

December 14, 2017

Public Meeting

New Bern Avenue Sidewalk and Transit Improvements Project

Project Description

TIP Project No. C-56040A

The City of Raleigh, in coordination with the North Carolina Department of Transportation, proposes multimodal improvements to New Bern Avenue from Tarboro Street to Sunnybrook Road (approximately 2.2 miles).

- Between Tarboro Street and Raleigh Boulevard (Section 1), the proposed improvements include 14-foot-wide sidewalks on the back of curb, upgraded transit stops, LED street lighting, streetscaping, and landscaping. The 14-foot-wide sidewalk will be reduced where necessary to stay with existing right-of-way. Section 1 is approximately 0.5 miles.
- Between Raleigh Boulevard and Sunnybrook Road (Section 2), the proposed improvements include an 8-foot-wide sidewalk/multi-use path that will meander like a greenway. Curb and gutter is proposed where it is required to minimize the footprint to stay within the existing right-of-way. Section 2 is approximately 1.7 miles.

Pedestrian/traffic signal modifications and drainage improvements will be added where required along both sections of the project corridor.

First Public Meeting

The first public meeting (February 2017) for the New Bern Avenue Sidewalk and Transit Improvements Project had approximately 40 people in attendance. Public comments received from the meeting were compiled and reviewed by the project team. Based on comments received, the following changes were made to the proposed design:

- Minor adjustments to the sidewalk alignment in various locations along the corridor
- Transit stop at the WakeMed Raleigh Campus was relocated to the east side of the campus entrance.

These changes as well as proposed easements and right-of-way are shown on the maps displayed at today's meeting.

The purpose of this project is to improve the connectivity of pedestrian and transit facilities along New Bern Avenue.

Purpose of Today's Public Meeting

The purpose of today's public meeting is to provide you with information on the project and to get your input on the proposed design. A presentation will be given at 6:30 pm. Following the presentation, maps of the proposed designs will also be displayed around the room for your viewing. Members of the project team and other City of Raleigh representatives are available to answer your questions and listen to your comments regarding the project.

You are encouraged to provide comments on the proposed project. You can submit written comments tonight using the attached comment sheet and placing it in the comment box. You may also submit comments via mail or email to David Savage (contact information on back) no later than January 5, 2018.



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History

New Bern Avenue is a major east-west commuter route to/from Downtown Raleigh. Existing New Bern Avenue is a divided one-way pair from the State Capitol to Poole Road and a four-lane median divided roadway from Poole Road to I-440. It is one of the highest ridership transit routes in the City of Raleigh. There is existing pedestrian infrastructure on New Bern Avenue, but it varies widely and has multiple disconnected sidewalks.

The New Bern Avenue Sidewalk and Transit Improvements Project will address the following objectives in the City of Raleigh's New Bern Avenue Corridor Study (January 2012): (1) improve pedestrian safety at major intersections, (2) add pedestrian crossings where the distance between traffic signals is great than 1,000 feet, (3) improve transit, bike, pedestrian and lighting facilities within the corridor to create a safe, healthy, and walkable environment, (4) improve the connectivity of sidewalks and bike trails, and (5) improve transit stop accommodations.

Next Steps

At the end of the comment period, all comments will be compiled and reviewed by the project team. As the proposed designs are updated, the comments received will be taken into consideration.

Project Website

Additional project information can be found online at:

www.raleighnc.gov/projects/content/PWksDesignConst/Articles/NewBernAvenue.html

Schedule

December 14, 2017

Second Public Meeting

December 19, 2017

City Council Public Hearing

Summer 2018

Complete Right-of-Way and
Easement Application

Fall 2018

Advertise for Construction

Winter 2018

Award Construction Contract

Fall 2019

Project Completion



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Public Meeting Comment Form

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Please type or print the following information:

Name:

Address:

Telephone:

Email (optional):

Please leave your completed comment sheet at the meeting or deliver by January 5, 2018.

To mail: fold in thirds with address showing on the outside, tape closed on each end and affix the proper postage.

This sheet is pre-addressed to the City of Raleigh (on back).

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