

# **Public Involvement Meeting Notice**

## **Improvements to Dewey Street at the Eau Claire River to be discussed at April 18<sup>th</sup> Meeting**

Planned improvements for Dewey Street in the City of Eau Claire, Eau Claire County, will be discussed at a Public Involvement meeting on Thursday, April 18, 2019. The meeting will be from 5-7 PM at the computer lab on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the LE Phillips Memorial Library, 400 Eau Claire Street, Eau Claire, WI 54701.

The Dewey Street project involves improvements to the roadway and bridge at the crossing of the Eau Claire River between Eau Claire Street and Galloway Street. The proposed improvement will include bridge rehabilitation of a 216.44-foot long two-span concrete spandrel arch bridge along with 100-feet of adjacent roadway approach work.

The project consists of rehabilitating the existing structure with a new deck, sidewalks, concrete parapets, columns, and floor beams above the existing concrete spandrel arches. The concrete spandrel arches would be surface repaired and wrapped with Fiber Wrap to provide long term protection. (Fiber Wrap is a polymer carbon mesh that is applied to the concrete surface with epoxy. It helps protect and strengthen the concrete elements.) The exposed concrete would be stained white. The existing abutments and pier would remain in place. The north abutment wings will be reconstructed to accommodate a new trail underpass at the north bank of the Eau Claire River.

During construction of the project, the project site will remain closed to traffic. Construction is anticipated to take approximately 4 months during 2020. The earliest construction could begin is May 15<sup>th</sup> due to WDNR stream restrictions. All instream work must be completed between May 15<sup>th</sup> and March 15<sup>th</sup>. The exact timeframe will be determined by the contractor based on their availability. No additional right-of-way is anticipated to be needed for the proposed rehabilitation project.

A variety of exhibits and maps will be featured at the Public Involvement meeting, and representatives from the City of Eau Claire and Ayres Associates will be available to discuss the projects and answer questions. The public is encouraged to attend to examine the proposed improvements and discuss any concerns they might have.

Individuals who are unable to attend on April 18<sup>th</sup> can contribute comments about the bridge project by contacting the following individuals:

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