



November 2023 RAISE Update

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- The project team worked with CamTran to develop a finalized scope of work and cost estimates for the transit center portion of the RAISE grant project, in order to submit to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for the final Section 106 (historic preservation) and NEPA (environmental) reviews.
- CamTran facilitated and held a steering committee meeting on November 20th to discuss the long term redesign of the transit center property. This project is separate from the RAISE portion of the transit center work, which will take place along Main Street, but nonetheless is an important part of the Main Street corridor and provision of transit connections both regionally and in the City of Johnstown.
- City staff worked with FTA to develop a final scope of work and cost estimates for the urban connectivity portion of the RAISE project, including federal and non-federal funds.
- FTA found a determination of No Historic Properties Affected for the inclined plane and urban connectivity portions of the RAISE projects. FTA provided Section 106 comments on the inclined plane and urban connectivity projects that are currently under review by the project team and consultants Michael Baker.
- City staff held a check in meeting with SCAPE ownership to discuss the overall direction of the Main Street/Central Park design and to provide feedback on several design related follow ups from the 30% design completion meeting in October. The follow ups related to the water feature in Central Park, project management and public engagement planning.
- Michael Baker began the process of responding to Section 106 review comments on the urban connectivity and inclined plane parts of the project, by providing updated environmental review forms and consulting party contact lists to FTA for review.
- City staff reviewed invoices from Michael Baker for the Section 106 and NEPA review work and forwarded equal share project invoices to project partners CamTran and JAHA. City staff reviewed invoicing from SCAPE and processed invoices for payment.
- City staff updated the RAISE project website to include fall project updates.

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