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April 10, 2024

The Honorable Justin Elicker
Mayor
City of New Haven
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Subject: Transfer of State Route 745
State Project No. 0092-0681
Federal Aid Project No. 0010(124)
Ella T. Grasso Blvd. (Route 10) and Kimberly Avenue (SR 745) Intersection
Improvements
City of New Haven

Dear Mayor Elicker:

The Department of Transportation (Department) is preparing to provide traffic operational improvements at the northern intersection of Route 10 and Kimberly Avenue. The scope of work involves adding dedicated left turn lanes in both directions on Route 10 at the intersection, while maintaining the two through lanes. A two-way left-turn lane, raised bicycle lane, street trees, and designated on-street parking will be constructed on the current state road approach of Kimberly Avenue (SR 745). A new traffic signal, drainage improvements, sidewalk reconstruction, and utility relocations are proposed as a result of the proposed improvements. The traffic signal will also include preemption devices for each approach. Granite curbing and imprinted concrete buffers are proposed on Kimberly Avenue and on Route 10. Sidewalk bump-outs are proposed on both Kimberly Avenue approaches at the intersection of Route 10. The roadway on Route 10 will be tapered down to a two-lane cross section at the northern project limit, where a raised crosswalk with a rapid-rectangular-flashing-beacon (RRFB) will be constructed, in the vicinity of Plymouth Street.

The City has expressed interest in taking ownership of the segment of SR745 between the Route 10 intersection in previous discussions. The Department has also determined that this segment of SR745 no longer serves as the best interest of the State as part of the highway system. Under C.G.S. 13a-44, the State of Connecticut has the authority to transfer sections of highway to a municipality. It is proposed that SR 745, from its intersection with Route 10, south of the I-95 overpass (MP 0.95), to its terminus at the intersection with Route 10, north of the I-95 overpass (MP 1.21), will be transferred to the City of New Haven at the completion of this Project.

Please indicate the City's concurrence by signing below and returning a copy to the Project Manager listed below on or before May 10, 2024. Submission by hard copy or electronic transmission is acceptable. Please retain a copy for your records.

If you have any questions, please contact the Project Manager, Salvatore Aresco, at (860) 594-3239 or at Salvatore.Aresco@ct.gov.

Very truly yours,

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Assistant Chief Engineer

Bureau of Engineering and Construction

Concurred By: _____

The Honorable Justin Elicker
Mayor of New Haven

Date: _____

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