

**Streetscape Program Update
Wednesday April 19, 2023**

Phase VI: Design Grant Application:

- Received this e-mail from Mark Scoular on Tuesday 4-18-2023

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to Travis, bcc: me

Thank you for submitting your West Virginia Division of Highways Online Grant Application for the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2022 Transportation Alternatives (TA) and Recreational Trails Program (RTP) grant cycle. We received a significant number of requests for excellent projects, but due to financial constraints, we were not able to award all the requests.

This email is to let you know that your application was not selected for an award. On behalf of the West Virginia Division of Highways (DOH), I would like to thank you for your interest and offer you the best for the success of your project. If you wish to be considered for future funding opportunities with the TA and RTP, you are welcome to re-apply. The FFY 2023 grant cycle is scheduled with the Intent to Apply to open on May 1, 2023, and the Application deadline is scheduled for June 15, 2023. Please review and update your email at the Online Grant Application Website and watch for an email with the official dates. As a reminder, the Online Grant Application website is: <http://dohgrants.wv.gov>.

Should you have any questions pertaining to your FFY 2022 application or the upcoming FFY 2023 grant cycle, please contact Mr. Mark Scoular, Project Manager with our Grant Administration Unit within our Planning Division at (304) 414-6937 or by email at R.Mark.Scoular@wv.gov.

Thank you,

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- Of Note:
 - This was the application for the Design Grant for the Phase VI Blocks: Streetlights on Mercer St; Congress St from No. Washington to Mercer and north side up to Green St, and Union St from No. Washinton to Mercer.
 - We had previously worked out a tentative sequence of Design and Construction Grants that began with the Phase V Design Grant (awarded) followed by Phase V Construction Grant (awarded), followed by Phase VI Design Grant (not awarded) and so on. The idea was to have a Design or Construction Grant awarded every year or other year.
 - In reality, DOH delayed the Notice to Proceed (NTP) for the Phase V design work until late January 2023, about 3 months after the Town and Thrasher signed the basic Task Order Contract. The design work is currently under way with a preliminary design review being scheduled in late April/early May.
- The Downside:
 - We will not be able to start design work on Congress St as hoped. This will delay the Town's ability to address drainage issues and sidewalks on the north side of Congress St as planned.
 - We will not be able to design and install street lighting on Mercer St under the Streetscape Program as planned. We plan to continue the preliminary design of the lighting as part of the on-going Phase V design.
- The "Probably OK Side":
 - We have sufficient funds to meet the required 20% Town cash match for both Phase V Design and Construction. We have not yet started to accumulate the match funds for Phase VI Design or Construction. The Phase VI design delay will give us more time to do this.

Phase V: Design Contract: (Current situation)

- Jeff Gola (Thrasher design) visited the Town on March 13th to review the proposed design changes for Phase V. These were discussed in detail and we believe there was sufficient input to complete the 30% design product and to Schedule the PFR (Preliminary Field Review) in the Town
- Jeff is working with DOH (Josh Vincent) to schedule that PFR - Target is late April /early May. Successful completion of this event will trigger a payment to Thrasher from the Town's Streetscape Account. I'll provide the scheduled date for the PFR when available.

Pete Brown
Streetscape Committee