

**SECTION VI:  
VIEWS PROVIDED BY CONSULTING PARTIES  
AND THE PUBLIC**

The Market Street Renovation Project and its subsequent phases have been addressed by various agencies since the project's initiation in 1999. The DelDOT, FHWA, COW, SHPO, and consultants Pennoni Associates, Hurley-Franks & Associates, and Parsons have been involved in the planning and coordination of the Market Street improvements.

An introduction of the overall Market Street Project was presented on March 28, 2000 to numerous officials, including the Delaware SHPO. Several phases of Market Street and the proposed streetscape improvements that are subject to Section 106 coordination were identified. In addition, a meeting for the Market Street Renovation Project was held on February 13, 2003 to further discuss the project and focus on technical and plan reviews. The project background, historic resources within the APE, and a more formal introduction of the project undertaking as it relates to project plans and anticipated findings of effect were reviewed. No immediate concerns were expressed at that time.

A number of downtown private and non-profit groups have been involved in the design development for the downtown Market Street Renovation efforts. The Wilmington Renaissance Corporation hosted two transportation forums, the Wilmington Transportation Summit-May 29, 2002 and Transportation: Opening Lanes of Communication-December 11, 2002, which included presentations and discussion on the Market Street Renovation Project. Both forums were held at the Delaware Technical Community College-Wilmington Campus. A Project Workshop was conducted by the City of Wilmington, DelDOT, and Pennoni on January 8, 2003 at the Grand Opera House for the Members of the Downtown Business Association. In addition, a presentation was made to the Korean Merchants Association by the City of Wilmington and Pennoni on March 21, 2003.

A Public Workshop was held by the City of Wilmington, DelDOT and WILMAPCO on April 28, 2004 at the City of Wilmington. During the course of the public workshop, the project consultant advised meeting attendees that the Market Street Phase III Project resided within the Market Street Historic District. There were no concerns or views expressed from the public concerning the potential impact to the Market Street Historic District. No immediate historic preservation concerns or issues on the extent of the project undertaking were expressed or documented.

The above referenced meetings and public outreach programs were to address the project as a whole (multiple phases of work). A March 30, 2004 meeting between DelDOT, the City of Wilmington, DE SHPO, Pennoni and Associates, and Parsons addressed concerns regarding potential impacts to the subterranean vaults within the purview of Phase III.

The City of Wilmington, DelDOT, and WILMAPCO held an additional public workshop on October 19, 2004 at the City of Wilmington. This workshop involved review of the construction plans and sequence of the proposed work associated with Phase III. In addition, "breakout"

group discussions with the property owners for each block of Market Street was executed to discuss the scope of the vault work. A list of participants is located in Appendix C.