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**City of Taunton Receives \$6.5 million for Broadway Corridor Improvements**

Taunton, MA... Today Mayor Shaunna O’Connell announced the City of Taunton received funding of \$6.5 million from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) for Broadway (Route 138) corridor improvements.

“Roads make a crucial contribution to economic development and growth of our city. This joint project will also improve intersection and corridor safety and help the City to upgrade this heavily traveled traffic corridor,” O’Connell said.

“I would also like to thank Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD) and the MassDOT District office whose participation was critical in making this project a reality,” O’Connell said.

Broadway Phase I starts within couple questions and construction should be completed in summer 2022. Only minor preparatory work will occur this fall with the major construction work commencing in the spring. Improvements on Broadway (from Leonard to Purchase Streets) include full depth pavement reconstruction, traffic signal reconstruction, intersection realignment at the Bay Street intersection, new bicycle lanes and buffered bicycle lanes, reconstruction of sidewalks on both sides of the road, and reconstruction of curb ramps for handicap access.

DPW Commissioner Fred Cornaglia explained “MassDOT will administer the construction work and will make every effort to minimize traffic disruptions and to keep Broadway open during construction with two way traffic maintained and access to abutting properties maintained to the maximum extent possible.”

Phase 2 of the Broadway project, with additional funding from MassDOT, will extend north on Broadway from Purchase Street to Jackson Street. Improvements will be similar to those that will occur under Phase 1. The construction is scheduled to start in the spring of 2024.

Please check the Department of Public Works website for updates on the project.

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