

MEMORANDUM OF MEETING

Project:	Route 139, Contract 2, Rehabilitation of 12 th and 14 th Street Viaducts, Jersey City
Date:	Wednesday, January 5, 2005
Place:	The Atrium, 9th Street, Jersey City
Subject/Purpose:	Briefing of Hamilton Park Neighborhood Association on the project
Attending:	NJDOT: Lawrence Vogel, Project Manager; Alireza Emami, Office of Project Management; Tom Johnson, Community Relations; Barbara Haynes, Community Relations Project Consultants: Ernest Hutchins, DMJM Harris; Rena Frankle, Reichman Frankle
Distribution:	Lawrence Vogel, Camille Sinclair, Tom Johnson, Ernest Hutchins
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The briefing was requested by the Hamilton Park Neighborhood Association, and took place as part of a regularly scheduled meeting. Sam Stoia, president of the association, introduced Larry Vogel, who described the project and spoke about the anticipated construction schedule. Ernie Hutchins outlined the construction staging, noting that during peak traffic hours at least 3 traffic lanes will be maintained in each direction during construction. Rena Frankle briefly described the community outreach program, and said that a web site during construction would provide up-to-date information.

Approximately 35 members of the association were present. Larry Vogel had invited the Jersey City Traffic Engineer, but he was unable to attend.

Comments from the association members included many comments about current and future traffic problems, and about communication during the project:

- A concern about traffic backing up during construction and detouring through the Hamilton Park neighborhood—a condition that now occurs when traffic is congested on the approaches to the Holland Tunnel
- A request for stop signs or other traffic calming measures
- A request for frequent updates/communications to their organization, since the Hamilton Park neighborhood is adjacent to the Contract 2 construction

Councilman Junior Maldonado, who attended the meeting, suggested that the Association set up a project liaison committee to interface with NJDOT.

Those who put their names on a sign-up sheet (25 names) will be placed on the project mailing list for future newsletters and meeting announcements.