

**COMMON COUNCIL
ROADS COMMITTEE
MAY 2, 2025**

The City of Noblesville Roads Council Committee met pursuant to public notice in the Council conference room at City Hall on Friday, May 2, 2025 at 8:01 a.m. Mark Boice, Todd Thurston, and Megan Wiles were present. Pete Schwartz was absent.

Also present were Deputy Mayor Matt Light, Chief Deputy Clerk Nancy Bragg, Deputy Clerk Kimberly Stakelbeck, Street Commissioner Patty Johnson, City Engineer Alison Krupski, Assistant City Engineer Jim Hellmann, and Engineering Project Manager Andrew Rodewald.

New information appears in red. Ms. Krupski stated the red lettering had been helpful.

1. Federal Aid and State Aid Projects

a. Pleasant Street – Phase I

- i. The Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) awarded \$8.5 million in state funds for the project, which should be disbursed to the City by year end.
- ii. Punchlist work and landscaping are scheduled for completion in 2025.
- iii. Work on Walnut Street is underway to complete final aesthetic finishes on the roadway.

b. Pleasant Street - Phase II:

- i. The Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) awarded \$494,400.00 in state funds for the project.
- ii. Ground improvement work will begin in late May, to include excavation, hauling away contaminated soils, and ground reinforcement and compression.
- iii. Portions of Pleasant Street will be fully closed during construction.
 1. 11th Street to 13th Street
 - a. The closure is expected to last 75 days and should reopen in late June or early July.
 - b. 11th Street will remain open throughout construction.
 2. 13th Street to 16th Street
 - a. The closure is expected to continue through the end of the year.
 3. Detours are available at 16th Street and Greenfield Avenue.
 4. The temporary signal at 16th Street and Greenfield Avenue will remain in place. Left turns are not allowed.
 5. Access to businesses and the Street Department will be maintained.
 6. 2022 traffic data show 10,400 vehicles per day.
- iv. Traffic will be rerouted near 19th Street on or after May 6 for roundabout construction.

c. Pleasant Street - Phase III:

- i. The Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) awarded \$5,475,700.00 in state funds for the project.

- ii. Cherry Tree Road was closed permanently.
 - 1. 2022 traffic data shows average daily traffic of 2,400 vehicles per day.
 - iii. Bridge work is scheduled to begin in May.
 - iv. A full closure of SR 32 will be needed in 2025 for roundabout construction at the intersection of SR 32, Hague Road, and the future Pleasant Street.
 - 1. Hague Road north of SR 32 is expected to close for 30 days in June.
 - 2. The intersection at SR 32 and Hague Road is expected to fully close for 75 days beginning in July.
 - 3. INDOT's official detour will be on SR 38, but the City is investigating options for unofficial detour routes.
 - 4. 2022 Traffic data shows 18,000 vehicles per day on SR 38 at Hague Road and 21,000 vehicles per day on SR 32.
 - v. SR 32 through Westfield is closed for a separate INDOT project.
- d. **Little Chicago Road Trail over Morse Lake**
 - i. The project area includes Elderberry Road to Carrigan Road.
 - ii. The project was awarded to Pontem Contractors.
 - iii. The project is substantially complete. Final cleanup items are ongoing, and two pavement areas still need to be addressed.
 - iv. Road closures and restrictions in 2024:
 - 1. 2022 traffic data shows 10,000 vehicles per day on Little Chicago Road.
 - 2. Little Chicago Road has reopened to traffic.
 - 3. The Trail will open to pedestrians in spring 2025.
 - 4. An E-newsletter is being distributed, but it will be discontinued soon.
- e. **Olio Road between 146th Street and 156th Street**
 - i. Funds were awarded for State Fiscal Year 2027. Construction is expected to begin in fall 2026 and continue to the end of 2027.
 - ii. The City was awarded \$7,710,202.00 in Rural State funds.
 - iii. A new grant award of \$2.8 million was awarded for a roundabout at 156th Street and Olio Road, in a special safety call through INDOT.
 - iv. Preliminary design is 60 percent complete. Initial meetings with utilities have been held.
 - 1. Duke Energy recently found an easement from the 1930s, so their relocation costs must be reimbursed.
 - v. Letters were sent to adjacent property owners offering to meet and discuss the project. Staff have met with seven property owners to date. Staff have met with a few property owners multiple times.
 - vi. National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documents were approved on April 4, 2025, so land acquisition offers have been mailed.
- f. **Boden Road and 166th Street Roundabout**
 - i. The award of funds was moved from State Fiscal Year 2027/2028.

