

East William Street Widening

May 2020

Project Background

In 2005, the City applied for and received federal earmark funding to study a by-pass proposed for the southeast side from US23 to US36. However, a combination of factors including an economic recession prompted the state to conclude that without significantly more funding from the City and state, the southeast by-pass initiative was no longer supportable. In 2012, the City was allowed to reallocate the remainder of the \$4 million earmark toward making improvements to East William Street, since a by-pass was no longer supported.

Justification for the East William Street improvement project focused on reducing daily traffic congestion, delay, and associated traffic accidents on this state route arterial and designated freight movement corridor.



Improvements

- Widening East William Street from Richardson to Foley Street to accommodate a center turn lane allowing thru traffic to be separated from left turning vehicles.
- Replacement of the pedestrian bridge over William Street at Lake Street to accommodate a wider intersection with improved turning radii and sight distance, specifically for large truck movements.
- Reconfiguration of the Channing-Ann Street signal to a Channing-Cheshire traffic signal. The new arrangement will accommodate side street movements from Channing and Cheshire Street as well as pedestrian movements associated with the adjacent Conger Elementary school.
- New curbs, sidewalks and street lighting.

Schedule & Status

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| • Study & Design | 2014-2018 | Complete |
| • Property Acquisition | 2018-2019 | Complete |
| • Utility Relocation | 2019 | Complete End of May |
| • Construction | Spring 2019-Summer 2020 | Underway |

Project Budget

• Study & Design	\$750,000
• Property Acquisition	\$350,000
• Construction	<u>\$5,925,000</u>
	\$7,025,000

Project Funding

• Federal Earmark	\$3,700,000
• MORPC STP	\$900,000
• State Safety Program	\$750,000
• Local Funding	<u>\$1,675,000</u>
	\$7,025,000

Project Updates

For weekly project updates and reports, visit the Access Delaware Facebook page. You may also contact the project manager Matt Weber at mweber@delawareohio.net for specific questions regarding this initiative.

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