Quentin Road Phase I – Dundee Road to Lake Cook Road Summary of Public Meeting No. 3 held on November 13, 2018 Summary Prepared December 11, 2018

INTRODUCTION

Public Meeting No. 3 for the Quentin Road Phase I Project was held on Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at the Holiday Inn Express Chicago-Palatine/N Arlington Heights, Palatine, Illinois from 4:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. The purpose of the public meeting was to provide a project update, present the results of alternative analysis, and gather input on the two remaining alternatives.

NOTIFICATIONS

Prior to the public meeting, display ads were published in the Daily Herald to announce the public meeting and provide details. The public meeting notice was published on October 29 and November 7, 2018, 15 days and six days before the public meeting, respectively. Invitation letters were mailed to elected officials and representatives of public agencies. Invitation letters were also sent to over 250 property owners along the project corridor. A "Save the Date" announcement was emailed on October 17, 2018 to over 250 people that registered at past public meeting events. Lastly, two changeable message signs - one near the intersection of Quentin Road and Dundee Road and one near the intersection of Quentin Road and Lake Cook Road – were placed from November 6 to November 14, 2018, announcing the public meeting.

DAY OF MEETING

Attendees were greeted at a registration table and provided a project brochure. The public meeting included a 9 minute looping audio/video presentation that provided an overview summary of the project and introduced the information in the main exhibit room. After viewing the presentation, attendees were directed to the main room which had exhibits on display providing further information about the project. Exhibits presenting the Purpose and Need as well as exhibits presenting the alternative analysis from Evaluation Rounds 1 through 4 were on display for comment. Additionally on display was an aerial exhibit showing plan views of the proposed improvements for Alternatives 3C and 5C, exhibits explaining the coordination that has occurred with the project's environmental stakeholders and focus groups (a subset of the environmental stakeholders), and exhibits presenting the results of water quality analysis. The project brochure provided a summary of the items in the presentation and on display.

A total of 150 people signed in at the public meeting including: Cook County Commissioner - Elect, Scott Britton; Deer Park Village Engineer Lee Fell; Deer Park Village President, Dale Sands; District Director for State Representative Tom Morrison, Augustine Payne; Illinois Department of Transportation Program Development Engineer, John Baczek; Illinois Department of Transportation Bureau of Design and Environment Engineer, Dwayne Ferguson; Illinois Department of Transportation Engineer, John Sherrill; Lake County Division of Transportation Director of Planning and Programming, Kevin Carrier; Palatine Public Works Director, Matt Barry; Palatine Park District Commissioner, Jay Cozza; Palatine Assistant Superintendent of Parks & Planning, Ed Tynczuk; and Palatine Superintendent of Recreation, Keith Williams.

METHODS FOR MAKING COMMENTS AND PROVIDING INPUT

A formal comment area was provided at the public meeting where written comments could be made on comment forms. After the meeting, comments were received through email and regular mail. The official public meeting record only includes comments received by November 30, 2018.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

After the first 3 rounds of alternative analysis, and based on environmental stakeholder and public input, Alternatives 3C and 5C are recommended to carry forward to Round 4 for further study. Alternative 3C is a three lane roadway with one 11-foot travel lane in each direction, a continuous center median for left turns, and curb and gutter on both sides. Alternative 5C is a four lane roadway with two 11-foot travel lanes in each direction, left turn lanes only where needed, and curb and gutter on both sides. Both alternatives also include a 10-foot wide multi-use path, three locations for wildlife crossings, and a traffic signal at the Deer Grove Forest Preserve entrance as a part of the proposed improvements.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS RECEIVED

General

About one half of the comments indicted support for a specific alternative supported Alternative 5C (53%), while the other half supported Alternative 3C (47%). Responses from residents who live within the project limits but outside the Dunhaven Woods subdivision showed a stronger preference for Alternative 3C, while those residents who live within the project limits in the Dunhaven Woods subdivision as well as within the surrounding communities showed a stronger preference for Alternative 5C.

Comment Breakdown

A total of 168 comments were received and were comprised of the following: 82 written comments submitted at the public meeting, 77 comments submitted by email, and 9 comments submitted by regular mail. Of the 168 comments, 66 were received from those who did not attend the public meeting. The 168 comments were provided by 162 people. Six people provided both a written and emailed comment.

The comments were reviewed and grouped geographically based on the commenter's address. Five groups were created to show how viewpoints for the project differ based on location. Comments received from those that live within the project limits were further split into two groups based on previous comments and their different views:

- Residents of Dunhaven Woods (Dunhaven Woods)
- Residents outside of Dunhaven Woods within the project limits (Within Project Limits)
- Residents of Palatine, Deer Park and Inverness outside the project limits (Palatine/Deer Park/Inverness)
- Residents outside of Palatine, Deer Park and Inverness (Other)
- Commenters whose residence is unknown (Unknown)

Comment Type	Total	Dunhaven Woods	Within Project Limits	Palatine/Deer Park/Inverness	Other	Unknown
Written	82	9	12	37	11	13
Email	71	7	8	24	14	18
Mail	9	0	0	5	2	2
Total	162	16	20	66	27	33

Note: Those who provided both a written comment and an emailed comment have been tabulated as a written comment.

Roadway Alternatives

The majority of comments received expressed an opinion on a preferred roadway alternative. Slightly over half of these comments (53%) favored Alternative 5C, while the remaining 47% favored Alternative 3C. Support for Alternative 5C over Alternative 3C was strongest from both those living within the Dunhaven Woods subdivision (67% preferred) and from those living in surrounding communities (62% preferred), while those living within the projects limits but outside of Dunhaven Woods favored Alternative 3C (82% preferred).

Alternative	Total	Dunhaven Woods	Within Project Limits	Palatine/Deer Park/Inverness	Other	Unknown
Support Alternative 3C	62	4	14	21	12	11
Support Alternative 5C	71	8	3	33	10	17
Support any Alternative	10	1	0	6	1	2
Oppose all Alternatives	11	2	1	2	3	3
Total	154	15	18	62	26	33

Environmental Comments

A total of 53 comments received expressed a concern about the environmental impacts of widening Quentin Road. This was especially concerning to those in favor of Alternative 3C, as 64% of commenters who support Alternative 3C cited an environmental concern as a reason for wanting a narrower roadway. More specifically, there were concerns about the loss of Deer Grove Forest Preserve land (23% of comments) and animal protection (16%), while 7 commenters expressed a concern about water quality (5%). There were also comments about pollution from vehicle emissions (6%), concern for the environment in general (3%), and other environmental concerns (1%).

Environmental Concern	Total	Dunhaven Woods	Within Project Limits	Palatine/Deer Park/Inverness	Other	Unknown
Loss of Forest Preserve	36	2	3	16	11	4
Animal Protection	24	4	2	11	5	2
Pollution from Vehicle Emissions	9	1	3	1	3	1
Water Quality	7	1	1	2	2	1
General Environmental Concern	5	1	1	1	1	1
Other Environmental Concern	2	0	0	0	1	1

Note: Those who expressed multiple environmental concerns have been tabulated for each concern that they expressed.

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Other Comments

A number of other comments received mentioned the need to address the following: adding a sound barrier between Quentin Road and adjacent residences, and reducing the speed limit within the project corridor.

Comment	Total	Dunhaven Woods	Within Project Limits	Palatine/Deer Park/Inverness	Other	Unknown
Add Sound Barrier	14	3	5	1	2	3
Reduce Speed Limit	10	6	2	1	0	1