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CREWS CONTINUE TO MAKE PROGRESS ON HILLSBOROUGH STREET

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

During the weeks of December 13 through January 1, construction crews will be conducting the following activities:

- Installation of the Oberlin/Pullen roundabout center island;
- Installation of sewer and water lines on the south side of Hillsborough Street starting at Horne Street and heading west to the 2500 and 2600 blocks of Gardner Street, with some crossings across Hillsborough Street;
- Installation of curb and gutter on Enterprise Street approach to Hillsborough Street;
- Installation of conduit systems on the north side of Hillsborough Street near the 2600 block;
- Installation of curb and gutter, brick sidewalk pavers, and paving on the south side of Hillsborough Street from Logan Court heading west towards the 2300 and 2400 blocks of Horne Street;
- Finishing the installation of brick sidewalk pavers on the north side of Hillsborough Street from Enterprise Street heading east towards the 1900 and 2000 blocks of Maiden Lane and Pullen Road;
- Paving on Oberlin Road between Hillsborough Street and Pullen Road extension (if weather permits); and
- Grading and preparation of various sites for future construction activities.

Crews will be off Christmas Eve and Christmas Day as well as New Years Day.

TRAFFIC UPDATE

Vehicles: Traffic delays on Hillsborough Street are expected between Logan Court and Gardner Street, with one-lane operations at times.

Traffic delays on Oberlin Road are expected between Clark Avenue and Hillsborough Street at times due to the island construction and concrete truck traffic.

Construction on the center island for the Hillsborough Street roundabout will begin soon in 2010. There will be updates in January detailing the project's progress, traffic patterns during the roundabout construction, and measures the construction crews will take to keep the sidewalks and doorways open during when construction moves to the north side of the street.

The Oberlin Road parking lot for Red Hot + Blue, Player's Retreat, and Sam & Bill's remains open for customers. Oberlin Road access to BB&T remains open as well.

Pedestrians: Crosswalks and campus entrances remain open near Horne Street and The Alley (formerly Western Lanes) in the busiest construction area. Numerous crosswalks are in place elsewhere along the street.

Pedestrians and customers can still access Oberlin Road businesses during the construction process, as see the new wider sidewalks along the street on the business side.

Sidewalks on the north side of Hillsborough Street from Logan Court to Maiden Lane will be closed and pedestrian traffic will be shifted to the sidewalks on the south side of Hillsborough Street, now completed.

EVENTS UPDATE

Hillsborough Street businesses remain open for business. Please patronize your local businesses as we work to build a new vision for Hillsborough Street.