



CITY OF SOUTH BEND PETE BUTTIGIEG, MAYOR  
**COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

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Dear Fellows Street Corridor residents –

Over the last two years, the City of South Bend has been working to develop a plan to help improve safety and circulation in the area east of Michigan Street and north of Ireland Road. With the announcement in 2010 by the State of Indiana that it would be building a bridge over the St. Joseph Valley Parkway on an alignment with Fellows Street connecting Ireland Road to Jackson Road as part of the US 31 Improvement Project, the City focused its efforts on how to manage the additional traffic projected to use this new connector roadway.

In March of 2012, the City of South Bend made a public presentation of the Fellows Street Corridor Project to the residents of the City's South Side. The purpose of the new roadway would be to help manage the additional traffic projected to use Fellows Street and the side streets, add pedestrian amenities like pedestrian pathways, sidewalks and trails, and to facilitate storm water and drainage improvements along the entire corridor.

After much public input, various plan revisions, and reengineering of the concepts, two proposed roadway plans are being presented for input – Alignment A-1 and Alignment C-1. Maps for the project are attached with this packet.

**Alignment A-1**

- Improved 3 lane roadway segment on Fellows Street from Ireland Road to new intersection at Teri-Fellows-Chippewa and improved 2 lane roadway segment on Chippewa (with on-street parking on both sides of street) from Teri and Fellows intersection to Michigan
- On-street parking on Chippewa will be improved by moving curb line in 1 foot on each side and by marking parking lane and striping roadway as two lane only
- Drainage improvements including sewer separation, curb, 5 foot sidewalk on west side of Fellows and 8 foot walkway on east side of Fellows and street lighting available throughout project
- Dedicated turn lanes at Walter, Barbie and new Teri-Fellows-Chippewa intersection
- Installation of new storm drainage system in project allows for future storm water and sanitary sewer separation projects on Walter, Barbie, and other adjacent streets

### Alignment C-1

- Proposal is to cul-du-sac Fellows Street south of Walter and prevent through access from/to Ireland Road from neighborhood (NO ACCESS to Ireland Road from north of Walter Street)
- Traffic improvements at Ireland and Fellows to create additional turn lanes and stacking lanes
- Traffic improvements at Ireland and Michigan
- Southbound Traffic on Fellows from Fellows would be limited to right turn only and no left turn movement would be available
- No storm water or infrastructure improvements on Fellows Street north of Walter or on Chippewa except for modification of intersection of Teri-Fellows-Barbie-Chippewa (DIFFERENT INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT THAN ALIGNMENT A-1)
- Traffic restriction would modify traffic movements through neighborhood and with no outlet to Ireland Road, could cause additional traffic on Walter, Barbie and Chippewa

As part of the final review of the project, there are some questions that have been prepared in which the City would like your feedback. I have attached a copy of a survey that is available on-line at [www.surveymonkey.com/s/fellowsproject](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/fellowsproject).

Please feel free to fill out the survey on-line or use the following options to provide your feedback by **5:00 pm on October 10:**

1. Complete the hard copy of the survey and fax it in to us at 574-235-9021
2. Complete the hard copy and hand deliver to our office (227 W. Jefferson Blvd, County-City Building, Ste 1200, South Bend, IN 46601)
3. Call us at 574-235-9371 and we will take your responses down.

Results of this survey will be presented to the Redevelopment Commission at their regular meeting on October 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am (County-City Building, 13<sup>th</sup> floor Board Room). Commissioners will utilize survey information to make a determination on the direction for this project.

We appreciate your involvement with this public process and look forward to your feedback concerning the Fellows Street Corridor Project.

Sincerely,



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Attachments