

MEMORANDUM

November 14, 2013

TO: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

FROM: Eric S. Stuckey, City Administrator *E.S.*
David Parker, P.E., City Engineer
Paul P. Holzen, P.E., Director of Engineering

SUBJECT: Consideration to install a new historical marker sign along Mack Hatcher and not fund the construction of a way-finding sign and kiosk as part of the Mack Hatcher NE Widening Project.

Purpose

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide the Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BOMA) with information to consider taking on elements of the Mack Hatcher signage (historical marker and way-finding) that the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) is removing from the Mack Hatcher widening project currently underway.

Background

The Transportation Commissioner for the State of Tennessee has determined that TDOT will not construct a way-finding sign and kiosk about Roper's Knob. The City is bringing this forward to the BOMA to consider reimbursement to TDOT for the construction of the way-finding sign and kiosk.

The City of Franklin has held conversations with the State's construction engineering and inspection (CEI) consultant and the TDOT Project Manager to determine if the City would be willing to pay for the installation of the way-finding sign and kiosk. Due to the contractual obligations of TDOT, the materials for this way-finding sign and kiosk structure have been paid for by TDOT. The cost of the structure and the installation is over \$75,000. TDOT is contractually responsible for \$14,000 for the materials leaving the installation at \$61,000. The way-finding sign and kiosk is to be located at location 1 as shown on Exhibit A.

In addition to the way-finding sign and kiosk, the project had to move and temporarily store the existing "Roper's Knob" historical marker. The intent is to relocate the historical marker to location 2 as shown on Exhibit A. Prior to starting construction TDOT documented that the historical marker was damaged. The estimate for a new historical marker is \$3,000.

Financial Impact

The installation of the way-finding sign and kiosk has a significant impact on the City's Capital Budget. Below are three options for consideration.

- Option 1 Install the sign and kiosk at location 1 as shown on Exhibit A. Location 1 has two distinct problems. First is that location 1 misrepresents where Roper's Knob is actually located. Of the two hilltops, Roper's Knob is the southeast hilltop and will not be visible.



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The second problem is that to place the sign there requires the construction of a retaining wall that drives the cost of the installation to \$61,000.

- Option 2 Install the **fractured** historical marker sign at location 2 and **do not fund** the installation of the sign and kiosk. Location 2 is at the arbor structure and the intersection of the spencer creek greenway and Mack Hatcher multi-use path. This option has no cost to the City of Franklin.
- Option 3 Install a **new** historical marker sign at location 2 and **do not fund** the installation of the sign and kiosk. Location 2 is at the arbor structure and the intersection of the Spencer Creek greenway and Mack Hatcher multi-use path. The estimated cost of a new historical marker is \$3,000.

Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of Option 3 to install a new historical marker sign at location 2 as shown on Exhibit A and not fund the installation of the sign and kiosk. The estimated cost of the new historical marker is \$3,000.

