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MEETING NOTES

PROJECT:	Winooski/Burlington Bridge over Winooski River Scoping Study	DATE OF ME	ETING: 4/3/2018
LOCATION:	Chittenden County RPC Conference Room	TIME:	6:30 PM - 8:00 PM
SUBJECT:	Advisory Committee Meeting #4		

ATTENDED BY:

CCRPC:	Peter Keating, Eleni Churchill, Jason Charest, Marshall Distel
McFarland Johnson (MJ):	David Kull, Brian Colburn
VTrans	Jonathan Griffin
Burlington Ward 1 NPA	Wayne Senville, Richard Hillyard
Burlington Ward 1 C.C.	Sharon Bushor
Burlington Planning	Nicole Losch
Winooski Public Works	Jon Raushcher, Ryan Lambert
UVM Medical Center	David Keelty
City of Winooski	Heather Carrington
Winooski Ward 1 C.C.	Richard Deane

AGENDA ITEMS:

- 1. Welcome / Introductions
- 2. Review of Alternatives Developed to Date
- 3. Progress & Updates Since Previous Advisory Committee Meeting (12/11/17)
- 4. Summary of Input and Comments from Public Concerns Meeting (2/6/18)
- 5. Anticipated Resource Impacts
- 6. Preliminary Cost Estimates
- 7. Draft Scoping Report Development & Decision Matrix
- 8. Next Steps

NOTES ON MEETING:

The following points of discussion were held during the meeting:

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- A question was asked regarding the similarities between the current proposed Alternative 4, which allows for a lateral bridge slide, and the recent bridge collapse that occurred at Florida International University. D. Kull and J. Griffin explained that it was a different method of bridge slide, and that the current proposal in Alternative 4 will not have traffic on or under the bridge at any point during the slide operation.
- Impacts to Mill Street businesses in Burlington could be significant depending on the Alternative chosen and access for construction that is allowed. The alternative chosen should minimize impacts to these businesses as much as possible.
- City officials from both Burlington and Winooski indicated that the impacts due to construction should be balanced between the Cities of Burlington and Winooski.
- The protected multi-use path option as shown conceptually on the plans allows for multiple roadway and lane configurations, and can be specified on both sides of the proposed bridge.
- The proposed bridge sections as shown in the presentation for Alternative 4 will be modified to show multiple configurations with the protected multi-use path, reduced shoulders (2' wide), full width shoulders, etc.
- The proposed hotel may still be constructed within the vacant lot that is adjacent to the bridge on the Winooski side of the bridge.
- Construction access to the bridge from the park adjacent to the bridge on the Winooski side of the river may be possible, but there is a potential for historic and archaeological impacts at that site. In addition, construction access from that site would significantly impact the adjacent residents and businesses.
- For Alternatives 1 & 2, the pedestrian bridge should be shown on the upstream side of the bridge.
- Jon G. indicated that this project may be funded and constructed in phases to help reduce the cost impact to the Vermont local bridge aid fund.
- On the decision matrix, note which alternatives can be constructed using accelerated bridge construction (ABC).
- For alternatives 1 & 2, note the roadway and pedestrian impacts with a separate pedestrian bridge as a neutral impact.

Submitted by:

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cc: Attendees