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Willingness to hold a Public Meeting – Canal Walk Improvements Project - Phase II *~ Requests for a public hearing must be received prior to June 16, 2023 ~*

RICHMOND, Va. – The Department of Public Works (DPW) has completed 30 percent design plans for the Canal Walk Improvements Project – Phase II. The project will provide improvements to the pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure along the Canal Walk in Shockoe Bottom. The proposed improvements will provide better accommodations for bicycles from the Virginia Capital Trail to Brown’s Island, and the Tyler Potterfield Bridge.

The new infrastructure will provide connectivity via the existing bridge over the Canal with modifications to improve the conditions for bicycle access, including eliminating the need for bicyclists to use the switchback, through the extension of the ramp to provide a continuous straight decent from bridge deck to Canal Walk. This will be accomplished by further eliminating the steps, retaining wall, and landscaping at the foot of the first ramp run. These modifications will provide a straight ramp to the Canal Walk.

To review project information, go to www.rva.gov/public-works/construction-projects-road-improvements and go to the tab at the bottom of the page or call Mr. Adel Edward at 804-646-6584, to make an appointment to review the documents. Please call ahead to ensure the availability of appropriate personnel to answer questions.

If your concerns cannot be satisfied through review of the materials online or an in-person meeting, the City of Richmond is willing to hold a public hearing. You may request that a public hearing be held by sending a written request to Mr. Adel Edward at adel.edward@rva.gov Please reference “*Canal Walk Improvements Project – Phase II*” in the subject heading. Comments can also be mailed to Adel Edward, City of Richmond Department of Public Works, 900 E. Broad Street, 6th Floor, Richmond, VA 23219. Requests for a public hearing must be received prior to **June 16, 2023**. If it is deemed necessary to hold a public hearing, notice of date, time and place of the hearing will be posted.

The City of Richmond ensures nondiscrimination in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. If you need more information or special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, call Adel Edward at 804-646-6584.

For more information, please visit us online at www.rva.gov/public-works or email us at askpublicworks@rva.gov

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The City of Richmond Department of Public Works (DPW) is one of only 195 currently accredited public works agencies in the United States. DPW’s portfolio comprises a wide array of services to include leaf collection; street, sidewalk and alley maintenance; trash collection; recycling; grass cutting; graffiti removal; parking enforcement; urban forestry; street signs; traffic signals and pavement markings and civil engineering. In addition, DPW maintains upkeep on most city buildings; issues permits for working in the city’s right-of-way; manages the RVA Bike Share program and maintains the fleet of city vehicles. DPW’s operating budget comes from the general fund of the City of Richmond. For more information about DPW services, [click here](#) or call 3-1-1.