

Virtual Meeting Notice

Who: City Council Members

When: 7:00 PM, Monday, November 23, 2020

Where: Virtual

Purpose: Public hearing for the following:

Long Ridge Road (Scenic Portion) Improvements

Public Participation

The public may submit comments on this item via email to comments@danbury-ct.gov. Please provide your full name and address with your comment.

Comments will be accepted until Sunday, November 22.

The public may view the meeting live via this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/c/CityofDanburyConnecticut>



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Date: September 10, 2020
To: City of Danbury Planning Commission
From: Jennifer L. Emminger, AICP
Deputy Planning Director
Re: Referrals from August and September 2020 City Council Meetings

The following item from the City Council was referred in accordance with Section 42-187 of the Code of Ordinances.

#12, Add-On to August 17, 2020 City Council Agenda, Improvements to Designated Scenic Road Portion of Long Ridge Road

City Council is in receipt of a request from the City of Danbury Department of Public Works (“DPW”) to undertake alterations and improvements along the designated scenic road portion of Long Ridge Road. Scenic roads are regulated pursuant to Article 5 of the Code of Ordinances. Article 5, Section 42-187, Application for Alterations, requires Council approval for any alterations after issuance of findings of fact and a recommendation by the Planning Commission.

The attached map provided by DPW identifies that portion of Long Ridge Road designated as a scenic road and the area of the proposed alterations/improvements. The nature of the alterations/improvements are outlined in correspondence from the Director of Public Works, also attached. These alterations/improvements could be classified as activities that also fall under the routine maintenance provisions of the Ordinance. Routine maintenance activities do not require approval by the Planning Commission. However, in this instance the Council deemed it appropriate to refer said activities to the Planning Commission.

Based on a review of the proposed activities, the Department has no objection to the issuance of the following findings of fact with a recommendation to undertake said alterations and improvements:

The proposed scope of alterations and improvements along the scenic road portion of Long Ridge Road as described by the Director of Public Works in correspondence dated August 24, 2020 are necessary to provide a convenient and safe transportation route. The work includes, but is not limited to, milling operations, repaving of the road, replacement of curbing, replacing, repairing, and cleaning of existing catch basins and pipes, adjusting existing driveway aprons as needed, and the removal of dead tree stumps that pose a motor vehicle hazard. Said alterations and improvements will not adversely impact the scenic values of this rural road or the quality of the aesthetic and historic environment along the roadway for which it was so designated. These alterations and improvements are necessary to maintain the scenic road in good and sufficient repair.

The Ordinance provides that the Commission may hold a public hearing. However, it is the opinion of the Department that, given the defined scope of work, a public hearing is not necessary.

The following item from the City Council was referred to the Planning Commission in accordance with Section 8-24 of the Statutes.

#6. Request for Water and Sewer Extension Renewal – 1 and 2 Kevin Drive

City Council received a request from Joseph Putnam for renewal of water and sewer main extension approvals for properties located at 1 and 2 Kevin Drive. In October 2018, City Council approved the water and sewer main extensions to serve two vacant parcels. The parcels are located in the RA-40 Zoning District and are approximately 24,829 and 20,473 square feet in size, respectively.

The Department does not object to the renewal of the water and sewer main extension approvals, subject to compliance with the standard Public Works/Engineering Department requirements for public water and sewer main extensions. All final plans and documents should be approved as to form and content by the Office of the Corporation Counsel prior to acceptance by the City and recording on the Danbury land records.

cc: Les Pinter, Deputy Corporation Counsel
Antonio Iadarola, P.E., Public Work Director/City Engineer

Scope of Work

August 24, 2020

Re: Improvements to the Designated Scenic Road Portion of Long Ridge Road

Specifications:

Due to the existing poor condition of the road pavement surface for this road and the impact it has on the traveling public, the Public Works Department will be repaving the road.

In general, the work to be accomplished under this scope shall consist of the installation of bituminous concrete materials, and milling operations in accordance with Connecticut Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Roads, Bridges and Incidental Construction, Form 816, latest revision, all related sections.

Limitations of Proposed Work:

- This Scope of Work is restricted to the Scenic Road limits of Long Ridge Road as indicated on the attached Map dated August 18, 2020, entitled Improvements to Scenic Long Ridge Road.
- There is to be no widening of the existing established road width.
- There is to be no vertical or horizontal re-alignment of the existing road.
- No new drainage will be added.
- No new curb will be added.

Detailed Scope of Work:

- Replace, repair, cleaning of the existing drainage basins and pipe, in part or whole as required.
- Machine mill to 2" below existing road surface, and apply 2" of hot machine applied asphalt Super Pave HMO S0.5" Level II.
- Remove the dead tree stumps indicated on the attached map. Repair the dead tree stump holes vacated on the Right-of-Way as required to match existing adjacent grade conditions. These tree stumps are partially in the roadway and are therefore a motor vehicle hazard.
- Existing curb is to be removed and replaced without a net change to overall curb length.
- Adjust existing driveway aprons on an as needed bases to prevent any road drainage from entering private property.

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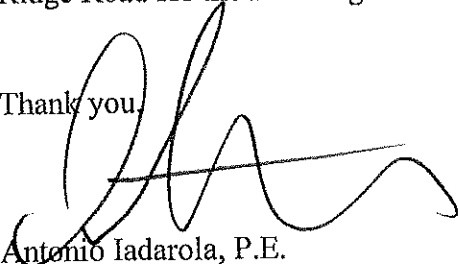
Re: Improvements to the Designated Scenic Road Portion of Long Ridge Road

Dear Jennifer:

At the August 17, 2020 City Council meeting, the repairing of the designated scenic road portion of Long Ridge Road was referred to the Planning Commission for action in accordance with scenic road requirements.

Attached please find the Scope of Work along with a map showing the scenic road portion of Long Ridge Road for the Planning Commission to endorse and approve.

Thank you,


Antonio Iadarola, P.E.
Director of Public Work/City Engineer
City of Danbury

cc: Mayor Mark D. Boughton
Laszlo L. Pinter, Esq.

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IMPROVEMENTS TO SCENIC LONG RIDGE ROAD
PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION
NOT TO SCALE AUGUST 25, 2020

