

**Route 20 Study, Windsor Locks
Public Information Meeting #2
Draft Meeting Notes
November 16, 2023, 6:00pm
Windsor lock Town Hall**

On November 16, 2023, the second Route 20 Transportation and Land Use Study (the Study) Public Information Meeting was held at the Windsor Locks Town Hall.

Discussion Items

1. The meeting began with CRCOG and the Town of Windsor Locks welcoming attendees and providing a brief opening statement on the Study by Pramod Pandey and Scott Storms respectively, followed by a presentation by the Study Team.
2. Tighe & Bond recapped the study process, study vision statement, and provided an overview of the proposed improvement alternatives.
3. During and following the presentation of the alternatives, an open discussion was held with attendees. The following comments were provided/discussed:
 - **Route 75 Corridor Comments:**
 - i. Route 75 is very busy with a lot of commercial activity and will become a bottleneck if a road diet is implemented. Vehicles will no longer be able to by-pass and will have to stop for cars turning into driveways.
 - ii. How many bikes are using Route 75 right now? There is concern that bikes will not be safe alongside traffic.
 - iii. Will trucks utilize Old County Road if a road diet is implemented on Route 75?
 - iv. A road diet might just cause traffic to by-pass via Old County Road, Spring Street, or other local roadways.
 - v. Do not see a need for a bike lane on Route 75. Route 75 is not safe and should be widened with a center turn lane.
 - vi. Concerns of the economic impacts of a potential road diet on the commercial activity along Route 75.
 - vii. No bicyclists will use a bicycle facility on Route 75 and it is not needed.
 - viii. Previous Town Plan of Conservation and Development recommended a new back access roadway behind Route 75.
 - ix. Concern with a bike lane directly adjacent to Route 75 traffic. The shared-use path option is the safest alternative.
 - x. Supportive of the transformative roundabout concept for the Route 75 corridor.

- xi. Is there a difference between northbound and southbound traffic on Route 75? Would there be a need for two travel lanes in one direction?
 - Old County Road Corridor Comments:
 - i. Overall support for the proposed concept.
 - ii. Can stop signs be added along Old County Road to slow traffic?
 - iii. Roundabout along the roadway would be expensive while raised crossings along Old County Road would be a less costly improvement.
 - Funding options and the current availability was discussed.
 - A proposed trail alternative to (and through) Spring Park is advantageous.
 - The study alternative matrix with the color-coding is helpful for setting improvement priorities.
4. Craig Yannes, Tighe & Bond, closed the presentation with an overview of the project schedule and next steps for the Study.
5. Paul Harrington, Windsor Locks First Selectman and Pramod Pandey, CRCOG, provided closing remarks.

ROUTE 20 TRANSPORTATION & LAND USE STUDY, WINDSOR LOCKS

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