- ii. The City was awarded \$3.01 million in Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) State funds for a 90 percent federal, 10 percent City cost share.
 - iii. The Stage 2 design phase was submitted on December 1, 2022.
 - iv. Duke Energy will need multiple years to move their lines, which necessitated delaying construction.
 - v. Construction is planned for 2028 to allow for utility relocation.
 - vi. A resolution for right-of-way acquisition was adopted by Council on February 28, 2025. Appraisals are beginning.
 - vii. A key step in the environmental review approval process was completed on March 31, 2025.
- g. **Boden Road between Beauty Berry Drive (Ruoff Music Center) and 156th Street**
 - i. Funds were awarded for State Fiscal Year 2028. The award had been postponed to 2029 but recently was restored to 2028.
 - ii. The City was awarded \$6,041,525.00 in rural project state funds, plus \$422,650.00 for right-of-way acquisition.
 - iii. Stage 1 of the preliminary design is complete.
 - 1. Environmental review is ongoing.
- h. **Highway Safety Improvement Program**
 - i. Sign Modernization Project
 - 1. The City received a new grant award of \$441,000.00.
 - 2. The project will replace regulatory and warning signs in “pre-1995 Noblesville”.
 - a. The area includes Old Town, the Wellingtons, and the Harbours, among other neighborhoods.
 - 3. Construction will most likely take place in 2027.
 - 4. A design agreement was signed on February 28, 2025.
 - ii. Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Sidewalk Project
 - 1. The City received a new grant award of \$244,800.00.
 - 2. The project will install curb bump outs, ramps, striping, and signage on 10th Street to improve speed control and shorten crosswalks for pedestrian safety.
 - a. The project area is in proximity to North Elementary on Wayne, Harrison, Monument, and Grant Streets.
 - 3. Construction will most likely take place in 2027.
 - 4. A design agreement was signed on February 28, 2025.
 - 5. Initial design has begun, and utility notices are being issued. Some right-of-way improvements must be evaluated because of the historic value of the area.
- i. **Little Chicago Road and Carrigan Road Roundabout**
 - i. The Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) awarded \$1,633,915.00 for construction in Fiscal Year 2028.
 - ii. A design contract with United Consulting was approved at the April 29, 2025 Board of Public Works and Safety meeting.

j. **141st Street and Howe Road Roundabout**

- i. The Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) awarded \$2,002,400.00 for construction in Fiscal Year 2028.
- ii. A design contract will be presented to the Board of Public Works and Safety for approval on May 27, 2025.

2. Local Projects

a. **2025 Street Rehabilitation**

- i. Contract I – Community Crossing Matching Grant (CCMG)
 1. There was a new award of \$438,500.00 on November 7, 2024 for the remainder of eligible 2024 grant funds.
 2. The project will include a portion of West Haven and Lochaven east of Cherry Tree Road.
 - a. Information meetings were held with each subdivision, and there were no significant concerns expressed.
 3. Construction
 - a. Tree removal is complete, and stump grinding is ongoing.
 - b. Concrete work is scheduled to begin in June.
- ii. Contract II
 1. INDOT awarded \$1.5 million in Community Crossing Matching Grant funds on February 26.
 2. The project includes portions of South Harbour and West Harbour, 161st Street, 191st Street, and Cumberland Road.
 3. The construction contract was awarded to Rieth-Riley Construction on April 15, 2025.
 4. A pre-construction meeting is pending.
 5. Information meetings for South and West Harbour will take place.
- iii. Contract III
 1. This project will be funded locally.
 2. The project includes a portion of Pind Knoll, Monterey Village, Sagamore, Wellington Heights, and 146th Street east of Boden Road.
 3. Bids will be opened on May 13, 2025.

