

Virginia Park Brick Road Project COO Community Meeting #1

Tue 8/13/2024 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

8431 Rosa Parks Blvd, Detroit, MI 48206

Agenda: Engaging the community on the brick road reconstruction of Virginia Park between M-10 and Woodward.

Notes & Questions:

1. Will the brick be placed on 3rd and 2nd?
No, just on current brick locations
2. What are Site Furnishings?
Fixtures, Trash Cans, Benches, Light Fixtures, etc.
3. Henry Ford was said to have driven through this road, and the substraight was holding really well, is it going to be replaced? It has lasted for 130 years. (Historic Block Club President: Steve)
This would have to be check with the Historic Commission. We will make sure the base is sturdy and strong.
4. Will each brick salvaged be placed on the same spot? How are the new bricks going to be included?
Bricks would be mixed new and old would be combined. We would try to salvage curbs and bricks as much as possible.
*****Detroit never preserves streets, one of the first ones.

Construction Phasing Questions:

****It was explained there will be construction and phasing, and traffic closing discussed next meeting. (a pre-construction meeting)

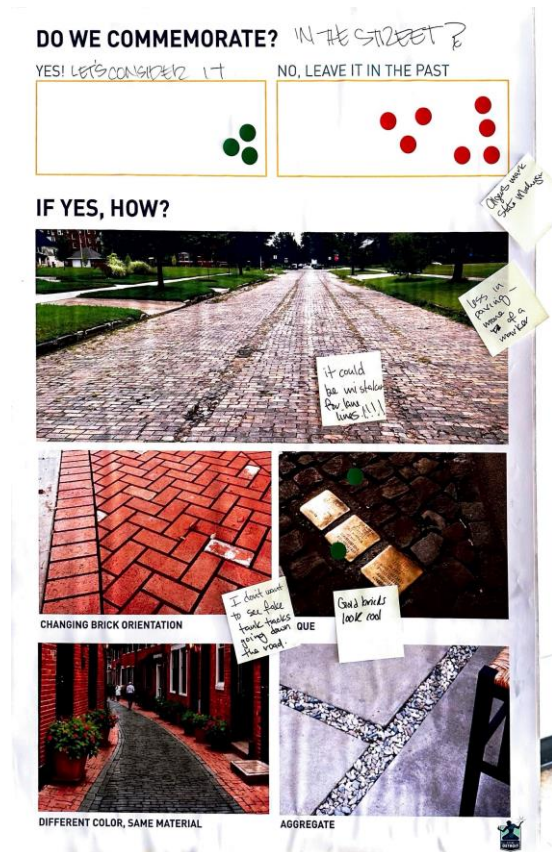
5. Currently there are alleyways that are not drivable, will there be any investment? How are we going to drive to our garages?
Short answer is no.
6. Would this be developing one block at a time?
Too early to say, but most likely.
7. How long would it be closed?
The Constuction process is set to start next construction period (Summer of 2025).
8. Can there be any consideration of City owned lots for parking?
Can be considered.
9. During the construction phase would the fire department, and police be able to drive through in the case of a emergency?

Design Questions:

10. Would the community like to commemorate the 1967 tank tracks?

- A neighbor (Cordulla), made a suggestion to make a installation on the 1967 museum, or Charles Museum.

***** Currently, there is a confusion of how the design to commemorate the 1967 tank tracks would look like, hinting many opposing to this idea.



- Tank roads can lead to road failure.

11. Would there be any traffic calming devices incorporated to the design? Currently there are speeders that are cutting through. Can there be any studies to show where are they going? Why are they cutting through?

12. Are there going to be a sign not permitting large trucks passing through? Currently large trucks are passing through, and since this is going to be a pricey project of over 5M\$ trying to preserve it should be a priority.

It is possible that the surrounding could have some traffic devices, maybe not directly on the brick.

Concerns:

13. The entire southside, on 2nd and Woodward only has one access to come in and out from, the other option is blocked through a gate owned by the condos, would this be open during the construction phasing?

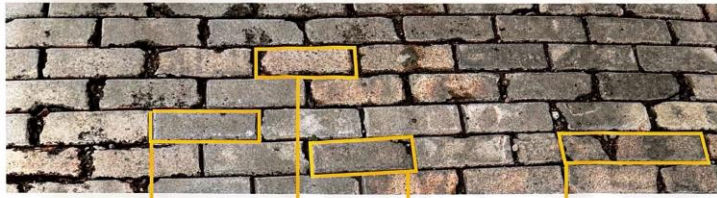
Bricks Usage:

14. There is currently a park, on the Virginia Park neighborhood. It would be nice to have some placement of bricks through the park, and more street lighting, and plants, or a sign.

15. Would there be an opportunity for residents to have some bricks?

16. Where else are the bricks going to?

THE PROCESS



RATING 9
Good condition,
minimal visible change

RATING 4
All corners are
cracked, do not use

RATING 6
Fair condition, only
missing one corner

RATING 2
Brick is broken, cannot
be used as a brick

NEED STREET
Repaves
curbsides
fire hydrant
and trees grow
tough

WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THE UNUSED BRICKS?

DONATED



Presidents
receive
bricks for
pavers
Garden

RECYCLED



VIRGINIA PARK, DETROIT

John C Lodge
park. Around
park on same side
of road

Spreading
plan
could plan
of spreading
pavers

DISCOVER SESSION NOTES ABOUT THIS PROCESS: