

ONLINE PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTER MEETING

Lackawanna Station Improvement Project

Wednesday, June 24th, 2020

7:00 pm to 8:30 pm



PROJECT FACT SHEET



- **Project Purpose**
- **Project Limits – Various Location throughout Bloomfield Center**
- **Project Sponsor – Bloomfield Township**
- **Funding Program – Federal Grant Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)**
- **Funding - \$290,000+/-**
- **Administration – NJDOT Local Aid**
- **NJDOT Design Assistance Program**
- **Federal Delivery Process (NEPA Process)**

COMMUNITY AND STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH

Community Stakeholders Meeting (March 3, 2020)

- ✓ **Township Officials** – Boards and Commissions, DPW, Police, Parks & Rec, Engineer, Planner, Admin, Governing Body, Historic Preservation, etc.
- ✓ **Non-Profits & Interest Groups** – Bloomfield Center Alliance, New Jersey Bike & Walk Coalition, etc.
- ✓ **Government Agencies** – Essex County, NJ Transit, NJTA, Board of Ed., etc.
- ✓ **Private Entities and General Public** – Bloomfield College, Train Users, Property and business owners, etc.



WHAT WE LEARNED SO FAR



- Signs should be constructed to allow for future replacement/updates as the Center changes over time.
- Proposed Signs should be branded and compliment Center initiatives.
- Incorporate elements of Watsessing Park Attractions into signage.
- Complement future redevelopment of historic train station into improvements along Lackawanna Place and Signage (i.e. streetlights)
- Incorporate local business into signage *(unfortunately, not possible)*

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS



- **Phases of Work (Preliminary Engineering / Final Design / Construction)**
- **Description of Proposed Improvements:**
 - **Installation of Wayfinding Signage**
 - **Signage will consider Vehicular / Bicyclist & Pedestrian**
 - **Types of Signage: Gateway / Directory & Pedestrian Kiosk / Directional**
 - **Context of Signage: Origins and Destinations / Branding**
 - **Vehicular Signage – Route to Parking Garages**
 - **Pedestrian Signage – along Wayfinding Routes**
 - **Improvement along Lackawanna Place fronting Station**

DELIVERY STRATEGIES



- **Develop Project Goals and Objectives (Grant Application)**
- **Form a Stakeholder Group and Procure Input**
- **Identify Origins (Pedestrian & Bicyclist / Motor Vehicles)**
- **Identify Destinations (Pedestrian & Bicyclist / Motor Vehicles)**
- **Identify Pedestrian Wayfinding and Motor Vehicle Routes**
- **Identify Sign Locations and Types (Gateway/ Directional / Directory)**
- **Develop a Theme and Appearance of Signage (Branding)**
- **Procure Public Input**
- **Documentation and Prepare Plans**

IDENTIFY ORIGINS



MOTOR VEHICLE

- **Arterial Gateways into Bloomfield Center**

(GSP / Bloomfield Avenue / Franklin Street / Glenwood Avenue / Broad Street)

PEDESTRIANS

- **Train Station Entrances**
- **Parking Lot (Pay Stations) and Garages Entrance**
- **Bus Stops**



IDENTIFY DESTINATIONS



MOTOR VEHICLE

- Parking Lots and Garages (Servicing Areas)

PEDESTRIANS

- Government & Public Offices - Civic Plaza, Library, Civic Center Post Office etc..
- Parks and Recreation – Watsessing Park, etc.
- Transit – Train Station, Bus Stops, Public Parking Garages
- Business Centers – Shops at BC, Restaurant Row, etc.
- Schools and Private and Religious Institutions – Bloomfield College

IDENTIFY WAYFINDING ROUTES AND SIGNAGE



A. BRANDING AND CONSISTENCY OF SIGNAGE

B. MOTOR VEHICLE SIGN LOCATIONS

Wayfinding Routes from Origins to Destinations

Types – Gateway and Directional Signs (Parking Areas)

C. PEDESTRIAN SIGN LOCATIONS

Wayfinding Routes from Origins to Destinations

Types - Directional and Directory / Pedestrian Kiosks

SIGN APPEARANCE AND VISUALS



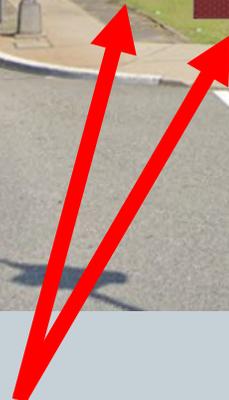
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SAMPLES