b. **Boden Road Corridor**

- i. **Segment 2 (156th Street to 166th Street) (No Update)**
 1. Preliminary 40 percent design is complete and includes the drainage masterplan and right-of-way limits.
 2. Scoping and fees for the final design have begun.
- ii. **Segment 3 (166th Street to SR 38) (No Update)**
 1. Preliminary 40 percent design is complete and includes the drainage masterplan and right-of-way limits.
 2. Final design has begun and is being coordinated with the 166th Street roundabout project.
 3. The utilities also are coordinating with the 166th Street roundabout project.

4. Right-of-way acquisition will coincide with the 166th Street roundabout project.
 5. INDOT constructed a single-lane roundabout at SR 38, so Boden Road will have to reduce to one lane to match the roundabout. The Boden Road level of service is not affected.
 6. Construction is scheduled for 2028, concurrent with the Boden Road/166th Street roundabout construction.
- c. **Nickel Plate Trail (No Update)**
- i. The Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) awarded a Next Level Trails grant of \$3,130,000.00, to be paid as reimbursements.
 - ii. Bridge over 146th Street
 1. Preliminary design alternatives have begun for a grade-separated crossing over 146th Street.
 2. Options are being investigated for connecting the Nickel Plate Trail to the Allisonville Road Trail at Wellington Parkway.
 3. **A contract with United Consulting for final design of the project was approved on April 28, 2025.**
- d. **Forest Park to Federal Hill Trail and Logan Street Drainage**
- i. TRAIL: The trail will connect Forest Park to Federal Hill Commons. The selected alternative will construct a tunnel under the rail line at Forest Park.
 - ii. DRAINAGE: The project will provide drainage along the former trolley line near the Nickel Plate rail line. The project will improve undrained and under-drained areas around Forest Park, Park Street, Legacy Christian School, and future redevelopment opportunities.
 - iii. Construction:
 1. **Work on ramps and the path Logan and Nixon Streets is underway.**
 2. **The trail and roadway are scheduled for paving in early May.**
 - a. **A major event on May 20 will not be impacted.**
 3. **Nixon Street will be repaved to repair utility cuts.**
- e. **Innovation Mile – 141st Street**
- i. The area for a secondary entrance/exit to the Arena at Innovation Mile was refreshed with signs and markings, and a portion of 146th Street between Olio Road and Prairie Baptist Road was reconstructed. **The work is substantially complete.**
- f. **Embrace Downtown**
- i. Design refinements, cost estimates, and schedule review are ongoing.
 - ii. The project website is www.embracedowntownnoblesville.com.
 - iii. An informational meeting for businesses was held at City Hall on March 27 at 5:30 p.m.
 1. The feedback was positive overall.
 2. Engineering staff need any additional Council feedback by April 18, 2025.
- g. **Logan Street and Clinton Street Brick Rehabilitation**
- i. Initial scoping of the project is planned for spring 2025 to determine limits and phasing of the project.

