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BROOKS: ELMWOOD AVE OPEN FOR TWO-WAY TRAFFIC

Monroe County Executive Maggie Brooks today announced the re-opening of Elmwood Avenue in Brighton after a year-long construction project. The County Executive was joined by state and local officials for a ribbon cutting ceremony.

"Thanks to the participation and feedback of the community, this project benefited area residents and drivers alike," Brooks said. "I applaud our County DOT for effectively addressing the concerns of residents along the construction route."

Before this road project began, the County held a number of public advisory meetings to make area residents aware of the construction plans, give them an estimated time frame for the project and to address any questions or concerns they had.

"One of the primary concerns residents had was speeding along this stretch of Elmwood and I am proud that, for the first time in Monroe County, we have installed driver feedback speed devices that show drivers how fast they are traveling," Brooks continued. "These devices will help us address the prominent speeding issues here on Elmwood Avenue by monitoring speed and educating motorists as to what speed they are driving on a regular basis."

The stretch of Elmwood Ave. from Hollywood to Clover has been closed or only open to one-way operation since the project began last September. The work on Elmwood included, full depth reconstruction of the road with some minor widening of the roadway, new storm sewers and related drainage improvements, sanitary sewer repairs, sidewalk improvements, signs and pavement markings. The granite curbing in the twelve-corners area was also reset and replaced as needed.

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The construction phase of the project, which took about a year to complete and cost just under \$4 million, was 80% federally funded, 15% state funded and 5% county funded.

In addition to the driver feedback speed devices, a number of other changes were made based on resident feedback. They include: eliminating proposed sidewalks in some areas, and narrowing sidewalks and shoulder width in others in order to avoid impacts to existing landscaping along the side of the road. Working with the Town of Brighton, DOT installed residential-style street lighting along portions of Elmwood Avenue.

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