

**Project Status:**

Palmer Paving Company was chosen as the contractor for the project and is anticipated to begin construction in May.



# SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

**Project Manager:** Al Chwalek, DPW

**Project Location:** Various Locations throughout the City

**Engineer:** Department of Public Works

**Contractor:** To Be Publicly Bid

**Project Budget:** \$850,000

**Anticipated Start Date:** June 2006

**Anticipated Completion Date:** October 2006

## **Description:**

The sidewalk construction is comprised of 2 parts.

- As a result of school redistricting, two (2) miles of sidewalk will be constructed at an approximate cost of \$550,000.
- Replacement of existing sidewalks through the sidewalk application process. Residents apply through the DPW to have existing public sidewalk replacement. Approx. cost: \$300,000.

## **Project Status:**

Bids for sidewalk construction will be opened on May 15<sup>th</sup>.



# NORTH MAIN STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

**Project Manager:** Al Chwalek, DPW

**Project Location:** Main Street - The “Arch” to the Chicopee line

**Engineer:** VHB, Inc.

**Contractor:** To Be Publicly Bid

**Project Budget:** Estimated at \$2.5 million

**Anticipated Start Date:** April 2007

**Anticipated Completion Date:** Fall 2008

**Description:**

The project calls for the resurfacing of Main Street, from the “Arch” to the Chicopee city line. The scope of work will also include drainage work, curbing, sidewalk repair or replacement, and the installation of decorative lighting fixtures.

**Project Status:**

- A community and business meeting will be scheduled this month.
- Preliminary design for the project is anticipated to begin in August.



## WALNUT STREET RECONSTRUCTION

**Project Manager:** Al Chwalek  
City of Springfield DPW

**Project Location:** Walnut Street (Union to Hancock Streets)

**Contractor:** Gagliarducci Construction

**Engineer:** Springfield DPW

**Project Budget:** \$1,500,000

**Start Date:** Anticipated in May 2006

**Anticipated Completion Date:** October 2006

**Description:** The City under funding from the Massachusetts Highway Department and Chapter 90 Funds will be re-paving Walnut Street from Union to Hickory Streets. The project will also entail the installation of new decorative lighting by WMECO, repair and or replacement of sidewalks including the adding of a colored concrete band and new street signs.

### Project Status:

- The Water and Sewer Commission continues water distribution improvements including new valves and hydrant connections. Baystate Gas continues to install new gas connections throughout the project area.
- An \$800,000 contract has been executed between Mass Highway Department and Gagliarducci Construction. Street reconstruction is scheduled to commence in May.



# PARKER STREET RECONSTRUCTION-BRIDGE REPLACEMENT

**Project Manager:** Mass Highway Department

**Engineer:** Michael McCabe - Mass Highway Department

**Project Budget:** \$11,017,848.00

**Project Location:** Parker Street

**Contractor:** R.H. White

**Start Date:** February 2006

**Anticipated Completion Date:** Autumn 2007

**Description:** The proposed project is the reconstruction of approximately 5,540 feet of Parker Street, from Boston Road to Main Street, including 250 feet of Verge Street, and 400 feet of Oak Street, resulting in a total roadway reconstruction of approximately 6,190 linear feet. The new CSX bridge carrying three tracks over Parker Street will be raised to provide more roof clearance for vehicular traffic under the bridge. The new longer bridge will also eliminate the current 30 foot wide underpass roadway bottleneck on Parker Street. The new underpass section will be increased and widened to 64 feet, and will consist of two turning lanes, two through traffic lanes, and two sidewalks. This major north/south inner city transportation and commercial artery carries a daily vehicle count approaching 31,000. The project also entails geometric improvements and the upgrade of existing signalization, and new signalization with pedestrian activation at intersection crossings along Parker Street.

## Project Status:

- The Water and Sewer Commission continues with the relining of pipes and the installation of new valves and hydrants.
- Safety and alternate route signage has been installed with notification to the public on detours.

