

Shockoe Valley Streets Improvement Project

Steering Committee Meeting #3

May 2, 2019

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Agenda

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Hon. Felicia Cosby 6th District, Richmond School Board

Tim Davey Shockoe Partnership

Jeff Eastman VCU

Ed Fendley Church Hill Association

Max Hepp-Buchanan Venture Richmond

Hon. Delores McQuinn Slave Trail Commission

John Murden New Vision Civic League

Stewart Schwartz Partnership for Smarter Growth

Sylvester "Tee" Turner Slave Trail Commission

Keith Westbrook Legislative Assistant to Delegate McQuinn

Lawrence Williams East View Civic Association

Patricia Williford Mosby Tenant Council



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CITY OF RICHMOND STAFF

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Amy Nelson *Project Engineer*

Matt Bray Architectural Historian



Diane Linderman Assistant Project Manager

Christopher Daily *Transportation Engineer*

Project Status



Meeting Updates

- Steering Committee Meeting #1 January 31, 2018
- Full Technical Committee Meeting March 2, 2018
- Steering Committee Meeting #2 March 27, 2018
- Traffic & Roadway Technical Meetings— May 1, 2018, June 11, 2018, October 15, 2018, and January 18, 2019
- Public Workshop #1 May 1, 2018
- Traffic, Roadway, & Planning Technical Meetings— November 20, 2018 and January 25, 2019



Meeting Updates

- Presentation to Shockoe Alliance March 27, 2019
- Meetings with Mayor/City Council Members April 2019
- Section 106 Consulting Parties Meeting April 10, 2019
- Steering Committee Meeting #3 May 2, 2019
- Public Workshop #2 May 9, 2019
- Submit to UDC May 15, 2019
- Meeting with UDC June 6, 2019



