

#### Public Meeting New Carlisle Traffic Signal Upgrade Project (CLA-235-04.44/04.77, PID 104677)

**Date:** Wednesday, June 14, 2017

**Time:** 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

**Location:** New Carlisle Fire Station

315 N. Church Street New Carlisle, Ohio 45344

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The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), in cooperation with the City of New Carlisle, is hosting an **Open House Meeting** to provide interested parties an opportunity to review and comment on the planned traffic signal upgrade at State Route 235/Lake Avenue and State Route 235/State Route 571. Staff from ODOT and the City of New Carlisle will be available to answer questions and take your comments regarding the proposed improvement.

At 6:00 pm, the project team will provide a brief project update, followed by an opportunity for citizens to make public statements or ask questions publicly, if they choose. Citizens desiring to make public statements will be asked to limit their statements to less than three minutes. Following the public presentation and forum, citizens will be provided an opportunity to speak one-on-one with members of the project team.

We encourage you to stop by and discuss the project with us. If you are unable to attend, but would like to provide comments or have questions, please return the enclosed comment form or contact the individuals listed above.

### Clark County Ohio GIS



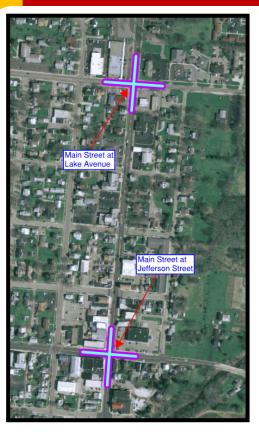


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#### What is the project?

The City of New Carlisle proposes to reconstruct the existing traffic signals on Main Street (State Route 235) at its intersections with Lake Avenue and Jefferson Street (State Route 571).

The existing strain wire signals will be replaced with mast arm signals. The signal poles will be relocated further from the curb, to reduce vehicle strikes. The new signal heads will include backplates, for improved visibility and will utilize high efficiency LED lighting. The new signal will include pedestrian signals and call buttons

The City also proposes to add dedicated left turn lanes on all approaches to the Main Street at Jefferson Street intersection.

#### Is this project needed?

The existing traffic and crossing signals are outdated. The strain cables that support the signal heads require frequent maintenance. These signals lack backplates, a safety feature that improves signal visibility. The existing signals are also energy-inefficient, using incandescent lighting.

Congestion due to turning movement vehicles is regularly observed the intersection of Main and Jefferson Streets.

#### Who will pay for this project?

The proposed upgrades are 100% funded, up to \$650,600, with federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality funds awarded through the Clark County-Springfield Transportation Coordinating Committee. Any costs above \$650,600 will be the responsibility of the City.

#### What acquisition is required for the project?

The project will require minor temporary and permanent acquisition at the intersection corners, to allow for the relocation of the signal poles. Affected property owners will be contacted at a later date to discuss the right-of-way needs, the acquisition process, and property owner rights under the process.



### Will the project affect historic resources?

While several older properties are present

in the vicinity of the project, no properties along the corridor have been previously determined eligible for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). Given the limited scope of the project, the project is unlikely to adversely affect historic properties. However, we welcome your thoughts regarding the historic character of the project corridor and the effect of the project. The Section 106 Consulting Party form included in the handouts may be used to request Section 106 Consulting Party status on this project.

### What will the signals poles look like? Will they be decorative?

Currently, the City proposes to install standard mast-arm poles, painted black to match the existing street lights along the corridor.

Decorative mast arm options will be reviewed by the City for possible use on this project. The decorative pole option would be an additional expense to the City.

### Will the new left turns be protected left turns?

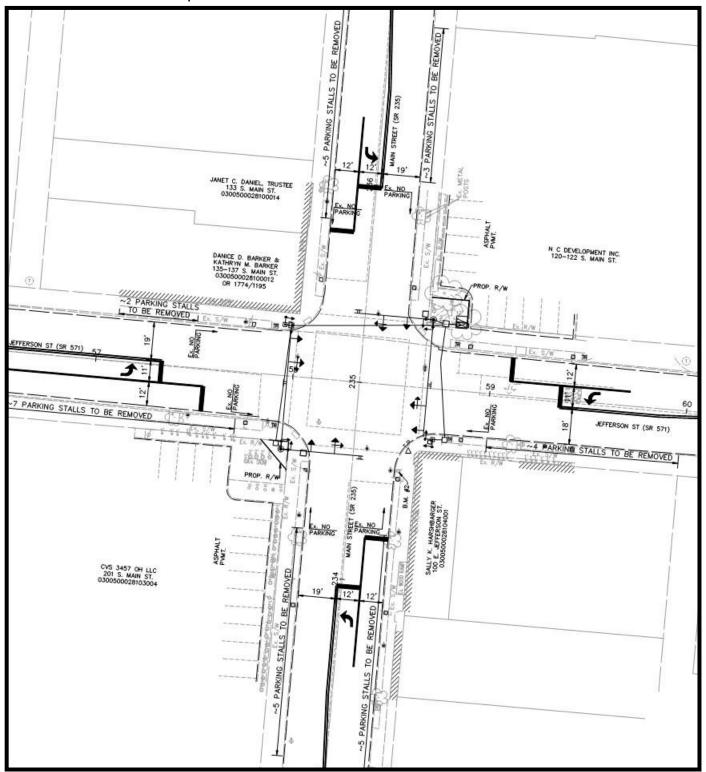
All left turns will have a protected/permissive left turn signal.

