PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Peoria and Illinois Department of Transportation are proposing the demolition and replacement of the bridge that carries N MacArthur Highway over W Romeo B Garrett Ave, located one mile west of Downtown Peoria. The bridge was determined eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). Whereas this project is funded in part by the Federal Highway Administration and pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 144(g), any state which proposes to demolish a NRHP eligible listed bridge and asking for federal participation in funding the project shall first make the bridge available for donation to the state, local or responsible entity.

Therefore, the City of Peoria is offering the N MacArthur Highway bridge over W Romeo B Garrett Ave to any qualifying state, local or responsible entity, as soon as they agree to enter into an agreement to the following conditions:

1. Maintain the bridge and the features that give it its historic significance, and
2. Assume all future legal financial responsibility for the bridge, which may include an agreement to hold the City of Peoria harmless in any liability action.

The City may cover some cost associated with moving this bridge, not to exceed the cost of demolition of this bridge. All remaining cost shall be the responsibility of the entity requesting to move the structure.

Interested parties should send a letter, along with funding means, location of bridge placement, means of moving structure and timetable for move. It should be noted that the bridge will be required to be moved one hundred and sixty (160) days prior to the opening of the new bridge, anticipated opening in early 4th quarter of 2018.

Letters of Interest should be sent to:

    City Engineer Scott Reeise, P.E.
    City of Peoria
    Public Works Department
    3505 N Dries Ln
    Peoria, IL 61604

Or contact Stephen Letsky, PE, Project Manager, at 309-494-8800. Normal business hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Comments must be received by Wednesday, October 26th, 2016 to be considered for transferal of bridge responsibility.