Exhibit A

Roper's Knob Wayfinding

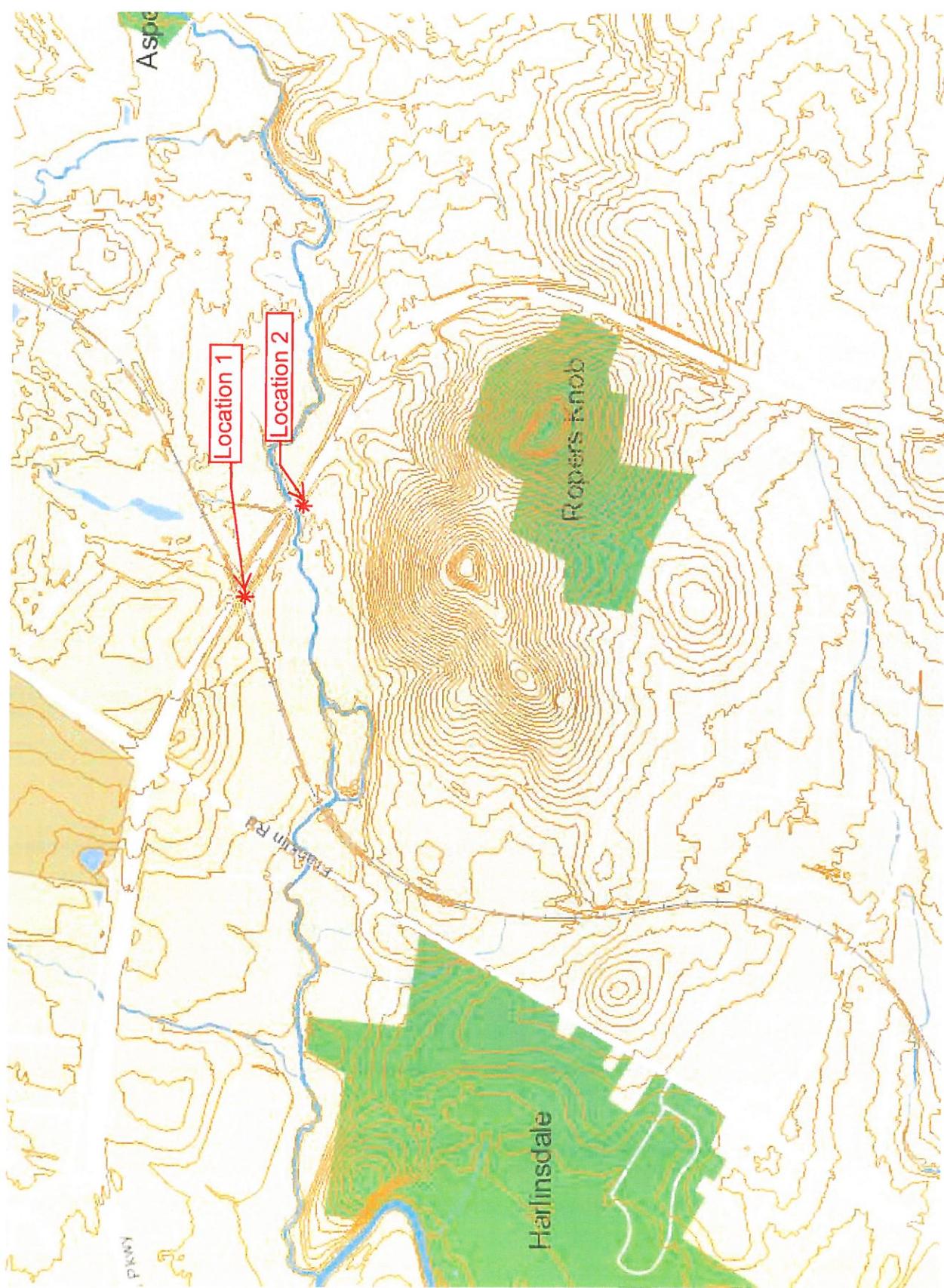


Exhibit B

TYPE	YEAR	PROJECT NO.	SHEET NO.
R.O.W.	2009	STP-397(7)	65A
CONSTR.	2011	STP-397(7)	65A

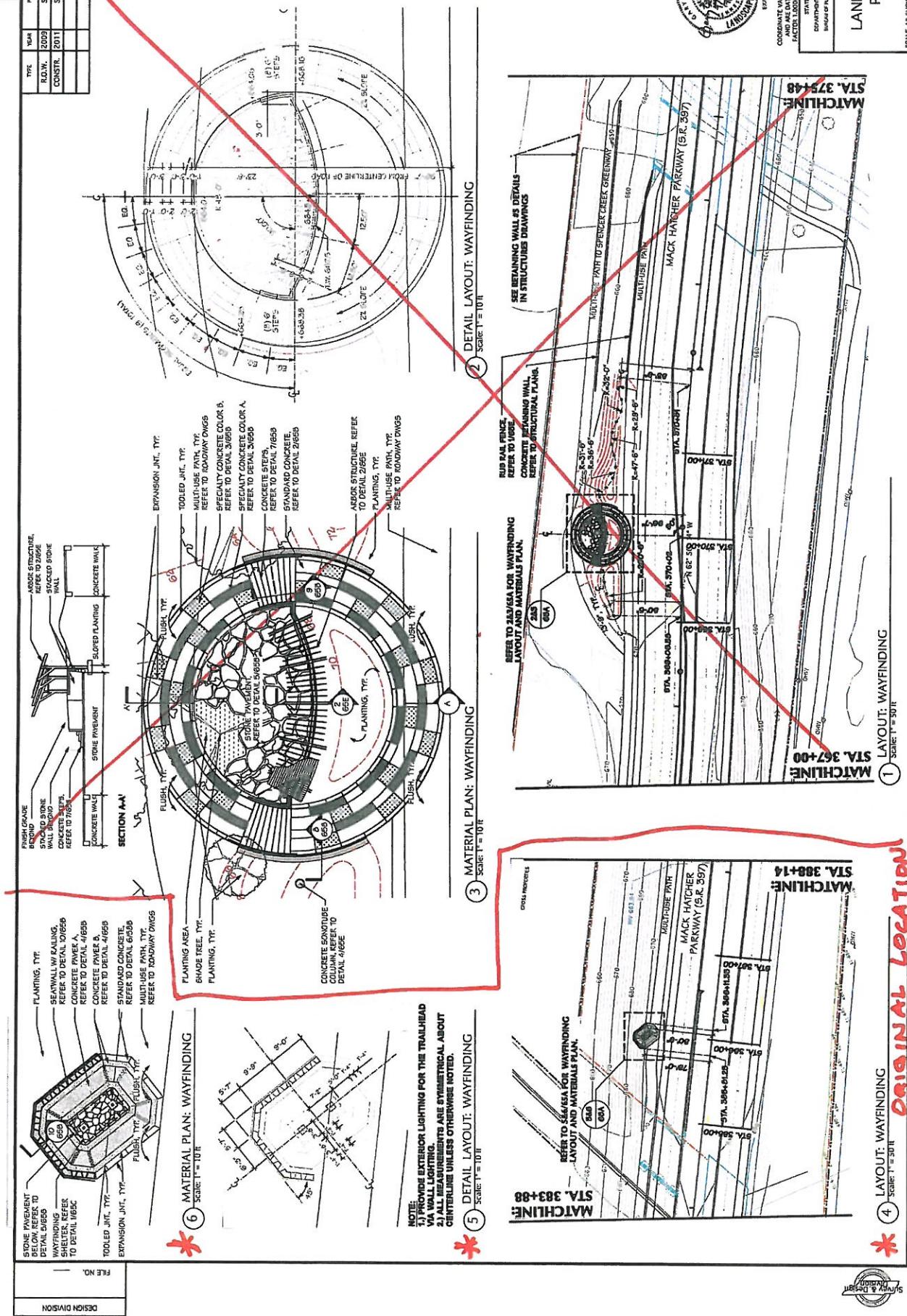


Exhibit C

TYPE	YEAR	PROJECT NO.	SHEET NO.
R.O.W.	2009	STP-397(7)	65C
CONSTR.	2011	STP-397(7)	65C

NOTES:

1. REFER TO SPECIAL PROVISION SP-00120 FOR MORE INFORMATION ON METAL FABRICATION.
2. FABRICATOR TO PROVIDE SHOP DRAWINGS FOR APPROVAL.

SECTION: A-A' SIGN FRAME AT POST

**8 SECTION: D-D' SIGN FRAME AT 3X8" FRAME
Scaln: 3⁰ - 11-10"**

The diagram illustrates a 6'x6' post set. It features a rectangular steel frame with dimensions of 6'0" by 6'0". The top flange of the frame is labeled "3/8 TOP STEEL FRAMING". The vertical posts are labeled "1/2" x 6'0" POST ASSEMBLY". A central horizontal beam is labeled "1/2" x 6'0" CENTERED BETWEEN POSTS AND 15 INCHES FROM FRAME REFER TO ELECTRICAL". A bracket indicates a "4'-0" POST BEYOND GRAPHIC REIN THINL". A vertical dimension line shows a height of "1'-0" from the bottom of the frame to the top of the posts. A note at the bottom right says "WELDED TO GUNNIS STEEL TUBE - LETTERING".

