

Light Rail & Private Utility Construction Update

July 6 – July 12, 2009



Updates & Look Ahead

This is an update on light rail construction and private utility relocations. HRT manages the light rail construction only (Skanska) and City of Norfolk coordinates and manages all private utility relocations.

This schedule may change without notice to accommodate utility relocations, which must be completed before light rail construction can begin.

West York Street (Skanska)

- Due to conflicts with utilities, curb and gutter installation will be further delayed until later this week/early next week
- Sidewalk installation will follow
- 400 block should be completed by August 1st

Brambleton Avenue: Yarmouth Street to Brambleton Bridge (Skanska)

- Work can start at any time
- Closure of north, westbound lane of Brambleton Avenue, from Yarmouth Street to the Brambleton Bridge, to adjust and replace sidewalk, curb and gutters
 - Work completed in two phases to maintain access to Hague Medical Building
 - Elizabeth River Trail re-rerouted

York Street - Yarmouth to Duke (Skanska)

- Installation of water line and storm drain continues
 - Curb and gutter work on the north side of the street will follow
 - Work will move to the south side of the street and include installation of the track this month
- HRT has followed up on concerns of unauthorized parking in lot next to Monticello Antiques
 - Spoke with Linda Markert, GM of Residence Inn; she will remind employees of 'no parking' policy
 - Site checks

Duke /Bute Street (DVP)

- Utility relocation necessitates the continued closure of the Duke/Bute intersection and should be re-opened later this week
 - Traffic detoured to the Botetourt/York Street intersection
 - Pedestrian access will be maintained.
 - On street parking has been removed in the construction area
- Partial closure of the Duke/York intersection
 - From Duke Street
 - No turns west onto York Street
 - Turns east on to York Street to access Residence Inn and York Street parking garage
 - From York Street (east of Duke Street)
 - No turns south onto Duke Street

Boush Street

There will be a partial closure of Boush Street in mid-late July for utility work in advance of light rail contractors.

Monticello Avenue – City Hall to Market Street (Skanska)

- Installation of OCS foundations continues

- Traffic flow changes on Monticello were delayed to accommodate holiday weekend festivities
 - Starting tomorrow, Tuesday, July 7, 2009, Monticello will become one way northbound
- Next phase of work will be completed in three stages
 - City Hall Avenue to Market Street
 - Market Street to Freemason Street
 - Freemason Street to Charlotte Street

Atlantic Street (HRSD)

- Full closure of Atlantic Street, from Plume Street to just south of the entrance to City Center parking garage. Work will continue for another week
 - Two-way traffic via City Hall Avenue will maintain access to City Center parking garage
 - Traffic control by Norfolk Police Department may be provided at City Hall/Atlantic Street intersection from 4:30-6:30 p.m.
 - Sidewalk on east side of Atlantic Street will be closed
 - No on-street parking on Atlantic Street (between City Hall and Plume)

Kirn Library Demo (SB Cox)

- Demolition of the building began today
- Small ceremony and press coverage
 - Contractor does not anticipate lane closures past parking lanes
 - Work hours will be at least 12 hours a day, starting at 7 a.m.
 - Sidewalk closures on Plume, Bank, Atlantic, and City Hall are possible as limits of demolition necessary for pedestrian safety are established
 - Parking
 - North side parking lane closed on Plume Street
 - Parking will be removed on Atlantic Street
 - Parking may be removed on Bank Street
 - Event bus parking for MacArthur Memorial to remain on Bank Street with City Hall as backup
 - Debris will be removed from the site using tractor trailers
 - Atlantic to City Hall
 - Most of the loading of debris will be contained on-site. There may be a few days when debris loading occurs in a closed lane
 - Anticipated completion September 1st

Plume Street (Skanska)

- Construction on Plume Street continues
 - Traffic remains one-way westbound since June 30, 2009
 - After initial challenges, the signage was improved later that day
 - Parking
 - On street parking will be removed to accommodate two-way traffic
 - Pedestrian traffic
 - Pedestrian access remains on the north side of Plume Street

Plume Street (DVP)

- Dominion Virginia Power has extensive relocations that must be done on Plume Street. Plans that are currently in development show DVP starting their work at the Plume/Atlantic Street intersection and working east toward St. Paul's Blvd.
- DVP can not start their work until HRSD completes their relocations on Plume Street. It is important to note that DVP's work will be happen on the north side of the street at the same time as Skanska's work on the south side of the street.
- Plume Street will remain one-way, westbound during this work.
- Parking

- On Street parking north side of Plume Street will be removed when DVP's work begins

Saint Pauls Blvd. (HRSD)

- Work continues on St. Paul's Boulevard
 - Traffic flow:
 - Southbound St. Pauls Blvd
 - One lane closure
 - Pedestrian flow
 - Sidewalk on the west side of St. Paul's Blvd. will close between City Hall Avenue and Main Street
 - Detour route is being prepared on east side of St. Paul's Blvd.
 - Pedestrian crosswalks will be maintained but crosswalk locations will change according to the work being done

Downtown Construction Update
July 6- July 13



Freemason Area



Completed

- **Duke Street-** Water and Sewer installed from Bute Street to Brambleton Avenue
- **Yarmouth Street (Brambleton to Freemason Mews)-** Water main installed
- **Yarmouth Street (Brambleton to Freemason Intersection)-** Sewer installed
- **Bute Street-** Water and Sewer installed from Dunmore Street to Duke Street
- **York Street-** Botetourt Intersection, water and sewer installation is complete
 - Water and Sewer installed from Dunmore Street to the NOAA property
 - Sewer installation complete in the 200 block
- **Dunmore Street-** Water and Sewer installed from York Street to Bute Street
- **Yarmouth Street/ Freemason Street Intersection-** Water and Sewer installation Complete
- **Freemason Street-** Water main installed

Ongoing

Yarmouth Street

- Construction continues south of Freemason Mews proceeding to College Place
 - Expect 1-2 months for completion

Freemason Street

- Sewer installation continues to progress
- Duke/ Freemason intersection work will begin upon DVP completing work in the Duke/ Bute intersection

What's Next

Freemason Street

- Final phase will be to re-install cobblestones