

Downtown Construction Roundtable Monday, December 14, 2009 4:00 p.m.

Attendees:

Tiffany Swindell, Hampton Roads Transit; **Heather Maynard**, Hampton Roads Transit; **Paul Filion**, City of Norfolk; **Bob Batcher**, City of Norfolk; **Jack Kavanaugh**, Freemason Civic League; **Susan Roenker**, Dominion Enterprises; **Cathy Coleman**, Downtown Norfolk Council; **Don Lint**, Hampton Roads Transit; **Jim O'Brien**; **Jim Hughes**, GSA; **Charles Rigney**, City of Norfolk; **Tom Ewings**, Macarthur Center; **Rod McLeod**, Downtown Norfolk Council **Jennifer Cauldwell**, Department of Utilities; Kevin Murphy, Downtown Norfolk Civic League; Pamela Moreno, City of Norfolk; **Marie Hodges**, Seven Venues; **Charles Chavoustie**, City of Norfolk;

Opening:

- Bob Batcher provided greeting and opening remarks.

Brambleton Avenue/Colley Avenue:

- Heather Maynard gave an update on light rail construction.
- Work to install rail across Colley Avenue is permitted to start on December 17, 2009
- Charles Cooper commented that with the extra lane open on Brambleton Avenue the ease of traffic has improved

West York Street:

- Botetourt
 - Left turn lane from westbound Brambleton returns upon completion of median work later this week.
 - No right turn sign will be reinstalled per community request early this week
 - Paving will be completed between Botetourt and Dunmore street late this week

Duke Street/Bute Area:

- Installation of OCS foundations, water and storm drain underway
 - Road closed to thru traffic between Duke and Boush
 - York Street parking garage is accessible only on York Street during this work

Boush Street:

- Phase one is underway
 - Two way traffic is on east side of Boush Street
 - Pedestrian crosswalk located on the north side of the Boush/Bute intersection
- Baxter Simmons made request last week to have left turns permitted from Bute Street onto Boush Street
 - This request was approved and left turn will be permitted on weekdays after 5pm and on weekends

Charlotte Street:

- Construction activity between Boush and Monticello continues.
- Charlotte Street is open to local traffic to maintain access to all parking lots and building entrance/exit points
- The intersection of Granby/Charlotte will not be under construction until early 2010

Monticello Avenue:

- Charlotte Street, east of Monticello Avenue should be open by the end of this week

- Tom Ewing's stated that the pedestrian crossing signs keep falling
 - Pamela Moreno will follow up
- Upon opening of Charlotte Street, east of Monticello Avenue, DVP and light rail construction will begin work in and around the Monticello/Freemason intersection
 - Freemason, between Granby and Monticello will close for DVP crews to install duct bank
 - Light rail construction will mandate a partial closure of the Monticello/Freemason intersection

City Hall Avenue:

- All relocations, cable pulls, terminations and cutovers are being done during the day at Monticello/City Hall intersection and in city hall Avenue one lane at a time
- Traffic will be reduced to one lane in each direction

Plume Street:

- Work continues from St. Paul's Boulevard to Atlantic Street
- Manhole installation will be completed this evening or early tomorrow.
 - One lane west bound maintained

Government Center:

- Storm drain work continues

Harbor Park:

- Work continues

Meeting adjourned: 4:40 pm

Next meeting: Monday, December 21, 2009