- ii. A design agreement was presented to the Board of Works on April 15.
 - iii. Notification of the project was sent to all residents between 10th and 16th Streets on April 30, 2025.
 - iv. Weather permitting, the survey should be completed by May 12, 2025. The street will be closed with no parking during the survey.
- h. **8th Street and Christian Avenue Roundabout (No Update)**
 - i. Alternatives for the 8th Street corridor will be presented to the Nickel Plate Trail steering committee for comment. The Nickel Plate Trail master plan will include the trail corridor from 146th Street to Downtown.
 - ii. Construction is dependent on completion of the Nickel Plate Masterplan and construction of the Embrace Downtown project.
- i. **Logan Street Corridor (No Update)**
 - i. The project will be limited to west of SR 19.
 - ii. Preliminary engineering and alternatives analysis is planned to begin in 2025.
- j. **Little Chicago Road Corridor Improvements (No Update)**
 - i. The project will be limited to the section between SR 38 and Carrigan Road.
 - ii. The project will be under contract with the Little Chicago Road and Carrigan Road roundabout project.
 - iii. A scoping meeting with United Consulting was held on March 5.
- k. **Carrigan Road and North Harbour Drive/Oakbay Drive (No Update)**
 - i. Preliminary engineering and alternatives analysis is planned to begin in late 2025.
- l. **Culvert at Greenfield Avenue over Wheeler and Wheeler Drain Arm**
 - i. Bids were opened on May 28, 2024. The bid was awarded to Midwest Paving on June 11, 2024.
 - ii. Utilities relocation is underway and was scheduled to be completed by March 10.
 - iii. A 30-day closure of Greenfield Avenue will be required.
 - 1. Construction began April 1, 2025. Greenfield Avenue will reopen on May 3, but Arbor Grove Boulevard will remain closed until May 7.
 - 2. Final items are expected to be complete by May 10.
 - 3. 2022 traffic data shows average daily traffic of 6,681 vehicles per day.
- m. **Mill Creek over Sly Run Regulated Drain (No Update)**
 - i. A trail will be constructed between Promenade and Promenade Woods, both Justus developments.
 - ii. Hydraulic modeling shows a downstream culvert will limit hydraulic improvements.
 - iii. The project has been scaled back to only widening the trail and not expanding the size of the culvert. The downstream property owner does not plan to develop the property. Downstream restrictions prevent size improvements to the culvert under Mill Creek Road.

- iv. Construction was moved to 2026 due to other closures in the area **and Duke Energy's request for relocation reimbursement.**
- n. **156th Street over William Lehr Ditch**
 - i. Preliminary design is planned to begin in late 2025.

3. Hamilton County Projects

- a. **146th Street over Allisonville Road Interchange (No Update)**
 - i. Left turns are prohibited at the intersection.
 - ii. 2022 traffic data shows 13,000 vehicles per day on the north leg of Allisonville Road.
 - iii. The project website is www.streamline146.com.
 - iv. Temporary lane closures are expected on 146th Street during the summer months.
- b. **146th Street and Hazel Dell Interchange (No Update)**
 - i. The project is scheduled to bid in May 2026.
 - ii. Utility work will begin in 2025.
 - iii. The project website is <https://www.hamiltoncounty.in.gov/1798/146th-St-Hazel-Dell-Pkwy-Interchange>.
- c. **146th Street and Gray Road Improvements (No Update)**
 - i. Preliminary design is underway.
 - ii. The County is still determining a construction schedule.

4. INDOT Projects

- a. **SR 37 and 141st Street Interchange (No Update)**
 - i. Completion is expected by October 2026.
 - ii. The project website is www.drivesr37.com.
- b. **SR 37 through Noblesville (Greenfield Ave. to SR 32) (No Update)**
 - i. INDOT is heading the project with Noblesville partnership.
 - ii. INDOT Memorandum of Agreement commitment:
 - 1. INDOT will produce 30 percent design for the intersections at SR 32 and Pleasant Street.
 - 2. There will be an 80/20 percent partnership for design and construction of a SR 32 and SR 37 interchange.
 - 3. INDOT has not committed to final design and construction of the other interchanges.
 - iii. Interlocal Agreement with INDOT
 - 1. The agreement will fund initial 30 percent design of an interchange at Greenfield Avenue.
 - 2. The City will fund the contract, and the cost will count towards the City's 20 percent share of the larger project.
 - iv. FY25 BUILD Grant (formerly RAISE Grant)
 - 1. The application was submitted on January 30, 2025.
 - 2. Notification is expected by June 28, 2025.
 - v. INDOT's project website is www.sr37improvement.com.
 - vi. Individual meetings with property owners and business owners are ongoing.

