

CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

ADMINISTRATION

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Laurel Lunt Prussing and Members of the City Council

FROM: William R. Gray, Public Works Director

DATE: March 24, 2011

RE: Olympian Drive and Lincoln Avenue Improvements Update

Olympian Drive

Hanson Professional Services has been working on the preliminary engineering design for Projects A & C. The geotechnical report is in progress from Midwest Engineering Service Inc. and surveying work continues by Berns, Clancy and Associates.

Lincoln Avenue

Much has transpired since the last city council update dated February 18, 2011. City and County staff have been busy meeting with area property owners and county board members discussing various alignments for north Lincoln Avenue between Saline Court and Olympian Drive. Through all these discussion a preferred "purple" alignment has grown favor with the Champaign County Board. See attached map.

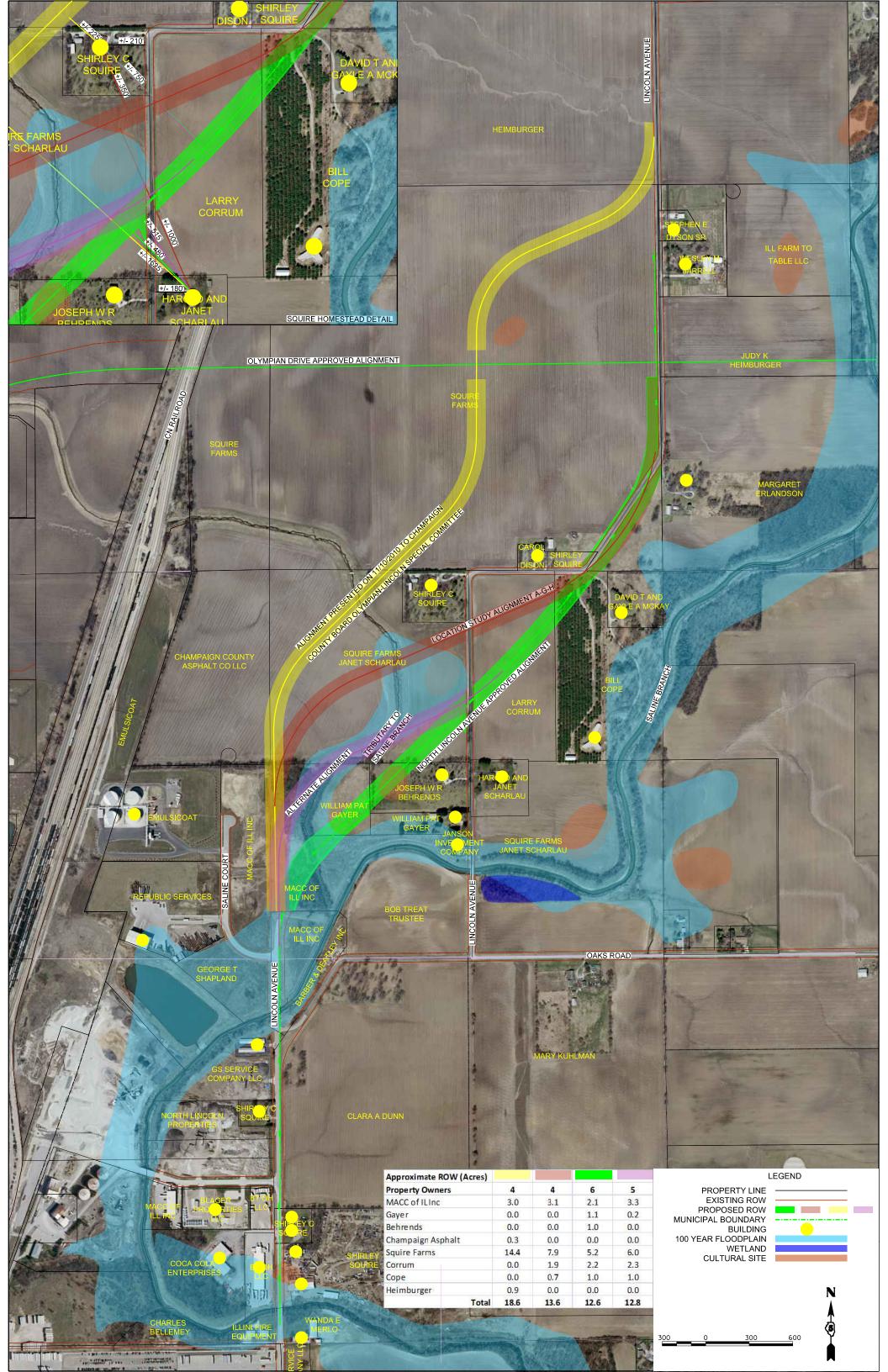
This purple alignment has little to no direct impact to the Behrends and Gayer property owners. This purple alignment does take more right-of-way land from the Squire family. Two-thirds of the Squire family members are supportive of this purple alignment.

