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Capital District Transportation Committee  
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**Re: Tip Amendment for SA261 (PIN 1758.97) – North Main Street over the Anthony Kill  
Bridge Replacement (BIN 2202940)  
City of Mechanicville, Saratoga County, NY**

Dear Mr. Franchini,

Please see the below request for a TIP amendment regarding project SA261 (PIN 1758.97) North Main Street over the Anthony Kill Bridge Replacement (BIN 2202940) in the City of Mechanicville.

**1. TIP #SA 261 (PIN 1758.97): North Main Street over the Anthony Kill, Bridge Replacement (BIN 2202940)**

The City of Mechanicville requests that the funding for construction and construction inspection currently on the TIP for federal fiscal year (FFY) 2014 regarding the above mentioned project be increased as shown in the table below. Also, the funding for right-of-way acquisition should be decreased by the amount shown in the table below. The update would result in an overall decrease of \$785,000 to the project funding that is currently on the TIP.

The current TIP stipulates that the project is a "Bridge Repair or Bridge Replacement" however, thru the course of the preliminary design, it has been determined that complete bridge replacement is the preferred alternative. The TIP should be updated to reflect that this is a Bridge Replacement project.

Throughout the course of the project design, several factors have contributed to the increase in the estimated construction and construction inspection costs. The bridge carries a public water utility that is currently located in the stream channel and is subject to damage from stream flows and floating debris. The replacement bridge will include relocation of this water line to be raised up and protected by the new structure. Additionally, due to the urban character of the project site, the bridge reconstruction activities will directly abut two residential/commercial buildings and will need to utilize specialized construction methods in order to avoid impacts to the building foundations. Also, as a result of comments received at the public information meeting, the project will include construction of a temporary pedestrian crossing to maintain pedestrian traffic thru the City's downtown area during replacement of the bridge structure. The requested funding increase for construction and construction inspection of approximately 9% is to account for the extra costs associated with the utility relocation, protection of adjacent buildings and construction of the temporary pedestrian crossing. The construction inspection cost increase requested is reflective of NYSDOT's position on manpower needs associated with FHWA's inspection and reporting requirements.

It is not known at this time how the funding amount for ROW Acquisitions (\$984,000) was arrived at when the project was originally added to the TIP. Through the course of project design, it has been determined that only minor fee acquisitions and easements will be required in order to complete the project. The proposed funding amount and the funding decrease for ROW Acquisitions shown below is based on up-to-date cost estimates for the required ROW Acquisitions.

It is noted that the City of Mechanicville is submitting a concurrent TIP Update request for SA 262, Frances Street over the Anthony Kill Bridge Replacement. We hereby request that the funding reduction that is currently being requested on this project (SA 261) be considered as an offset for the increase that is being requested for SA 262.

The City of Mechanicville fully supports this project as it aims to replace this 100 year old structure that serves as a major route thru the City's downtown and business district. The replacement bridge will better serve motorists, emergency services and pedestrians alike.

TIP Project	Current TIP Data				Proposed TIP Data			
	Amount	Fund Source	Phase	FFY Year	Amount	Fund Source	Phase	FFY Year
SA 261: North Main Street over Anthony Kill, Bridge Replacement, BIN 2202940	0.984M	STP-BR	R	2014	0.050 M	STP-BR	R	2014
	1.513 M	STP-BR	C	2014	1.650 M	STP-BR	C	2014
	0.168 M	STP-BR	CI	2014	0.180 M	STP-BR	CI	2014

Construction funding for this project includes inspection (supervision)  
 \_\_\_ yes ☒ no \_\_\_ NA

Very truly yours,



Dennis Baker  
 Mayor, City of Mechanicville