U.S. Route 62
Village of Hamburg
Buffalo, N.Y.
Erie County
NYSDOT Region 5
PROJECT STATUS
- Letting Early 2007
- Complete Summer 2009
- Total Cost $20M
CSS Approach

• What makes this a CSS project as opposed to the traditional format?
  • Early involvement
  • Task force developed
  • Project objectives
  • Village project
  • Photosimulations
  • NYSDOT commitment
Transportation Needs
Objectives

- Safety
- Capacity
- Infrastructure
- Aesthetics/Context Sensitivity
Project Vision

- Project Vision including transportation, community and environmental elements

- “Coordinate the proposed highway improvements with the revitalization efforts being progressed by the Village of Hamburg in accordance with the Department’s Context Sensitive Solutions philosophy and Environmental Initiative. The intent is to incorporate the Village’s desire for change, improvement and a rebirth of the community into the Department’s basic mission for improving the transportation corridor. Where feasible, specific elements can be added to the project to construct features that enhance the Village.” (Project Objective, Sept. 2003 Final Design Report)
U.S. 62/Main Street
U.S. 62/Buffalo St.
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Main/Center Existing
U.S. 62/Main Street Exist
U.S. 62/Main Street Proposed
Main/Center Signal
Main/Center Roundabout
Main/Center
Stakeholder Involvement

• DOT met w/local residents/businesses
• Task Force formed
• Public Informational meeting
• Dan Burden, Walkable Communities, 5 day charrette
• Truck Survey
Stakeholder Involvement

- Roundabout simulation
- Public Hearing
- Selection of Alternative
- Continuous involvement with Task Force and Village Officials
Project Location
Main/Buffalo Existing
U.S. 62/Main Street
Main/Buffalo Signal
Main/Buffalo Roundabout
Main/Buffalo Park-like Area
Scenic Overlook
Main/Buffalo Roundabout
U.S. 62/Main Street
Compatiblity with Natural/Human Environment

- Environmental Needs
  - Develop Overlook as mitigation
- Major Issues
  - Regulatory Agencies
- Community Needs
  - Access to Creek
  - Village Transformation
Project Location
Buffalo/Prospect Exist
Buffalo/Prospect Signal
Buffalo/Prospect Roundabout
Why Roundabouts?

- Speed reduction
- Reduce conflict points
- Reduce accidents
- Elim. high angle conflicts
- Higher LOS/Air quality
- Elim. signal maintenance
- Tort liability
- Aesthetics
Legion/Clark Existing
Legion/Clark Signal
Legion/Clark Roundabout
Transportation Success

• How was the project successful in meeting transportation needs?
  • Safety w/ roundabouts
  • Pedestrian friendly
  • LOS improved
  • Air quality improved, Federal funding
  • Aesthetics
Accomplishments & Shortcomings

• BENEFITS:
  - Stakeholders feel part of process
  - Realize the complexities of transportation project
  - Fit Village’s vision
Accomplishments & Shortcomings

• SHORTCOMINGS:
  - Cost
  - ‘Snowball Effect’
  - Maintenance by locals
Proposed Village Artwork
Other

• Significant Atypical Project Specific Issues
  - Village Artwork
CSS in Construction

- Incentive/Disincentive
- Pedestrian access
- Phasing
- Utility schedules
- Web site, Chamber of Commerce
CSS Bottomline

• How were our actions/attitudes different?

• How was our decisionmaking different?

• How did our customers respond as partners? Was there buy-in from all?
The battle is not over!
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