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City seeks community feedback on Port Republic Road projects

HARRISONBURG, Va. – The City of Harrisonburg has been awarded funding and is designing improvements to reduce traffic congestion and improve traveler safety by reducing potential crash conflicts along the Port Republic Road corridor.

Harrisonburg Public Works will host an open house Thursday, Nov. 14, from 4 to 6 p.m. in Harrisonburg City Hall City Council Chambers, 409 S. Main St., where community members will learn about the project and have an opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback on proposed improvement designs.

The project includes improvements on two different sections of Port Republic Road:

- The project installs a signal at Bradley Drive, with associated left turn lanes on Port Republic Road, and adds crosswalks and pedestrian signals at this intersection. The project includes a concrete median between Devon Lane and Hunters Road. The project rebuilds the existing westbound bike lane as a separated bike lane and rebuilds sidewalks, where impacted by this project.
- The project extends the eastbound left-turn lane on Port Republic Road at Bluestone Drive to provide more space for vehicles queuing at the intersection. The project constructs a sidewalk on the south side of Port Republic Road between Hillside and Crawford Avenues and a median on this segment.



(Above) Port Republic Road in Harrisonburg. A meeting will be held next week for community members to learn about planned changes to improve safety and reduce congestion in the area.

“We have funding secured to make these sections of Port Republic safer for our community members and visitors to travel,” Harrisonburg Public Works Director Tom Hartman said. “With the review of crash data and through careful evaluation, we understand there are opportunities to reduce crash conflicts along this corridor by implementing specific improvements, improvements that we look forward to sharing with the community at this open house.”

Attendees of the open house will have the opportunity to:

- View educational displays about the improvement designs
- Speak directly with City staff about the project
- Express thoughts and questions through a public questionnaire that will be available during and after the event

Information about the proposed project is available on the following City webpages:

- www.harrisonburgva.gov/port-rep-road-bradley-dr
- www.harrisonburgva.gov/port-rd-bluestone-dr

The project questionnaire will be available digitally until Dec. 12. Written or oral questions and comments may be submitted to Brittany Clem-Hott by emailing brittany.clem-hott@harrisonburgva.gov or calling 540-434-5928, before or after the open house.

*The **City of Harrisonburg** is centrally located in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. It is home to approximately 55,990 people. More information about the City of Harrisonburg is available online at www.HarrisonburgVA.gov.*

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