

**ROCHELLE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
AGENDA ITEM NO.**

**SUBJECT: Emergency Repairs to the City of Rochelle Railroad Crossing at the Caron Road Americold entrance.**

**Staff Contact:** Jason Anderson

**Summary:** This City of Rochelle Railroad (CRRR) crossing at the entrance of the Americold facility off Caron Road has become a hazard, as the substructure of the crossing is failing. There is only one ingress and egress point to this facility off Caron Road and it crosses the CRRR mainline. 160 trucks per day come in and out of this facility. Efforts, to minimize the impact of the dropping of the crossing that occurs as trucks go in and out of the Americold facility have not been successful. Therefore, the whole crossing needs to be removed and replaced. MJ Track Works has come up with a solution whereby a temporary access point will be constructed so truck and auto access to the Americold facility is open while the RR crossing is lifted out and a new crossing panel can be installed. To minimize the impact of the closed crossing, MK Track Works will pre-build the crossing panel on site and will then over a Friday to Sunday weekend remove the old crossing, rebuild the substructures (rock), place the new 100 ft panel on to the entrance, rock the crossing, lift and level it and replace the crossing panels. The project was not in the 2024 budget; however the rail budget sets aside 40% of annual revenues to provide the capital for unexpected repairs, such as this, and future rail expansion projects. These are the funds which will cover the cost of this repair.

**Funding Sources:**

Source:	Budgeted Amount:	Proposed Expenditure:
CIR Capital/ Maintenance Fund	\$0.00	\$88,539

**Recommendation:** City Staff recommends approval of this emergency repair to the CRRR crossing at the entrance of the Caron Road Americold facility

**Supporting Documents:**

Resolution Waiving Competitive Bidding Requirements and Authorizing Emergency Repairs to the crossings adjacent to Caron Road and Americold Entrance  
MJ.Track Works, Inc Cost Estimate  
Americold GIS Aerial View