


City of Montpelier
Department of Public Works
Memorandum

Law

To: William J. Fraser, City Manager
From: Todd C. Law, P.E., Director 
Date: July 8, 2010
Subject: Retaining Wall and Rialto Bridge maintenance funding

As we previously discussed, we have re-assessed the situation with the funds available for retaining walls and slope stability issues following the bid for the North Street retaining wall. Please see the attached spreadsheet depicting the cost estimated for each proposed project and the funding available.

From this spreadsheet, we are proposing to place Hill Street on hold again with the North Street retaining wall, and the Ridge Street and UES/ Hubbard Street slope stability problems becoming the priorities due to the immediate potential for failure. We have utilized the Ridge Street slope stability funding in the CIP for FY11, the \$56,346 from the retaining wall bond and the transfer of operating budget residuals from FY 10 to cover the funds necessary to do the above 3 projects.

Also of concern and in need of funding is the Rialto Bridge. There has been a deterioration of the back wall of the bridge. We have consulted the contractor who has done a significant amount of maintenance and repairs of this bridge and have established a repair where the back wall will be replaced with a steel plate. This work is required immediately as there is a current failure of the bridge due to the deteriorated back wall. The estimate for this repair is \$22,000 to \$28,000 and will be funded by \$15,000 in the bridge maintenance operating budget and \$15,000 in the cracksealing operating budget.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please let me know.