

## LEGAL NOTE OF PLANNED IMPROVEMENT

DES. NO. 1901669

The City of Fishers is developing plans for the proposed 126<sup>th</sup> Street and Southeastern Parkway Intersection Improvement Project (Des. No. 1901669) located at the intersection of 126<sup>th</sup> Street and Southeastern Parkway in Fishers, Hamilton County, Indiana.

The need for this project is evidenced by the number of vehicular accidents at the 126<sup>th</sup> Street and Southeastern Parkway intersection, as well as the existing level of service (LOS) of E (unacceptable) for the eastbound approach of the intersection. LOS is a scale (A through F) which classifies operating conditions of roads. In general, the operating conditions of intersections are considered acceptable if found to operate as LOS D or better. Additionally, the need for this project is evidenced by the lack of pedestrian connectivity between the Thorpe Creek housing addition, the Avalon of Fishers housing addition, Thorpe Creek Elementary School, St. John Vianney Catholic Church, and Heartland Church. The purpose of the project is to reduce vehicle conflict points that result in serious injuries and damage at the 126<sup>th</sup> Street and Southeastern Parkway intersection, improve the LOS of the intersection to LOS D or better, and provide pedestrian connectivity between the housing additions and the institutional facilities located along 126<sup>th</sup> Street and Southeastern Parkway in the vicinity of the project area.

The project proposes to convert the stop-controlled intersection to a roundabout intersection. The roundabout will consist of one 16-foot wide travel lane with curb and gutter, an 86-foot wide raised center island bordered by an 8-foot wide truck apron and a 16-foot wide painted buffer (future travel lane). The intersection approach for Southeastern Parkway will consist of double entry and exit lanes that include two 12-foot wide travel lanes with concrete splitter islands. The intersection approach for 126<sup>th</sup> Street will have single entry and exit lanes that consist of one 12-foot wide travel lane and concrete splitter islands; however, the eastbound approach of 126<sup>th</sup> Street will also include a dedicated right-turn lane. Five-foot wide sidewalks will be constructed in the northeast and southeast quadrants of the intersection and 10-foot-wide multi-use paths will be constructed in the northwest and southwest quadrants of the intersection. Marked pedestrian crosswalks and pedestrian refuge islands will be added at all approaches of the intersection. American with Disability Act (ADA) compliant curb ramps will also be constructed as part of this project. Reconstruction of the pavement along 126<sup>th</sup> Street and Southeastern Parkway within the project area will occur and new storm sewers will be constructed. Additionally, a stormwater detention pond will be constructed in the southwest quadrant of the intersection.

The proposed construction of this project will require approximately 1.31 acres of new permanent right-of-way and approximately 0.24 acre of temporary right-of-way. No relocations are anticipated as a result of the project.

The maintenance of traffic (MOT) for the project will require a complete closure of the intersection with a planned detour to route vehicles around the closure. An approximately 4.54-mile detour utilizing Olio Road, 136<sup>th</sup> Street, and Cyntheanne Road will be implemented. The MOT will be in place for the duration of construction, approximately 12 months. Access to all properties will be maintained throughout construction. School corporations and emergency services will be notified of closures prior to construction. The proposed start of construction is Winter 2024.

The cost associated with this project is approximately \$3,140,000 which includes preliminary engineering and construction with both federal and local funds anticipated to be used. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) have agreed this project falls within the

guidelines of a Categorical Exclusion (CE) Level 3 environmental document. Preliminary design plans along with the CE are available for review at the following locations:

1. Online at the American Structurepoint, Inc. Website – [www.structurepointpublic.com/126thandSoutheasternParkway](http://www.structurepointpublic.com/126thandSoutheasternParkway)
2. In person at the Hamilton East Public Library, 5 Municipal Drive Fishers, IN 46038
3. In person at the Fishers City Hall, 1 Municipal Dr, Fishers, IN 46038

Persons with limited internet access may request the project information be mailed, please contact Mr. Scott Farrell at (317) 547-5580 or [sfarrell@structurepoint.com](mailto:sfarrell@structurepoint.com). A copy of the CE may also be mailed upon request.

**All interested persons may request a public hearing be held and/or express their concerns by submitting comments to the attention of Scott Farrell, American Structurepoint, Inc, 9025 River Road, Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46240 or [sfarrell@structurepoint.com](mailto:sfarrell@structurepoint.com) on or before July 20, 2023.**

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons and/or groups requiring project information be made available in alternative formats are encouraged to contact Scott Farrell at (317) 547-5580 or [sfarrell@structurepoint.com](mailto:sfarrell@structurepoint.com) for the arrangement and coordination of services. In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, persons and/or groups requiring project information be made available in another language are encouraged to contact Scott Farrell at (317) 547-5580 or [sfarrell@structurepoint.com](mailto:sfarrell@structurepoint.com).

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