- c. **SR 38/Logan Street Roundabout**
 - i. Letting is scheduled for January 2026.
 - ii. Construction is planned for 2026.
 - iii. The City has committed to acquiring the needed right-of-way, which will be included in the City's 50 percent share of the project.
 - 1. Right-of-way offers have been sent, and there has been good communication with several landowners to date.
- d. **SR32 Reconstruction through Westfield**
 - i. Construction and a full closure are ongoing.
- e. **SR 32 Added Travel Lanes (No Update)**
 - i. The project scope will be four lanes with medians from just west of River Road to East Street in Westfield.
 - ii. INDOT has agreed to construct roundabouts at intersections.
 - iii. Noblesville Participation includes \$2 million for sidewalk construction.
 - 1. The right-of-way acquisition costs and dedicated right-of-way from proposed developments such as Midland Pointe will count towards the City's contribution to the project.
 - iv. Bidding is scheduled for Fiscal Year 2027, with construction in 2028.
 - v. INDOT's project website is <https://improvetomove32.com>.
- f. **SR32 over White River – Bridge Painting**
 - i. The project is scheduled for bid and completion in 2026, although INDOT is evaluating the schedule. The project may be postponed.
 - ii. The bridge would be closed for two nights from 8:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., after staff negotiations to limit the closure times.
 - iii. The project does not include work on the sidewalk or railing.
- g. **SR 32 Road Reconstruction and Signal Project**
 - i. The project was awarded to Rieth-Riley Construction, Inc.
 - 1. Punch list work remains to be completed, including reconstruction of the ramp at the northwest corner of 8th and Conner to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Work has not yet been scheduled.
 - 2. INDOT added a pedestrian crossing on the west side of SR 19 from the Riverview overflow lot to Federal Hill Commons.
 - 3. Work has been ongoing through Downtown, with completion expected by May 10, 2025.
 - ii. INDOT's project website is <https://www.reconstructingsr32.com/>.
- h. **SR 38 and Hinkle Road**
 - i. INDOT has chosen to install traffic signals, widen pavement, and add turn lanes.
 - ii. Construction has been scheduled for April 2025.
 - 1. A 45-day closure of Moontown Road was postponed until July due to utility relocation delays.
 - 2. Hinkle Road is scheduled for a 45-day closure following the Moontown Road closure.
 - 3. Hinkle and Moontown Roads will not be closed at the same time.

5. Discussion

Mr. Thurston asked about roundabouts on Hazel Dell Road. He asked what could be done to prevent people from driving through the middle of the roundabout at 161st Street. Ms. Johnson replied she was discussing adding additional lights there with the Administration. Mr. Thurston stated the butterfly sculptures in the center of the roundabout at 191st Street had helped, but they had been hit by vehicles.

Mr. Thurston asked about the old bridge that was removed from White River. Staff replied the bridge was being stored at Conner Prairie. The cost of rehabilitating the bridge was too expensive, so the bridge would be advertised for sale.

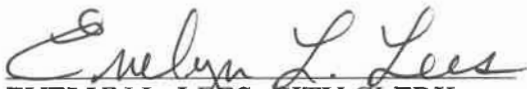
Mr. Boice stated citizens were complaining about the road conditions around Morse Reservoir. He stated he provided them with Ms. Krupski's contact information, and contact information for the Hamilton County Highway Department.

The next meeting will be on Friday, June 6, 2025 at 8:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 a.m.



MARK BOICE, COMMITTEE CHAIR



EVELYN L. LEES, CITY CLERK
CITY OF NOBLESVILLE