Information and Get Involved

Replacing the Belmont Bridge is a community priority.

While there’s a sense of urgency, there’s also an understanding of importance. The new bridge will need to accommodate the changing needs of our community, integrate with downtown and surrounding neighborhoods, and add lasting value to the City’s visual appeal. The current preliminary design is based on a successful public engagement process that has benefited from the involvement of the public, stakeholder groups, the project’s Steering and Technical Committees and all of you. Understanding community values and expectations as well as functional requirements has informed the current preliminary design for the NEW Belmont Bridge. Yet we still eagerly need your input!

Project Scope

- Remove the existing Belmont Bridge
- Build a replacement Belmont Bridge with
  - 2 – 11’ Vehicular Lanes in each direction
  - 2 – 10’ Bicycle Lane in each direction
  - 2 – 10’ Sidewalks in each direction
- Convert Old Avon Street between Levy Ave and South Street to a pedestrian plaza.
- Streetscape improvements to 9th Street from Levy to Market
- Streetscape improvements to South and Old Avon Street
- Upgrade traffic signals at 9th/Avon/Levy and 9th/Market
- Pedestrian Lighting
- Enhance pedestrian connection to the Downtown Mall and Water Street from the bridge.

Schedule

The public comment period will close on June 8, 2018. At that time, City representatives will review and evaluate any information received as a result of the hearing, adjusting the project design as needed. After the public hearing, Charlottesville City Council will be requested to pass a resolution approving the major design features.

The project will then progress to the Board of Architectural Review for a Certificate of Appropriateness before right of way acquisition begins.

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All comments must be submitted by June 8, 2018 to
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