2014-2015 Community and Transportation Linkage Planning Program Proposals

Albany Complete Streets Policy and Design Manual

The City of Albany is requesting consultant assistance to create a Complete Streets Policy and Design Manual to complement its recent Comprehensive Plan and Bicycle Master Plan as well as the city’s Complete Streets Ordinance. The document will establish criteria for different streets and intersections throughout the City, based on the street/intersection type, context, and use, and will determine street typologies, provide design guidance and establish policies and standards of implementation. The Manual will be used as a guide by municipal departments when instituting any City street construction, reconstruction, or resurfacing projects, as well as for public and private developments as part of the city’s development review process.

Requested Consultant Total: $90,000 ($67,500 federal funds, $22,500 local match)

Bethlehem Glenmont Area Transportation Study

The Town of Bethlehem is requesting consultant and staff technical assistance with a transportation model update, roadway location assessment and development of transportation system recommendations. The goal of the Plan will be to determine if the transportation recommendations of past traffic studies, including intersection improvements, roadway extensions/connection, and new roadways, remain valid as a result of past land development and future build-out of the Glenmont area. The study will build off of the Town’s Comprehensive Plan and attention will be paid to pedestrian and bicycle connections (complete streets) as well as quality of life issues.

Requested Consultant Total: $65,000 ($48,750 federal, $16,250 local match)
Requested CDTC Staff Technical Assistance: $10,000

Cohoes Route 470 Zoning Code Update

The City of Cohoes is requesting consultant assistance to coordinate the recommendations of previously completed planning studies to update the zoning code in the NYS Route 470 corridor. Increased residential development and inconsistent application of past linkage study concepts has created a need to update the zoning code to create a multi-modal, complete street that can accommodate pedestrian, bicycle, and public transit traffic in balance with the needs of vehicular traffic. The City is proposing to use students from the University at Albany and Albany Law School through their class work to perform some of the tasks related to this study.

Requested Consultant Total: $20,000 ($15,000 federal, $5,000 local)
Requested CDTC Staff Technical Assistance: $5,000
Cohoes In-kind Staff Contribution: $15,000
**Halfmoon Transportation Corridor Zoning Code Update**

The Town of Halfmoon is requesting consultant assistance to develop strategic zoning code revisions around the main transportation corridors in the town. The town desires to balance regulatory and incentive approaches with changes in zoning in order to minimize the impact of development along the corridors. Due to current and future expected growth in the town, the town would like to undertake and implement the outcome of this study as quickly as possible.

Requested Consultant Total: $50,000 ($37,500 federal, $12,500 local cash match)
Requested CDTC Staff Technical Assistance: $5,000
Halfmoon In-Kind Staff Contribution: $25,500

**Malta Route 9 Reconfiguration Feasibility Study**

The Town of Malta is requesting consultant assistance to identify and explore the technical issues to achieving the vision of Route 9’s classification as a Core Street under the town’s Form Based Code and the connections of Route 9 to site designs of adjoining future land-use development. The study will also include a comprehensive approach to implementing complete streets treatments in the corridor and will provide a partial draft of a NYSDOT style scoping report to be used in project development as implementation funds become available. The study area is along Route 9 from Cramer Road to Knabner Road, with particular emphasis on the section from the northern Ellsworth Commons property line to Saratoga Village Boulevard.

Requested Consultant Total: $40,000 ($30,000 federal, $10,000 local cash match)
Requested CDTC Staff Technical Assistance: $4,000
Malta In-Kind Contribution: $10,000 in town funds for mapping.

**Schodack Town Center Zoning Code Amendments and Site Design Guidelines**

The Town of Schodack is requesting consultant assistance for the development of a zoning code update, illustrations and site design guidelines to continue developing the Town Center Plan. The project will aim to use this new zoning code to create a sense of place for the Town by way of pedestrian and bicycle friendly streets in a “small traditional village”. Specifically, the Town is looking to develop code changes that include land uses, bulk and use tables, site design guidelines, lighting requirements, signage requirements, and the inclusion of “complete streets” narratives and design treatments.

Requested Consultant Total: $45,000 ($33,750 federal, $11,250 local match)