



Public Hearing

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Public Hearing Overview

The Public Hearing for the Barrington Road Interchange on the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) Phase I Study was held on November 21, 2013 from 4 to 7 P.M. at the Hoffman Estates Village Hall, 1900 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates, IL 60169. The purpose of the meeting was to present and gather public input regarding the Preferred Alternative for the project, the costs, impacts of benefits of the Preferred Alternative, and next steps for project design and construction.

The meeting was an open house format with a continuous audio/visual presentation, exhibit boards, scaled aerial images of the project area, an informational brochure, and comment forms. The exhibit boards presented included the Project Process and Phase I Process; a summary of the Context Sensitive Solutions Process, Goals, and Outreach; the Project Study Group and Community Advisory Group (CAG), a summary of completed CAG meetings; the Project Timeline; and an Overview of Project Studies and Statistics, environmental impacts of the project, land acquisition requirements for the project, drainage studies, and visualizations of projected traffic operations for the project.

The meeting was attended by forty-two (42) people. Zero (0) comment forms were completed and returned during the meeting. Four (4) verbal comments were given to a court reporter. Attendees were also given the option to take the comment forms home and mail them back by December 12, 2013.

Public Official and Agency/Organization Attendance

In addition to the general public, several of the forty-two attendees who signed the attendance sheet were local public officials and agency attendees. These attendees are listed below.

Village of Hoffman Estates

- Anna Newell, Trustee
- Bill McLeod, Mayor

Village of South Barrington

- Paula McCombie, Village President
- Mark Masciola, Village Administrator (CAG Member)

Schaumburg Township

- Larry Weniger, Administrator



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Illinois Tollway

- Richard Russo
- Greg Dreyer
- Rick Hanba

Other Agencies and Organizations

- Fred Crespo – State Representative, Hoffman Estates
- Charlotte O’Donnell – Pace (CAG Member)
- Chris Byers, Federal Highway Administration
- Jim Hood – Cook County Commissioner Tim Schneider, 15th District

Comment Summary

Zero (0) comment forms were completed and returned at the meeting.

Four (4) persons submitted verbal comments to the court reporter, as summarized below:

- A resident of South Barrington commented that she has been advocating the expansion of Barrington Road from IL 62 to IL 68 to state officials for twelve years. She believes that the Barrington Road at I-90 interchange improvement project will increase traffic volumes on Barrington Road between IL 62 and IL 68, increasing the need to expand that portion of the road.
- A resident of Schaumburg stated he was looking for more information regarding transit, specifically the Pace park-n-ride and the future STAR line. He also wanted verification of the toll plazas with the proposed project, as well as to understand how Pace would implement a pedestrian bridge across I-90 for the BRT station and park-n-ride.
- A resident of South Barrington and CEO of Rose Packing Company stated concern that the proposed modifications to the existing driveways to the Hilton and Mill Rose properties on Barrington Road, north of the interchange, will lead to hotel traffic rerouting through the Mill Rose property, creating traffic congestion and increasing liabilities.
- A resident of South Barrington spoke in favor of the proposed project. She stated that if they miss the current eastbound exit at IL 59, it results in sixteen miles of out-of-distance travel. She was in favor of the proposed interchange design and the aesthetics, and is pleased to see proposed capacity additions to Barrington Road.