

## **I-270 North Project Newsletter**

Issue 7 November 2020

#### **Workforce Goals**

Total Minority Hours:

(34,348.05)

(34,346.03)

Total Female Hours:

23.2%

(38,954.60)

Total Workforce Hours: 167,787.30

As of September 2020

Millstone Weber, along with its designer, Parsons, is committed to closing the workforce gap by meeting and exceeding the federal workforce standards of 14.7 percent minority and 6.9 percent women participation per craft, including professional services. These numbers are reported on a monthly basis.

#### **DBE Goals**

Total Amount paid to DBE firms: \$6.2 Million (\$6,222,002.55)



Scheduled Payment Amount for the Entire Project:

(\$44,956,572)

Through September 2020

Millstone Weber is committed to meeting and exceeding the DBE goal of 22 percent for professional services and is on track to meet and exceed the DBE goal of 18 percent for construction services.

# **Upcoming DBE Training Opportunities**

11/20/2020 - Business Planning & Management for Construction

12/04/2020 - Estimating & Bidding

To learn more about these opportunities contact Vivian Martain, Millstone Weber Civil Rights Compliance Manager at 314-705-4689 or vivian.martain@millstoneweber.com

### Bellefontaine Roundabout Opens







Bellefontaine Roundabout is now open fully to the public for use. A roundabout is a one-way intersection that channels traffic around a central island without traffic signals. This new infrastructure will greatly improve safety for all. To learn more about the benefits of a roundabout click on the link the following link: <a href="https://youtu.be/X0RcTWEBtyM">https://youtu.be/X0RcTWEBtyM</a>

### Sign-up for I-270 North Project Updates

Drivers are encouraged to visit the project website at www.i270north.org to learn more about planned detours and about the specifics of the project, including a project overview and graphic displays of planned construction. In addition, website visitors can leave comments or signup for on-going updates. The public can also contact MoDOT's customer service center at 1-314-275-1500 or contact the I-270 North Project Team at: I270North@modot.mo.gov.

Learn more about the I-270 North Project at www.i270north.org



### Community Spotlight Chats

## Mayor Tim Lowery City of Florissant, MO



Mayor Tim Lowery of Florissant on location at the Washington/Elizabeth overpass during a recent project tour.

"I don't think a lot has been done through this stretch of I-270 north for many years," said Florissant Mayor Timothy Lowery. "I'm very excited about this project and glad to see MoDOT invest \$278 million in North St. Louis County." Lowery was born and raised in Florissant and served as its Police Chief from 2014 to 2019. In 2019, he became the City's mayor. He was a part of discussions about the possibility of an overhaul of I-270 North as early as 2014. Lowery worked alongside other members of the Community Information Group, meeting with MoDOT to discuss the need for the project, and the possibility of bringing it to fruition.

"Initially, I was a little concerned about the project plans; specifically, the one-way road conversions that could create possible access issues for business owners and residents. After speaking with some of the business owners, expressing our concerns to MoDOT and having them agree to include two U-turn bridges in the construction plans, the concerns about access were addressed."

Lowery says that addressing the U-turn bridges and other concerns, exemplify the great working relationship that the City has had with MoDOT. "From the start, MoDOT has tried to address our concerns, and seeing the project now, I believe that they really listened closely to what was said and heard our voices up here in North County."

When asked what he liked most about the project Lowery mentioned the extensive safety upgrades that include lane additions on both sides of I-270, consolidated entrance and exit ramps throughout the corridor, and removal of at-grade, cross over slip ramps that allow for vehicles to more safely enter and exit the highway.

In addition, he is also pleased that Pershall will now be continuous, pedestrians and bicyclists will now have safe access throughout the corridor with a new walking trail and multi-use path, and that existing bridges will be rebuilt and new ones constructed.

"MoDOT worked very hard to get this project right, and we greatly appreciate the commitment that they have shown from inception to this point in the project. And while there will be traffic delays and other traffic challenges for the short term, we will need to live with these issues. "We will just have to be patient and be thankful that MoDOT chose to invest this level of funding in north county's infrastructure, said Lowery. When people see the finished project, all of the upgrades and safety features, and the positive impact that all of it will make, I think they will agree that it was worth a little inconvenience."