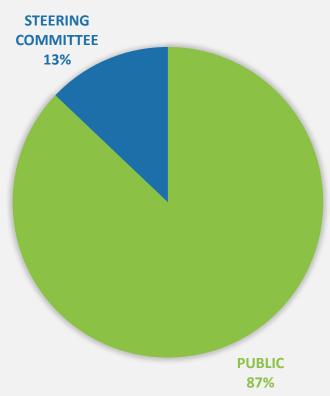
Public Meeting Feedback

May 1, 2018 Martin Luther King Jr. Middle School

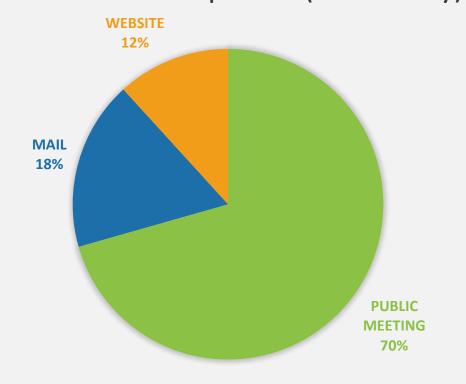


Meeting Attendance and Feedback

31 Attendees

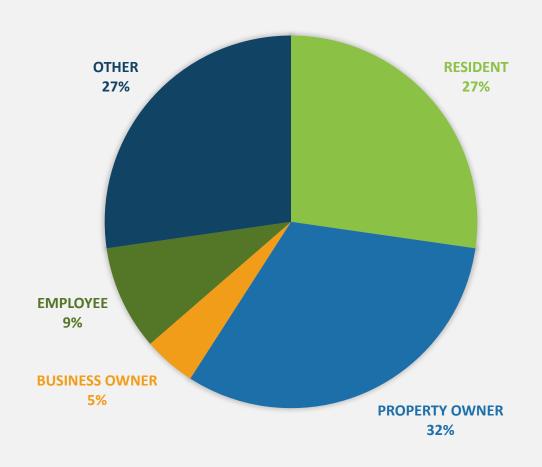


17 Comment Responses (Public Only)





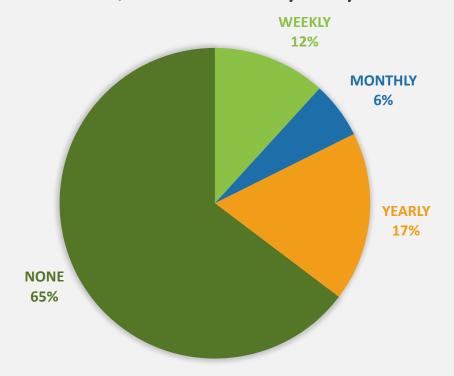
Interest in the Study Area



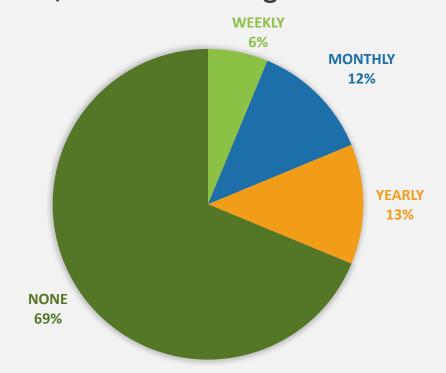


Travel / Commute in Study Area

Travel / Commute by Bicycle



Travel / Commute Using Local Transit



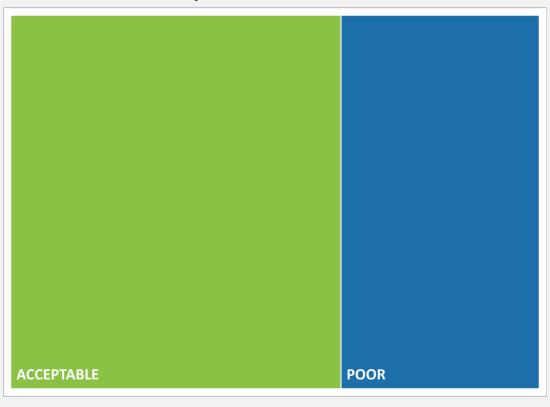


Current Conditions

Pedestrian Conditions



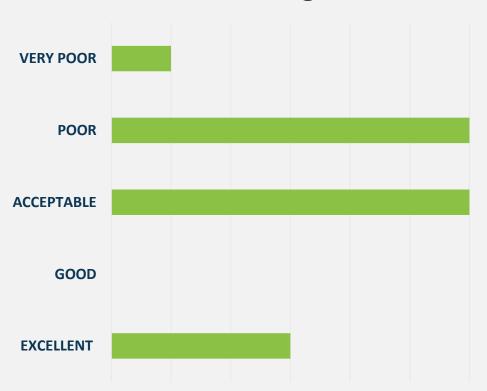
Bicyclist Conditions





Current Conditions





Parking at Venable and 18th Streets





Importance of Future Conditions

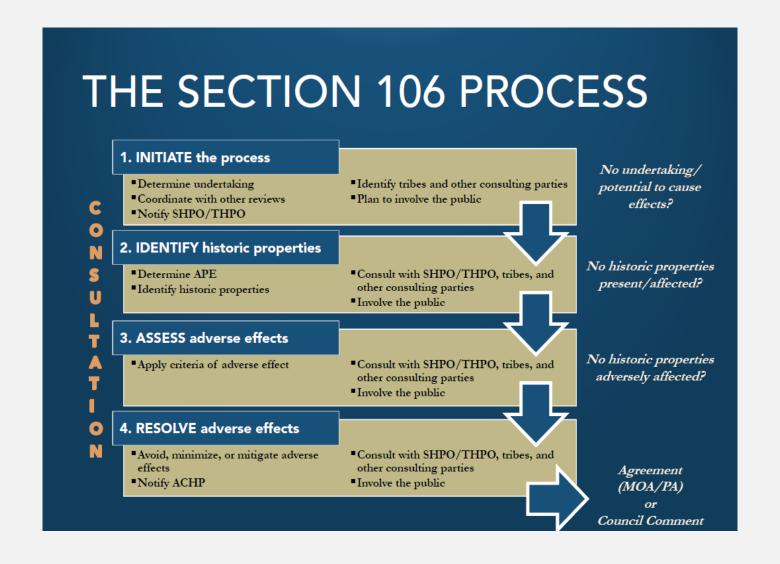
Most Important Improve Sense of Place Improve Sidewalks and Crosswalks **Reduce Traffic Congestion** Provide Designated Bike Lanes Reduce Vehicle Speeds **Enhance Trail Connections Enhance Bus Stops** Least Important