7 SECTION: C-C' SIGN FRAME AT 3X8" FRAME

The technical drawing illustrates a door frame assembly. A vertical panel is centered within the frame. The overall width of the frame is 34 1/2 inches. The vertical panel is 31 1/2 inches wide and 84 inches high. The distance from the top of the frame to the top of the panel is 1 1/2 inches. The distance from the left edge of the frame to the left edge of the panel is 1 1/2 inches. The distance from the right edge of the frame to the right edge of the panel is 1 1/2 inches. The bottom of the panel is 3 1/2 inches above the bottom of the frame. A note at the top right indicates that the panel is to be applied horizontally by glue.

NOTE: GRAPHIC PANEL TO BE PROVIDED DIGITALLY BY LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT
FLOOR 10 FABRICATION

807 x 02 GRAPHIC PANEL

EE-EE-EE-EE-EE-EE-EE-EE

Scale: 3/4" = 1'-0"

SECTION: TRAILHEAD SIGNAGE SHELTER

NOTES:

- 1. ALL METAL SURFACES TO BE POWDER COATED; COLOR: BLACK
- 2. REFER TO SHEET 65C FOR BRIGHT FRAMING SECTIONS AND
- 3. REFER TO SPANNED METAL FABRICATION AND SPOTTED METAL ROOF FOR MORE INFORMATION.

ROOF FRAMING PLAN
SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"

ROOF FRAMING PLAN

BRACE: 1/4" = 14°

ROOFING NOTES:
SYSTEM PROVIDED BY CHAMPION
SYSTEM OF WASHINGTON
TYPICAL ROOFING SYSTEMS ARE:
1. 14-Gauge METAL ROOF, ROOFING
2. 14-Gauge METAL PURLINS, COLOR OR EQUAL
3. 14-Gauge METAL SATELLITE TRusses
4. 14-Gauge METAL RIBBED, RIB OR EQUAL
5. 14-Gauge METAL EAVES, GUTTER &
 DOWNSPOUT SYSTEM
www.championsystems.com
425-254-7070
INFORMATION.

METAL RIDGE CAP
HIGH METAL PCP, REFER TO
NOTES

2'-5G TUBE STEEL FRAMING, BEYOND
REF. TO DOCUMENTATION OR EQUAL.
2ND TUBE RIDGE DECK W/ ENGLE
COVER PLATES

2'-5G TUBE STEEL RAFTERS

1/4" FLAT STEEL BARS, BEYOND

30G TUBE STEEL FRAMING

6'-5G TUBE STEEL POSTS

SIGN FRAME, BEYOND

3X6" TUBE STEEL FRAMING

STONE BASE, REFER TO DETAIL
465C, TYP.

1 ELEVATION: TRAILHEAD SIGNAGE SHELTER

3 ELEVATION: FRAME BOLT LAYOUT

<p>COORDINATE VALUES ARE HAD @ 31/12/95 AND ARE DATA ADJUSTED BY THE FACTOR 1.000000 TIED TO THE TIGAN.</p> <p>STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BUREAU OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT</p>	<h1>LANDSCAPE PLAN</h1>
SCALE: AS SHOWN	



FILE NO.

Exhibit D

ROPER'S KNOB



The large hill immediately to the south, which rises more than 900 feet above sea level, played an important role in the Civil War. Used as a signal station by Union troops, Roper's Knob was a key communications link between Franklin and Murfreesboro. After Middle Tennessee was occupied by Federal troops in early 1862, the hill was crowned with entrenchments and an octagonal log blockhouse. A sophisticated pulley system helped lift artillery to the summit. The knob, along with nearby Fort Granger, helped guard the Tennessee & Alabama Railroad. Roper's Knob was not occupied at the time of the Battle of Franklin, November 30, 1864.

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Exhibit E

Not
Franklin,
COUNTY HISTORICAL SO-

Fracture

