



Over 300 residents and business representatives attended the 2017 City of St. Charles Road Show. Before exiting the event, attendees were encouraged to take a short survey and share their comments and questions. The Department of Engineering has posted responses to these comments and questions below.

- 1) We are a major business along West Clay between Zumbahl and Cave Springs. Making the outer roads one way will not promote business development. It will hurt existing small businesses which will no longer be "convenient" to reach.**

The City of St. Charles, St. Charles County and MoDOT are investigating opportunities to improve the I-70 corridor. The one-way outer road concept is one of the solutions being considered. The One-way outer roads would allow additional movements and connections outside of the Interstate. For instance today, there are 4 exits off I-70 in the City of St. Charles. The current I-70 one-way outer road concept would add 2 - 4 additional ramps on I-70.

- 2) I would like to see bike path improvements specifically connecting Fountain Lakes with Gum Lake**

This connection is in the current Long Range Plan along with enhancements to the interchange. Presently this project is scheduled for design in 2017 and construction in 2018.

- 3) I think the Long Range Plans should be presented every two years.**

The Department of Engineering updates the Long Range Plan every year and publishes the information online for residents and business owners.

- 4) If Hemsath Rd is to become an arterial, as I saw on plans last year, signals will be needed at Hemsath Rd and Arena Pkwy, by the condos.**

The City is evaluating the need for a signal with the Muegge 94 interchange

- 5) Add conduit to be prepared for fiber optic. Tear up the roadway once, not twice!**

The City of St. Charles includes and adds conduit for fiber on all roadway projects.

- 6) The City specifically needs to put more emphasis on pedestrian usage in the historic district. With more attention to make Main Street, Frontier Park, Frenchtown and the Foundry all interconnected, with open parks, European style Grand Plazas (closed to auto traffic), we will reap immeasurable benefits in tourism, local tax revenue, property values for residential and commercial. So far City-County interaction seems**



to be outstanding and key to managing St Charles County-wide boom while avoiding massive traffic congestion.

The City of St. Charles is investing in pedestrian infrastructure projects throughout the City. Pedestrian improvements were included on the West Clay project, Fifth Street project and Kingshighway project. In 2018, the City will construct a sidewalk in front of Ameristar which will connect the Streets of St. Charles to Historic Main Street.

7) Consider specific project completion schedules to minimize public inconvenience

All contracts are based on production rates to ensure the contractor has adequate time to complete the project, but not too much time. In fact, the City includes a liquidated damages clause to help ensure that the contractor completes a project within a given number of days.

8) Hwy 94 and Sherman/Old Hwy 94 intersection has become very dangerous!

This is a MoDOT route however, the City is working towards a project to improve Hwy 94 and Sherman which is included in the Long Range Plan.

9) The use of eminent domain has been routinely abused by the City of St. Charles, and needs to stop.

In the last 5 years real estate rights have been acquired from approximately 380 parcels for 40 different projects within the City of St Charles. Eminent domain was used for 21 parcels in 7 of those projects. Of these 21 parcels condemned 12 (on 4 projects) had clouded ownership issues where the owners did not have the authority to sign a deed or contract. Eminent domain was used on those 12 parcels even though the property owners were in agreement with the City's offer. Of the remaining 9 parcels, only one parcel was decided by a jury trial.

10) Why must the City use federal funds for road project when the dollars would be used elsewhere?

This is a common question and statement among residents. How Federal funds are distributed, is a decision by the Federal Government, not the City of St. Charles. The City completes Federal applications for road projects every year. These funds help offset overall expenses related to road projects and maximize our efforts as a Department to improve the City for area residents and businesses.