

NEWS RELEASE: November 12, 2009
Project No. 88-175 - American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)
Paving Program in the City of New Britain

The City of New Britain through the Central Connecticut Regional Planning Agency has proposed pavement preservation improvements on sections of Corbin Avenue, Ellis Street, Stanley Street and East Street. The project limits for each street are as follows:

Corbin Avenue	West Main Street (State Route 372) to Belmont Street
Ellis Street	Route 9 North Bound Off ramp to East Street
Stanley Street	South Street to Chestnut Street
East Street	South Street to Newington Avenue (State Route 174)

The project includes milling and paving of the sections of roadway listed above along with replacement of deteriorated curbing, sidewalk, sidewalk ramps, driveway aprons, conversion of obsolete catch basin frames and the removal of stumps and ailing trees. A minor shift of the existing curb line is also proposed at the southwest corner of the Stanley Street – Ellis Street intersection to improve the intersection’s corner radius. All improvements are eligible for funding under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

The Total Probable Construction Cost for the ARRA Paving Program in New Britain is \$3.4 M based on 2009 prices. This cost is based on weighted unit prices for similar types of construction projects with a 10% contingency and 15% incidentals. Utility relocation and right-of-way acquisitions are not anticipated with this project. Due to funding restrictions, the East Street portion of the project will be bid as an alternate. If bid prices are favorable, then East Street will be included in the project.

All roads and driveways will remain accessible to local traffic throughout the duration of the project. Driveway apron reconstruction will be coordinated with individual residents/businesses at the time of construction.

It is the City’s and the State’s policy to keep persons informed and involved when such projects are undertaken and it is important that the community share its concerns with us to assist in the project’s development. In order to keep residents informed of the City’s plans, we are sending out this notice to adjoining property owners and will publish a News Release in the New Britain Herald. Plans and specifications are available for viewing during normal business hours from 8:15 am to 3:45 pm in New Britain City Hall located at 27 West Main Street, New Britain, CT 06051. Anyone interested in obtaining additional information or providing input may also contact Robert Trottier at New Britain Public Works (860) 826-3355.

Sincerely,



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