



Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street
Chicago, IL

Legislation Text

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PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION (TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS)

Department: Transportation and Highways

Project Type: Motor Fuel Tax Project Improvement Resolution

Request: Approval of appropriation of Motor Fuel Tax Funds

Project: The Department of Transportation and Highways respectfully submits for adoption a resolution appropriating funds for the improvement of 156th Street from Commercial Avenue to Halsted Street, and 157th Street from Commercial Avenue to Halsted Street in the City of Harvey. This improvement, as proposed, will consist of: (1) reconstructing 156th Street by removing and replacing the existing asphalt pavement with new Hot-Mix Asphalt (HMA) Pavement, removal of abandoned railroad tracks and railroad car scale; and (2) resurfacing 157th Street by removing the existing asphalt surface and replacing it with new HMA, repairing the existing concrete base, removing and replacing the existing curb and gutter, and replacement of the existing sewer. Work for both locations includes drainage adjustments, replacement of existing street lighting, ADA sidewalk ramps, traffic control and protection, pavement marking, landscaping, engineering and other necessary highway appurtenances.

Location: 156th Street, 157th Street from Commercial Avenue to Halsted Street in the City of Harvey

Section: 14-15632-01-FP

County Board District(s): 5

Centerline Mileage: 0.83

Fiscal Impact: \$3,000,000.00

Accounts: Motor Fuel Tax Fund: (600-585 Account)

Summary: This improvement is needed to protect the public investment in the highway system and provide safe, efficient and sustainable highways. LB Steel, LLC in the City of Harvey employs 225 union workers and has had to pay a premium for truck shipments from this facility as a result of the poor condition of local roads such that loaded trucks are at risk of tipping. LB Steel LCC expects to add 65 new employees over the next three years and has committed to staying in the City of Harvey if infrastructure improvements can be made to allow it to operate safely and efficiently.