ATTACHMENT B
# NIAGARA GORGE CORRIDOR

Robert Moses Parkway Removal Project - Main Street to Findlay Drive

March 16, 2016

Section 106 – Consulting Party Meeting  
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM  
Sign-In Sheet

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ATTACHMENT C
Welcome
Agenda

- Purpose of the Meeting
- Project Background
- Section 106 Process Overview
- Effects Determination
Meeting Purpose

- **Section 106 National Historic Preservation Act**
  - take into account the effects on historic properties
  - opportunity to comment on such undertakings

- **The goal of consultation**
  - to identify historic properties & resources, potentially affected
  - assess its effects
  - seek ways to avoid, minimize or mitigate any adverse effects
Partner Agencies

- NYS Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation (State Parks)
- USA Niagara Development Corporation (USA Niagara) Subsidiary of Empire State Development
- NYS Department of Transportation (DOT)
- City of Niagara Falls
- New York Power Authority
RMP Background/History

- Completed in 1961/62 - Part of NYS Parkway System – Limited Access Expressway for Automobiles (and some busses)
- RMP itself owned by State Parks
- Sits on Land owned by NYPA and State Parks
- Maintained under Agreement by DOT
- Sections of RMP are part of the National Highway System
2000 Pilot Project RMP
Near North Main Street Business District

- Whirlpool State Park
- DeVeaux Woods State Park
- Findlay Drive
- Customs House/Train Station Project
- Whirlpool Bridge
- North Main Street
- Multi-Purpose Trail
  - Robert Moses Parkway
  - Whirlpool Street
RMP Background/History

- 2006 Memorandum of Understanding (State Parks, NYSDOT, USAN/ESD, & City of Niagara Falls)
  Jointly solicit funding/plan for two segments:
  - Southern Segment – “Riverway” – Under Construction
  - Northern Segment – Niagara Gorge Corridor – Niagara Falls to Lewiston
    - Public Scoping (2013)
    - Preliminary Engineering/Env. Review for Phase I: Main Street to Findlay Drive (2014-16)
Public Scoping (2013)

- Developed six (6) possible alternatives for road access along Niagara Gorge from downtown Niagara Falls to Lewiston
- Retained three (3) alternatives as feasible:
  - Alternative 3: Partial Re-Use of the Robert Moses Parkway
  - Alternative 4: Meandering Partial Park Road
  - Alternative 6: Full Removal of the RMP
- All retained alternatives had similar approach from Main Street to Findlay Drive
Public Scoping (2013) - Phase I Project

- **Must have logical termini:**
  - Rational end points for a transportation improvement
  - Rational end points for a review of the environmental impacts.
- **Must have independent utility or independent significance**
- **Cannot restrict alternatives for future phases**
Why Do it?

Project Goals

- Improve Access and Transportation (Pedestrian, Bicycle, Vehicular)
- Promote and Conserve the Ecology and Environment of the Corridor (Help restore Niagara Gorge rim)
- Support Local Economic Vitality (Falls, Niagara Gorge, & City as one “Place”)
- Minimize Impacts to Adjacent Neighborhoods (Connect neighborhoods to Gorge/River)
- Support Niagara River Greenway Plan
Overall Features of the Project

- Demolition/removal of Parkway from Main Street to Findlay Drive
- Reconstruction of Whirlpool Street (with bicycle and pedestrian enhancements)
- New curbside overlooks, stairs and ramps to/from open space/parkland on the former RMP alignment
- New multimodal trail system tying into City
- Restoration on reclaimed pavement areas
Schedule
Build Alternative
QUESTIONS
SECTION 106 PROCESS OVERVIEW

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