

MAIN STREET HIGH SIDE PROJECT UPDATES



Welcome to the Main Street High Side Project Newsletter!

The goal of this newsletter is to keep our community informed about the progress of the Main Street High Side Project. This newsletter will include regular construction updates, answers to frequently asked questions and provide important contacts for those desiring more information.

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What is the High Side Project?

The Main Street High Side Project is a City of Winchester project to make improvements on the High Side of Main Street (the side with steps) between Broadway Street and Lexington Avenue.

The goal of the project is to improve access for all users and enhance safety, mobility and the appearance of downtown Winchester.

NEW PROJECT NOTES

City Commission accepts bid for High Side project

At the Tuesday, March 18, meeting of the Winchester Board of Commissioners, a bid was approved for the Main Street High Side project. The bid was awarded to The Allen Company for \$3.49 million.

Sealed bids were first advertised Feb. 22, and were accepted until 2 p.m. Monday, March 17. At that time, city leadership opened and reviewed the bids to make a recommendation to the commission.

There were three bids - \$3.49 million, \$3.58 million and \$3.98 million. Palmer Engineering, the engineering consultant on the project, recommended the City accept the bid from The Allen Company.

A pre-construction meeting between the City and The Allen Company will be scheduled within the next week. During the pre-construction meeting, documents and contracts will be signed. The Allen Company and City leadership will also work together to establish a timeline for the project.

After this meeting, there will be monthly progress meetings between City staff and The Allen Company.

The City was the recipient of a Transportation Alternatives Program grant for \$4.44 million to fund construction of the project. This is an 80/20 grant, with the City covering 20 percent of the costs and the grant funding covering the additional costs. According to the Memorandum of Agreement, which was signed by the City of Winchester Feb. 4 and KYTC Feb. 14, funding for the project will be distributed in phases.

Need more information?

Do you desire more information or have concerns about the project? Contact City Manager Bruce Manley at bmanley@winchesterky.com.

Are you a downtown business or property owner who desires an in-person meeting to discuss the project? Contact Whitney Leggett, director of strategic communications and downtown development, at wleggett@winchesterky.com.

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