From the City of Urbana's staff perspective and interest the purple alignment is acceptable. This alignment still accomplishes the primary purpose and need for the overall project. It removes one or two property owners from whom rights-of-way will be acquired. The total project cost estimate at this point remains approximately the same at \$3,600,000.

On Thursday, March 17th the Champaign County Board approved three resolutions. See attached. The three resolutions are:

- 1. Resolution Supporting Olympian Drive "Project A".
- 2. Resolution Supporting the Re-Alignment of Lincoln Avenue.
- 3. Resolution No. 7680 of Support for the Purple Alignment of Lincoln Avenue.

What are the next steps for the city council? Next month I will be bringing two intergovernmental agreements (IGA) to your attention. The first is an IGA for Olympian Drive with the City of Champaign and Champaign County. The second IGA is for Lincoln Avenue with Champaign County. These IGAs will define the lead agency, consulting engineer, funding sources, and scope of work (location study supplements, design engineering, right-of-way acquisition, construction, construction engineering, and maintenance) responsibilities. These agreements are tentatively scheduled for your review at the April 11th Committee of the Whole meeting.





COUNTY BOARD AGENDA

County of Champaign, Urbana, Illinois Thursday, March 17, 2011 – 7:00 p.m.

Lyle Shields Meeting Room, Brookens Administrative Center 1776 East Washington Street, Urbana, Illinois

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I.	Call To Order		
II.	Roll Call		
III.	Prayer & Pledge of Allegiance		
IV.	Read Notice of Meeting		
V.	Approval of Agenda/Addenda		
VI.	Date/A.	Time of Next Regular Meetings Thursday, April 7, 2011 @ 6:00 p.m. – Committee of the Whole (Highway & Transportation; County Facilities; Environment & Land Use)	
	В.	Tuesday, April 12, 2011 @ 6:00 p.m. – Committee of the Whole (Finance; Policy, Personnel, & Appointments; Justice & Social Services)	
	C.	Thursday, April 21, 2011 @ 7:00 p.m County Board Meeting	
VII.	Award Ceremony for Deputy Vercler		
VIII.	*Consent Agenda – Goldenrod Attachment		
IX.	Public Participation		
X.	Communications		
XI.	Appro	oval of Minutes February 24, 2011	*1-5
XII.	Areas	of Responsibility Reports	
		ary of Action Taken at March 1, 2011 Committee of the Whole Meeting: way & Transportation; County Facilities; Environment & Land Use)	*6-9
	A. Highway & Transportation		
	μ'	1. Adoption of Resolution No. 7662 Supporting Olympian Drive "Project A"	*10
	7	2. Adoption of Resolution No. 7663 Supporting the Re-Alignment of Lincoln Avenue	*11

RESOLUTION NO. 7662

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING OLYMPIAN DRIVE "PROJECT A"

WHEREAS, A Phase I Design Study for Olympian Drive was completed in 1997; and

WHEREAS, The approved alignment of Olympian Drive between Apollo Drive and Lincoln Avenue is commonly referred to as "Project A"; and

WHEREAS, It is in the best interest of the citizens of Champaign County to design and construct "Project A";

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the Champaign County Board that the purpose and need for "Project A" are valid; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That the Champaign County Board supports the design and construction of "Project A".