Cultural Resources

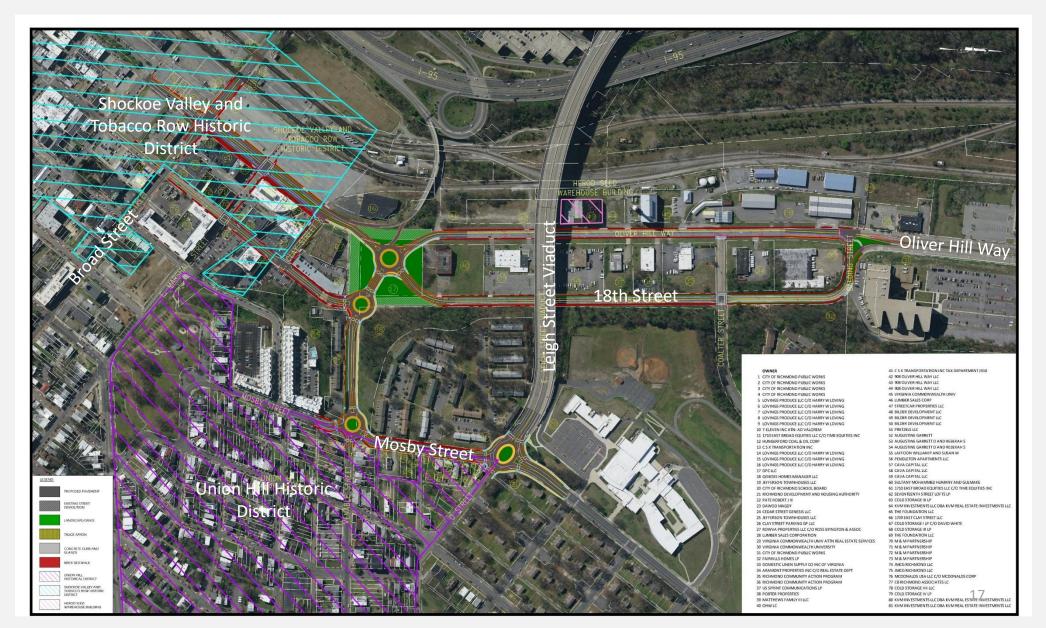


National Historic Preservation Act – Section 106 Review



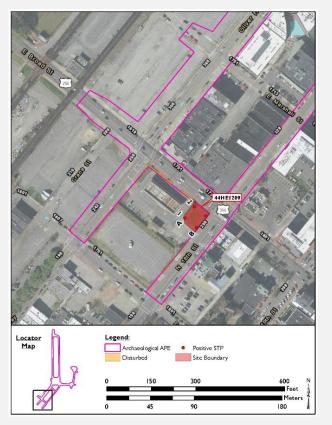


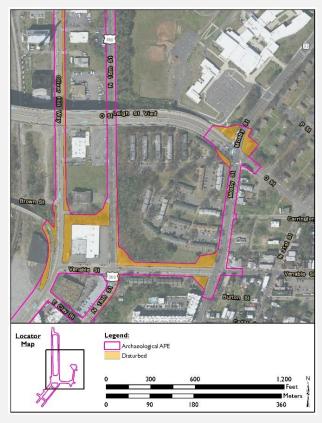
Historic and Cultural Resources

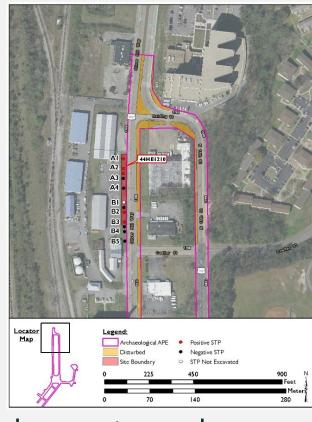




Phase I Archaeology Survey







- Majority of APE was disturbed by modern development, roadways, or underground utilities (orange) or covered in impervious, paved surfaces
- Two areas identified in APE for archaeological testing
 - Two sites identified in APE—44HE1209 and 44HE1210

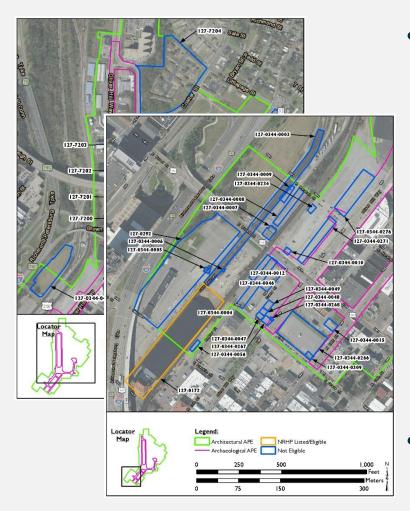
Archaeological Sites Identified

- Broad St. at 17th St. (Site 44HE1209)
 - Scatter of 19 historic and modern artifacts (vessel glass, brick, ironstone and whiteware ceramics, plastic, and post-1959 penny) dating to the 19th and 20th centuries recovered from disturbed fill layer
 - Recommended not eligible for listing in the NRHP
- Oliver Hill Way between Balding St. and Coalter St. (Site 44HE1210)
 - Scatter of 13 historic and modern artifacts (vessel glass, ironstone and whiteware ceramics, a nail) and two prehistoric lithics (bipolar core and Middle to Late Archaic Halifax projectile point) recovered from disturbed and graded soils
 - Recommended **not eligible** for listing in the NRHP





