

East Ave sidewalk project moving forward

The Town held a public information meeting about the East Avenue Sidewalk Project on May 25 at St. John Fisher College. Town Public Works Commissioner Paul Schenkel presented detailed information about preliminary plans for Phase I of the potentially three-phase project. Phase I includes sidewalk construction along the west side of North Main Street/East Avenue from the Village line to the south entrance of Kilbourn Road. Conceptual plans for all three phases of the project, which would encompass sidewalks further along the east, west/south, and north sides of East Avenue, were available for viewing and attendees were encouraged to provide comments and feedback about the overall project as well as for Phase I. Town engineers completed the preliminary project plans based in part on suggestions received from residents in the immediate area.

Town staff will evaluate the public comments received for Phase I of the project and incorporate them into the final plan design as appropriate. The final Phase I design plan is expected to be completed by August and submitted to the NYS Department of Transportation for approval.

The focus of the Town’s East Avenue Sidewalk Project is to provide safe pedestrian access along East Avenue from the adjoining neighborhoods, colleges and the Village of Pittsford. Phase II of the project would include sidewalks on the west side of East Avenue from Kilbourn Road to Fairport Road, and along the south side of East Avenue to the Brighton town line. Phase III would construct sidewalks along the east side of East Avenue from Alpine Drive to Fairport Road, along the north and south sides of Fairport Road from Murphy Hall (near the Fairport Road exit of Alpine Drive) to the East Avenue intersection, and continuing along the north side of Fairport Road to the north entrance of Kilbourn Road.

Concept plan drawings for all three phases of the East Avenue Sidewalk Project are currently available to view in the Public Works Department on the second floor of Town Hall, 11 South Main Street. A link to the concept map for the potential three-phase project can be found on the Project Updates page of the Town website at www.townofpittsford.org/project-updates. Additional comments about the project are welcome and may be made to Town Public Works Commissioner Paul Schenkel via email at pschenkel@townofpittsford.org or via phone at (585) 248-6250. As always, please feel free to contact me as well at bsmith@townofpittsford.org or (585) 248-6220 about this or any Town topic.