

Add-A-Lane Project Update (Submitted by MassDOT)

The following information has been provided by Project Manager, Larry Cash at the request of the City of Newton for purposes of informing the Waban Area Council at their monthly meeting on September 11, 2014:

- The bid opening was held on July 22nd and the Apparent low bidder is Barletta Heavy Division, Inc. with the apparent low bid \$137,519,200.
- The anticipated Contract Award date is September 24th
- The Construction Notice to Proceed is anticipated for late October.
- Once the NTP is issued, a Pre-Construction Conference will be held at District 6 Office in Boston. This will likely occur in November.
- All the Utility companies, Police, Fire and City/Town point of contacts should attend the Pre-Con at District 6.
- MassDOT intends to have a point of Contact for Needham, Wellesley, and Newton.
- Each City/Town point of contact will be invited to attend the meetings held onsite with the MassDOT Resident Engineer and Contractor, and Owners Rep. These meetings will occur every 2-3 weeks once the construction gets underway.
- The contract has a Public Outreach item in the contract. The contractor will be responsible for holding a hearing prior to beginning of construction. The contractor will provide monthly project status updates. There will be a website and email blast available for these updates. There will be a sign-up site so those interested to receive the emails updates can receive them.
- Regarding Newton, I expect Bill Paille, Director of Transportation, to serve as the point of contact and of course receive all email updates and invites to such onsite meetings. The City may also assign someone else if your schedule does not permit.
- The Contractor's schedule has not been defined yet. It is usually released shortly after the Pre-construction conference. I expect utility relocations and demolition to be some of the earlier action items during late fall and through the winter. The core of construction will not get underway until spring season.