PRESENTED, ADOPTED, APPROVED, AND RECORDED this 17th day of March, A.D. 2011.

C. Pius Weibel, Chair Champaign County Board

ATTEST:

Gordy Hulten, County Clerk and ex-officio Clerk of the Champaign County Board

RESOLUTION NO. 7663

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE RE-ALIGNMENT OF LINCOLN AVENUE

WHEREAS, Champaign County supports the design and construction of Olympian Drive "Project A"; and

WHEREAS, The existing Lincoln Avenue is deficient in geometry and structure to accommodate proper development along the corridor; and

WHEREAS, Due to the deficient nature of the existing roadway, the alignment of Lincoln Avenue needs to be improved between Saline Court and Olympian Drive;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Champaign County Board supports the re-alignment of Lincoln Avenue between Saline Court and Olympian Drive

PRESENTED, ADOPTED, APPROVED, AND RECORDED this 17th day of March, A.D. 2011.

C. Pius Weibel, Chair Champaign County Board

ATTEST:

Gordy Hulten, County Clerk and ex-officio Clerk of the Champaign County Board



COUNTY BOARD ADDENDUM

County of Champaign, Urbana, Illinois Thursday, March 17, 2011 - 7:00 p.m.

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XII. Areas of Responsibility Reports

A. Highway & Transportation

 Adoption of Resolution No. 7680 of Support for the Purple Alignment of Lincoln Avenue *1-3

XIII. Other Business

D. Adoption of Resolution No. 7681 Approving FOP Corrections Contract from December 1, 2009 to November 30, 2011 (To Be Distributed)

*Roll Call **Roll call and 18 votes ***Roll call and 21 votes

****Roll call and 14 votes
Except as otherwise stated, approval requires the vote of a majority of those County Board members present.

RESOLUTION NO. 7680

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE PURPLE ALIGNMENT OF LINCOLN AVENUE

WHEREAS, The Champaign County Board has shown support for the realignment of Lincoln Avenue between Saline Court and Olympian Drive in Resolution No. 7663; and

WHEREAS, The Champaign County Board has listened to and taken into account the public input related to the re-alignment of Lincoln Avenue; and

WHEREAS, The Champaign County Board has adjusted the Lincoln Avenue corridor to minimize the impact of the re-alignment on those that are directly affected by the project; and

WHEREAS, The directly affected land owners have provided input as to the location of a "modified purple" route to the County Board and the County Engineer through their Engineer; and

WHEREAS; The "modified purple" route has been submitted to Hanson Engineering, the design consultants working on the project, who have investigated the proposal and found that it crosses at a less desirable location than the "purple" route; and

WHEREAS, Based on the input from the affected landowners, the Champaign County Board will require that the first two lanes of construction be built along the north and west side of the corridor to minimize the impact on the affected landowner and initially keep the two lane roadway as far away as possible from the affected houses; and

WHEREAS, The Champaign County Board will make every effort to incorporate into the project natural screening to help lessen the visual and noise impacts on the directly affected homeowners; and

WHEREAS, The Champaign County Board acknowledges that special efforts will need to be made in the design, construction and future maintenance of Lincoln Avenue to deter heavy vehicles from using the existing alignment of Lincoln Avenue north of Olympian Drive.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Champaign County Board that the County Board acknowledges the two proposals made by all the affected landowners, has made a compromise to adjust the alignment from the original "green" alignment showing a good faith effort in working with the directly affected landowners to more equitably distribute the burden of this project and approves the "purple" alignment of Lincoln Avenue as shown on the aerial maps provided by the Champaign County Engineer.

PRESENTED, ADOPTED, APPROVED, AND RECORDED this 17th day of March, A.D. 2011.

C. Pius Weibel, Chair Champaign County Board

ATTEST:

Gordy Hulten, County Clerk and ex-officio Clerk of the Champaign County Board