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During Phase I, a one-block section of George Street, between New and Liberty streets, will be rebuilt including new sidewalks, curbs, landscaping and benches, street lighting, and a bus stop. The project will remove the brick street pavers used in this area, rebuild the underlying road base and install new asphalt pavement. Existing asphalt will be milled and a new two-inch layer of pavement placed down.

“With completion of the Route 18 expansion project, our attention is now focused on George Street, a major corridor through our City that carried much of the burden of heavy traffic as Rt 18 was expanded. This project will improve the appearance and function of this street, making for a better experience for pedestrians and motorists,” said Mayor Jim Cahill.

The entire project will rebuild George Street from Albany Street to Morris Street. The reconstruction has already started through private investments and Urban Enterprise Zone funding. The New Brunswick Development Corporation rebuilt portions of the sidewalks and lighting along George Street as components of its Rockoff Hall and Heldrich Plaza projects. Pennrose Properties will rebuild another section when it constructs its New Brunswick Arts Building at the corner of George and New Street. The City’s UEZ fund covered the sidewalks reconstruction, new lighting, landscaping and furniture in the area of Monument Square that was completely reconstructed in 2006.

The reconstruction of George Street is being carried out in phases in response to concerns from local merchants, Rutgers University and residents. The City anticipates the completion of the entire project by August 2010. Phase I will cost \$215,000 funded by the City UEZ fund. City Council approved a contract for the lowest bidder A. Montone Construction Inc. Aberdeen, NJ for \$157,272 on June 17, 2009.

Contact the New Brunswick Department of Engineering at 732-745-5056 for more information.

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