

Town of Hampton, New Hampshire

Capital Improvement Plan – Public Works Department

Road & Sidewalk Improvements

Projected Cost \$300,000 2013

I am now recommending a 3 year project to reconstruct Exeter Road (from Rt. 101 to Lafayette Road) including the replacement of municipal underground utilities and reconstruction of the Lafayette Rd. /High Street/Exeter Road Intersection for the following reasons:

- A. This project would complete the work in progress to reconstruct the westerly end of Exeter Road resulting in the entire length of Exeter Road being reconstructed with a new pavement surface and new sewer and drainage pipes underneath. This is one of the major gateways into the Town of Hampton, and the road surface, drainage system, and sewer system is in very poor condition, which warrants attention as a priority. I have had a number of inquiries about the Town's plan to complete the work on this road and believe this new plan would be welcomed by many in the community.
- B. The preparation of a long term pavement management program and utility reconstruction program will not be completed until the end of 2013 due to the need for the Infiltration/Inflow (I/I) study and plan. I suggest it would be prudent to postpone all other road, drainage, and wastewater system improvements until the I/I report and long term paving plan is complete to ensure all future work on the roads and utilities are well planned and prioritized. This 3 year project would allow for the completion of the long term plan while continuing work on infrastructure improvements essentially "buying us some time" until the master plan is completed.
- C. This project would blend well and be done concurrently with the Hazard Mitigation project to replace the drainage system at the Lafayette Road/High Street/Exeter Road intersection subsidized by the Federal Government.
- D. This project would include a fresh look at removing the Exeter Road Railroad Bridge which if removed as part of this project could be a huge improvement to the downtown area.

E. This project would complement the work being planned to reconstruct the Lafayette Road/Minnacumnet Road intersection and interconnecting the traffic signals. In addition, it would provide the opportunity to improve the Lafayette Road/High Street/Exeter Road intersection with pedestrian walk signals, crosswalks and new sidewalks as well as traffic flow.

My proposed plan would entail the following timeline:

- 2013 - Prepare construction plans and documents
- 2014 – Replace wastewater and drainage systems; require private utilities to replace their systems if warranted. Possible removal of the railroad bridge.
- 2015- Reconstruction of the road surface and intersection.

The total project cost is estimated to be \$2,400,000 (final cost to be determined once plans are completed) as broken out below:

\$300,000 Survey, Design, and Plans (2013)
\$450,000 Drainage Improvements (2014)
\$1,400,000 Sewer Improvements (2014)
\$550,000 Road and Intersection Improvements (2015)