### Will the new left turn signals be vehicle activated and will the two signals be coordinated?

Yes. The signals will be vehicle activated by Doppler radar units, which will also be programmed to optimize traffic signal timing. The traffic signals for the two intersections will be connected by radio interconnect to establish a communication between the signals.



Proposed Turn Lanes at Main and Jefferson Streets



#### Will the project reduce on-street parking?

If the proposed dedicated turn lanes are provided at the intersection of Main Street and Jefferson Street, the project will require a reduction in on-street parking. Approximately 30 on-street parking spaces are expected to be eliminated. A City-owned parking lot is available on Church Street and the City will install way-finding signage for the public parking.

### Will the roadways be closed to traffic during construction?

Main Street, Lake Avenue, and Jefferson Street will remain open to traffic throughout construction, although lane shifts and temporary lane closures will be required to protect workers and the public.

### Will property access/driveway configurations be affected?

No drive changes to existing drives are expected under this project.

#### When will the project occur?

The project is expected to start in the Fall of 2019 and be completed by the Fall of 2020.

### Will the project interfere with the New Carlisle Festival of Flight?

The project should not interfere with the Festival of Flight. The project will begin after the festival in the Fall of 2019, and the work should be completed prior to the start of the Festival in Fall 2020.

### When will we know the City's decision regarding turn lanes?

At the conclusion of the comment period, the City will select a preferred alternative, based on many factors, including safety needs, design requirements, project costs and public input. A follow-up letter will be provided to all meeting attendees and other identified stakeholders, presenting the City's selected alternative.

### Questions or Comments?

**City of New Carlisle:** 

**Howard Kitko** 

Contact Us!

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## Comment Form New Carlisle Traffic Signal Upgrade Project (CLA-235-04.44/04.77, PID 104677)

Please use this form to provide comments regarding the proposed Traffic Signal Upgrade. Comments may be handed in at the public meeting or submitted by email, mail or telephone to the individuals listed below. Please provide comments by 07/17/2017.

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The project is intended to improve the safety and efficiency of the intersections of Main Street (SR 235) at Jefferson Street (SR 571) and Lake Avenue. The project will reduce motorist delay while driving the corridor by improving vehicle detection and retiming the traffic signal. Additionally, left turn lanes and left turn traffic signal heads will be installed at Main St. and Jefferson St. which will improve the overall operation of the traffic signal. Please provide any concerns you have regarding any traffic signal or lane improvements at these intersections:
Adding the left turn lanes at Main Street and Jefferson Street will require the removal of approximately 30 on- street parking spaces. Please provide any concerns you have regarding the removal of parking spaces in order to provide the turn lanes.
Other comments: Attach additional sheets as necessary.

#### New Carlisle Traffic Signal Upgrade Project

#### (CLA-235-04.44/04.77, PID 104677) Section 106 Consulting Party Request Form

The City of New Carlisle proposes to upgrade the traffic signals at the intersections of Main Street (State Route 235) with Lake Avenue and Jefferson Street (State Route 571). The existing signals are outdated project is necessary to address the outdated condition of the signals. The City is also consideration the provision of dedicated left turn lanes on all approaches to the Main Street/Jefferson Street intersection. As part of the project's environmental review, the project corridor will be evaluated to determine if the project will affect properties that meet the criteria for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Properties.

Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 requires Federal agencies to consider the effects of their actions on historic properties. The Section 106 process seeks to incorporate historic values into project planning through consultation among the Federal and state agencies, and other parties with an interest in the effects of the undertaking on historic properties.

Individuals or organizations with a demonstrated interest in the effects of the undertaking on historic properties may be invited to become consulting parties. The various consulting parties work together with the project team to collect data regarding historic resources, discuss options, provide multiple viewpoints, and seek common agreement on the incorporation of historic preservation values into the project.

If you are interested in becoming a consulting party, please provide your information at the bottom of this form and return to ODOT District 7, 1001 St. Mary's Avenue, Sidney, Ohio 45365, Attn: Tricia Bishop. Please respond no later than July 17, 2017. If you have information that will assist in evaluating the effect of the project on historic resources, please include that information with your response.

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