



Branders Bridge Road Widening Project

City of Colonial Heights and Dewberry Engineers, Inc.
www.dewberry.com/BrandersBridgeRd
UPC #99194

June 24, 2021, 6:00 – 8:00 PM
Council Chambers of City Hall
201 James Avenue, Colonial Heights, Virginia 23834

Project Impacts

The City coordinated with a variety of state and federal resource agencies and also complete several technical studies to determine whether or not the proposed project will impact the human and natural environment. A summary of project impacts is provided below.

Resource Category	Impacts
Significant Environmental Impacts	None
Historic properties	None
Floodplain	None
Noise	None
Threatened/Endangered species	None
Residential displacements	None
Business displacements	None

In accordance with the Federal Highway Administration’s guidelines for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), this project qualified for a Programmatic Categorical Exclusion (PCE), a copy of which is available for your review at today’s meeting. Other material available for your review are an Intensive Level Survey and Evaluation of the residential properties adjacent to the project and the Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment (ESA).

Project Cost

The current cost estimate is approximately \$629,328 broken down as follows:

- Preliminary Engineering – \$126,000
- Right of Way acquisition & Utility relocation – \$100,000
- Construction – \$403,328

Next Steps

The public comment period will last until Saturday, July 24th, 2021. After the public comment period has ended, the City and their team of consulting engineers will review and consider all of the comments provided before finalizing the plans. It is anticipated that construction will begin in November of 2022.

- Design complete July 2021
- Right of Way acquisition begins January 2022
- Construction begins November 2022
- Construction complete July 2023



Welcome

The City of Colonial Heights is developing a project to improve intersection capacity for eastbound traffic traveling on Branders Bridge Road towards Boulevard (Route 1).

The proposed improvements will not only reduce the queue lengths but will also provide increased intersection capacity to and from the surrounding areas.

Key elements of the improvements being shown today include:

- An extended thru and right turn lane onto eastbound James Avenue and southbound Boulevard, respectively
- New concrete commercial entrances on both Branders Bridge Road and Franklin Avenue
- Pedestrian crosswalk across Branders Bridge Road at Franklin Avenue connecting the existing and proposed curb ramps

Purpose of the Hearing

The purpose of this hearing is to share with you the preliminary design plans recommended by City staff and approved by City Council. In addition, City staff and the project consultant will be present to answer any questions, and to receive your comments. Please review all the display and informational materials that have been made available. A video presentation will be given at 6:15 PM and the same presentation will be played again at 7:15 PM. Your verbal and written input is appreciated and you are encouraged to complete the enclosed comment sheet. Your comments and/or suggestions will be reviewed and considered by the project design team before the plans are finalized. If you would like to speak to someone, representatives from the City and its consultants are available to answer your questions and listen to your thoughts or concerns. Thank you for your interest.

Please review the maps and displays and share your thoughts by using a comment sheet available at the sign-in desk. You may leave your comments at today’s meeting or record your comments orally with a stenographer at the designated recording station.

Additionally, you may submit written comments by mail or email to Keith Chisolm no later than July 24th, 2021. His contact information is:

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Please reference “Branders Bridge Road Widening Public Hearing Comments” in the subject heading.

If you need additional information following today’s meeting, please call Mr. Chisolm at (804) 520-9334.

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PRELIMINARY DESIGN
NOT FOR CONSTRUCTION

Date: June 2021
Scale: 1" = 25'

