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WEBSTER AVENUE CORRIDOR STUDY

To compliment planned and future developments along Webster Avenue the Village is interested in improving the functionality of Webster Avenue to make more inviting to pedestrians and businesses. Desired improvements could potentially include bike lanes (unlikely), a terrace of adequate width for snow storage, planters, benches and ornamental trees and 5ft sidewalk.

To minimize cost and impacts the Village is looking to achieve the desired outcome (welcoming environment) by utilizing existing roadway features to the greatest extent possible.

To create space along the outside of the roadway for street scaping amenities the Village has requested proposals from consultants to study the traffic and access on Webster Avenue from Allouez Ave north to the Village Limits. The purpose of the study is to better understand traffic volumes, and turn movements (sideroads and business) to determine how best to modify or use the existing roadway elements to minimize the need of right-of-way:

- Existing roadway's ability to handle traffic (level of service)
- Closure of midblock median openings
- Elimination of or reduction in the median width
- Left turn lane needs at sideroads and businesses
- Preferred roadway typical section

Our goal is to improve the functionality, appearance and pedestrian amenities along Webster Ave by better use of the existing roadway elements and space.

The Village has recently selected RaSmith to complete a corridor study (at Village Expense). RaSmith has prepared a draft proposal to study the desired outcome described above. Before finalizing the scope of work and cost contained in the proposal, Village staff will be meeting with the County to review to ensure all parties are in agreement with the scope as outlined in the proposal.