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Orange Holds Tour of Federal Earmark Requests Friday, March 20, 2009

The City of Orange Township recently submitted federal earmark applications for various projects for FY 2010. On Friday, the City held a tour, led by Mayor Eldridge Hawkins, Jr., of the projects to provide detailed first hand information to Congressman Donald Payne and representatives of Senators Frank Lautenberg and Robert Menendez.

At each stop, participants received a briefing by a department director regarding the need for the funding and other specifics regarding the project. Tour guests included Congressman Payne and staff; representatives of Senators Lautenberg and Menendez and of Assemblyman John McKeon; Assemblywoman Mila Jasey, and Lisa Perkins- Orange City Council President

Statement by Mayor Eldridge Hawkins, Jr.:

“It is not enough to simply submit an application on paper and forget about it. We increase our chance of receiving funding by enabling our Congressman and Senators to see with their own eyes that an important need exists. Amidst the severe economic crisis, Orange will continue to aggressively seek every available dollar of federal earmarks and stimulus package funds.”

Statement by Congressman Donald Payne:

“As we continue our work in Congress, I will do everything I can to secure federal funding to help meet the needs of my constituents in Orange. In addition to requesting funds through the regular appropriations process, I will be working with local officials to ensure that Orange successfully competes for crucial funding in the economic stimulus package for COPS grants, assistance to firefighters, public works projects and other community improvement programs.”

SUBMITTED PROJECTS

- Public Works- City of Orange Water Treatment Facility
- Police- Public Safety Information Technology Restoration
- Fire- New Fire Engine Pumper
- Planning- City-wide Camera Surveillance System
- YWCA Restoration Project-

Photos Attached