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Safety Improvements Around the Oak Grove Elementary School Area that Include Webber Avenue, Columbia Street, Lynhaven Avenue, and Royall Avenue

~ Vision Zero Initiative to Enhance Safety for Motorists, Pedestrians and Bicyclists ~

RICHMOND, Va. – In an initiative to improve pedestrian safety around the Oak Grove Elementary School area, the Department of Public Works (DPW) is installing a sidewalk, wheelchair ramps, crosswalk markings, curb bump outs, and speed tables.

This project provides for the installation of two speed tables on Royall Avenue between Krouse Street and Ridgemont Road in order to better manage speeds. New wheel chair ramps and crosswalk markings will be constructed at the intersections of Columbia Street and Webber Avenue, Webber Avenue and Lynhaven Avenue, and Lynhaven Avenue and Royall Avenue. Curb extensions will also be installed at each of the three intersections to improve pedestrian visibility and improve safety by narrowing the crossing distance. A new sidewalk will be constructed on Lynhaven Avenue between Webber Avenue and Royall Avenue.

The City secured funding for this safety initiative through partnerships with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), and a federal grant from the Highway Safety Improvement Program. Through our partners with FHWA and VDOT, the City is delivering the largest jurisdiction based pedestrian safety investment of \$8.72 million in the Commonwealth of Virginia from 2018-2022.

This project started November 14, 2022, and it is expected to be completed by March 2023.

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