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March 12, 2018

The Honorable Richard Dziekan
Mayor
City of Derby
1 Elizabeth Street
Derby, Connecticut 06418

Dear Mayor Dziekan:

Subject: State Bridge Program
State Project No. 36-198
Bridge No. 00578 in Derby
Bluff Street over Route 8

The Department of Transportation (Department) held a Public Information Meeting on December 14, 2016, in the Derby City Hall, Aldermanic Chambers to present a plan for the subject bridge project. The Public Information Meeting was scheduled to afford local residents and business owners the opportunity to view preliminary plans and voice any comments or concerns related to the proposed project. The purpose and need for the project is to address the bridge's structural deficiencies, which can be attributed to the deteriorated condition of the concrete deck. Based upon the structural deficiencies, the low average daily traffic, the limited vertical clearance over Route 8 and the relatively short bypass routes, the recommended alternative presented to the public was to remove the bridge and not replace it.

In light of the current Special Transportation Fund (STF) disposition and the structural priority of the Bluff Street Bridge, the Department Maintenance forces will repair the concrete deck to bring the bridge up to a state of good repair. Therefore the bridge removal project will be postponed indefinitely and may be revisited with the City of Derby should the bridge become deficient in the future.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact Mr. Rabih M. Barakat, Transportation Principal Engineer, at (860) 594-3208.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Theodore H. Nezames".

Theodore H. Nezames, P.E.
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Theodore H. Nezames, P.E.
Manager of Bridges
Bureau of Engineering and Construction

cc: Mr. Edward Armeno, Director of Public Works