

**Connecticut Department of Transportation**

**State Project No. 0080-0132  
Rehabilitation of Bridge No. 01164  
South Street over I-84 EB and WB  
Middlebury**

**Tuesday, March 5, 2024  
Zoom Webinar**

**Minutes of Public Informational Meeting**

**Presenters/Speakers:**

Jen Pixley (CHA)  
Brian Kinsley (H&H)

**CTDOT Attendees:**

Corey Burroughs

**Consultant Liaison Engineer (CLE) Attendees:**

Jen Pixley (CHA)  
Rachelle Clark (CHA)  
Naomi Cohen (CHA)

**Design Consultant Attendees:**

Brian Kinsley (H&H)  
Steve Hom (H&H)  
Sam Martha (VN)  
Alex Boyer (VN)

**Public Attendees:**

(3) via Zoom, (2) via YouTube

**Presentation:**

A virtual presentation was held through a Zoom Webinar for the project and delivered by Ms. Jen Pixley from CHA and Mr. Brian Kinsley from H&H.

The presentation began at approximately 7:05 pm. Following an introduction of the project and the project design team, the following items were presented:

- The purpose of this project is to maintain the bridges in a “State of Good Repair”. The Project Needs includes extending service life, providing a structurally sound deck and providing MASH compliant railings.
- The bridge was built in 1964 with no major rehabilitations since. The bridge is a 13-bay multi-stringer arch bridge comprised of a 7.25” reinforced concrete deck with a 29’ long pin and hanger supported assembly at midspan. The two-arch rib structure is 193’ long from the center to center of the arch pins. The superstructure is supported by reinforced concrete abutments, and steel columns that transmit load to the arches, or to independent footings.
- A summary of the existing field conditions of the bridge and notable deficiencies related to the bridge and roadway.

- A summary of the proposed bridge & roadway improvements.
- A description of anticipated roadway traffic impacts and estimated construction duration.
- Construction is estimated to begin in Spring 2026.
- Total estimated construction cost is \$14.8 Million with 80% Federal Funds and 20% State Funds.

**Public Comments and Questions:**

Question:

When will construction begin?

*Answer: Some of the materials for the project have a long lead time, the stainless-steel pins, for example, may take a year to order and fabricate. The project will be awarded early 2026, but construction will likely not begin until Spring of 2027.*

Question:

If the paint condition is good, why are we going to clean and paint it?

*Answer: When the structure was built in 1964, lead paint was used. Since the structure is undergoing a major rehabilitation, this is a good opportunity to remove all the existing paint and use a more modern lead-free paint system.*

Question:

What is the expected duration of the South Street detour?

*Answer: The construction is expected to take about a year and a half from start to finish, but the South Street detour should be closer to a year.*

Question:

Will there be contractor work at night or during weekends? Will this work be loud?

*Answer: Work shifts will largely be between 7:00 am - 3:30pm Monday-Friday, as this area is residential.*

**Adjournment:** The project was generally well received by those attending the meeting. The live virtual presentation was closed at approximately 7:35 pm.

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