

Engineering Division of the Public Works Department

To: Interim Chairman Beyer and Bicycle and Pedestrian Path Task Force Members

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Subject: Labaree Street Reconstruction Design

Background

The City of Watertown was awarded a Surface Transportation Program (STP) grant from WisDOT for reconstruction of Labaree Street between Division Street and Anne Street. Part of this project includes sidewalk and bicycle path improvements.

A Request for Proposals (RFP) for engineering services was posted and an agreement with McMahon Associates, Inc., the selected consultant, has been executed. The consultant has been collecting information and working through preliminary design, reports and communications with WisDOT and City Staff to improve walkability and bicycle routes along Labaree Street, particularly as it runs along and through Riverside Park. Design is planned for 2025 and 2026, with construction in 2028.

Budget Goal

1. Proactively maintains and improves our parks and infrastructure to ensure safety, quality, and equity
2. Fosters community growth by assessing opportunities, stakeholder input, environmental needs, and modern code and policy priorities
3. Maintains a safe and healthy community, with an eye toward future needs and trends

Financial Impact

Design costs for reconstruction of Labaree Street per the agreement are \$202,607.00. Design of the sidewalk and bicycle path improvements are included in the overall street reconstruction cost.