



Media Advisory

Department of Public Works *Providing a clean, safe and healthy environment*

Richmond, Virginia

The Honorable Mayor Levar M. Stoney

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Willingness to Hold a Public Meeting US-60 Downtown Expressway Gateway Pedestrian Improvements Project

RICHMOND, Va. – The City of Richmond has completed the 30 percent design for the US-60 Downtown Expressway Gateway Pedestrian Improvements Project. The project will provide improvements to the pedestrian infrastructure around Kanawha Plaza (South 9th Street, East Canal Street, South 7th Street, and East Byrd Street) in the vicinity of the downtown expressway. The proposed improvements will provide safer pedestrian access to the Plaza.

Elements of the project include: increased pedestrian accessibility, adding and widening sidewalk, reconstruction of intersection geometry, enhanced pedestrian crossings by reducing the length of the crossing and clearly marked crosswalks, installation of pedestrian signals, planting street trees, and installation of a new traffic signal at South 7th and East Byrd Streets.

To review the project information, visit the project webpage: rva.gov/public-works/construction-projects-road-improvements or call 804-646-2467 to make an appointment to visit the Department of Public Works. Please call ahead to ensure the availability of appropriate personnel to answer your questions.

Comments can be mailed to: Ms. Yongping Wang, Richmond Department of Public Works, 900 East Broad Street, 6th Floor, Richmond, VA 23219 or by email to Yongping.Wang@richmondgov.com

If your concerns cannot be resolved, the City of Richmond is willing to hold a public hearing. Send your request with the subject, "US-60 Downtown Expressway Gateway Improvements" to the address listed above. Requests for a public hearing must be received by **July 19, 2021**. If it is deemed necessary to hold a public hearing, the notice of the date, time and place of the hearing will be posted.

The City of Richmond will arrange for reasonable accommodations for non-English speaking persons or those persons with visual, hearing, or mobility impairments when notified by July 19, 2021.

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

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The City of Richmond Department of Public Works (DPW) is one of only 178 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.