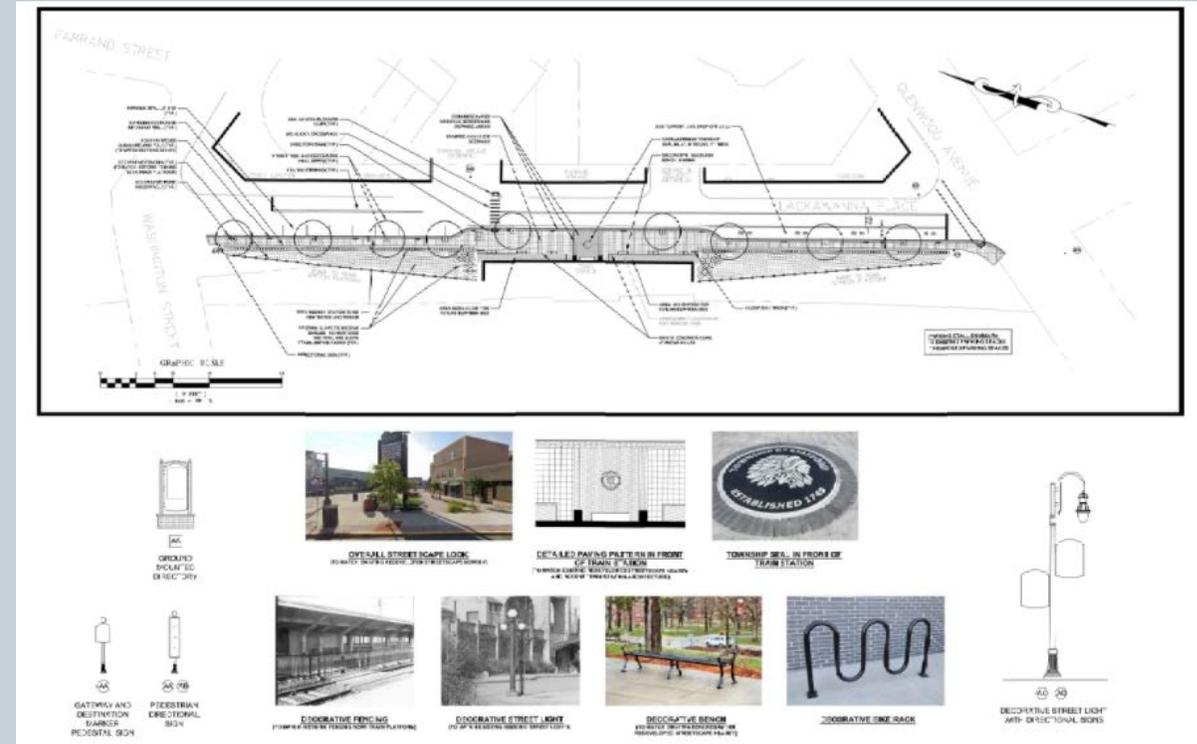


VISUAL SIGN RENDERINGS



LACKAWANNA PLACE IMPROVEMENTS

- New Curb, Sidewalk and Paving
- Courtyard Fronting Train Station / Placemaking
- Bus Stop and Dropoff Area
- New Midblock Crossing
- Streetscaping and Landscaping
- New Wayfinding Signage
- New Street Lights



PROJECT STATUS / NEXT STEPS



Preliminary Engineering (Fall 2020)

- ❑ Data Collection – Surveys and Screenings
- ❑ PE Design and Reporting – Cost Estimates
- ❑ Consultation and Reviews
- ❑ Documentation and Clearances
- ❑ Complete Preliminary Engineering

Final Design (Spring 2021 / Fall 2021)

- ❑ Bid Documents
- ❑ Agreements
- ❑ Permits and Approvals
- ❑ Authorizations

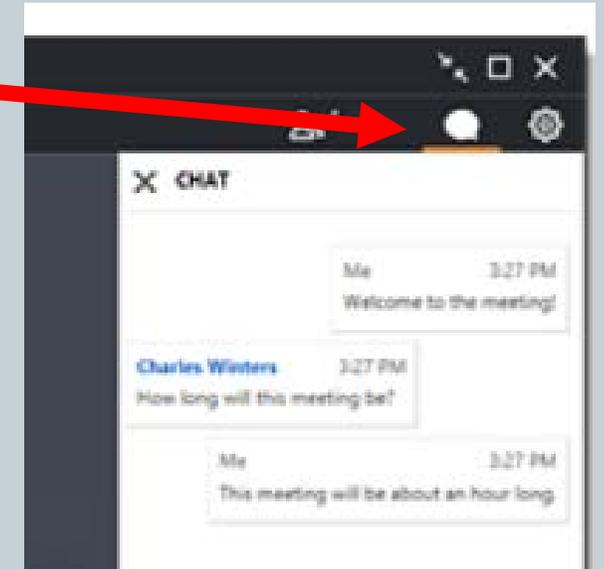
Construction (Early 2022)

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- ❑ Authorizations

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS



- Please type questions in the chat box (upper right side of the screen – chat bubble in the center)
- Questions will be answered in the order received
- If you would like to ask a question verbally, please type “UNMUTE FOR QUESTION” (or something similar) and you will be called upon
- Phone-in callers will be unmuted one at a time to see if you would like to ask a question to the project team



THANK YOU, BLOOMFIELD!



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