Historic Architectural Survey



- Reconnaissance-level documentation
 - Nine newly identified (50 years of age or older by 2020)
 - All recommended <u>not individually eligible</u> for listing in the NRHP
 - One resource contributes to the Shockoe Valley & Tobacco Row Historic
 District
 - Seventy-nine previously identified resources resurveyed
 - Seventy-five recommend <u>not individually eligible</u> for listing in the NRHP
 - Forty-eight contribute to the historic district in which they are located (Shockoe Valley & Tobacco Row Historic District or Union Hill Historic District)
 - Four resources remain <u>listed on the NRHP</u>: Main Street Station (127-0172), Shockoe Valley & Tobacco Row Historic District (127-0344), Union Hill Historic District (127-815), and Herod Seeds Inc. (127-6914)
- Eleven resources recently evaluated by DHR and not resurveyed
 - Two are <u>eligible</u> for listing in the NRHP: Winfree Cottage (127-6129) and Seaboard Air Line Railroad Corridor (127-6271)



Historic Properties

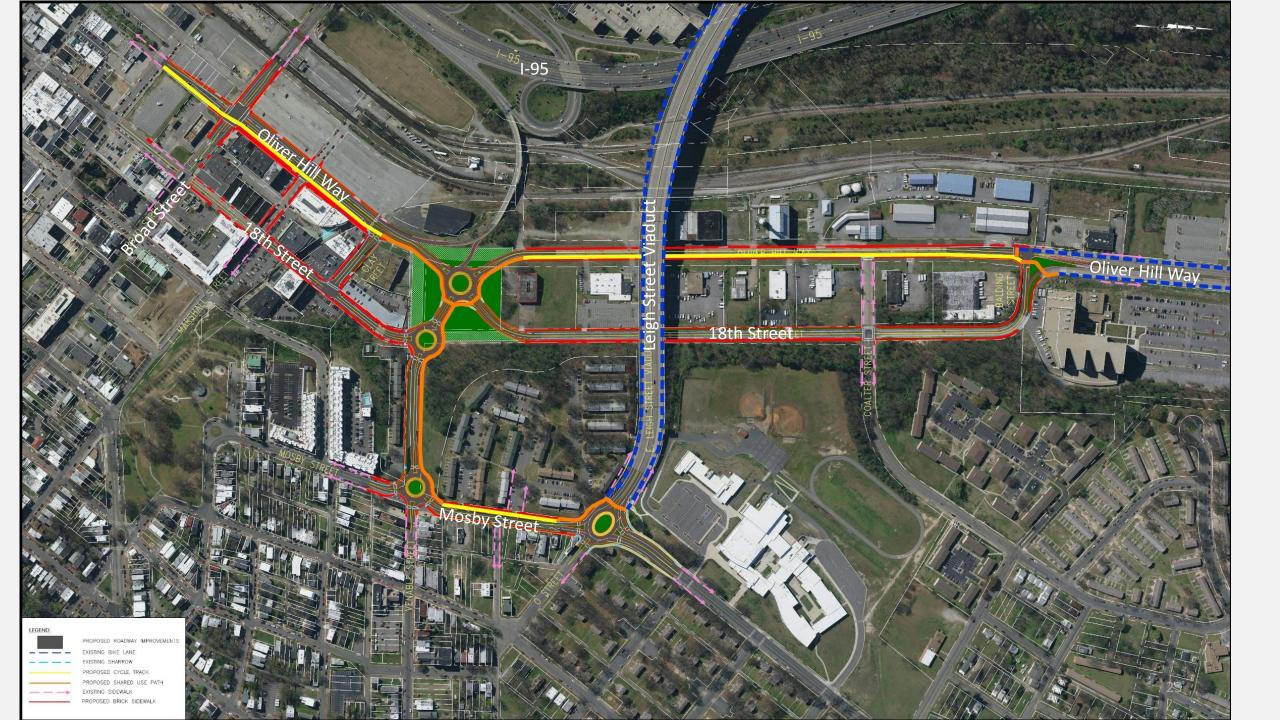
- For the purposes of Section 106, a total of <u>six</u> historic properties, those listed or considered eligible for listing in the NRHP, were identified within the project APE:
 - Main Street Station (127-0172)
 - Shockoe Valley & Tobacco Row Historic District (127-0344)
 - Union Hill Historic District (127-815)
 - Herod Seeds Inc. (127-6914)
 - Winfree Cottage (127-6129)
 - Seaboard Air Line Railroad Corridor (127-6271)
- Consideration is given to contributing resources within the historic districts

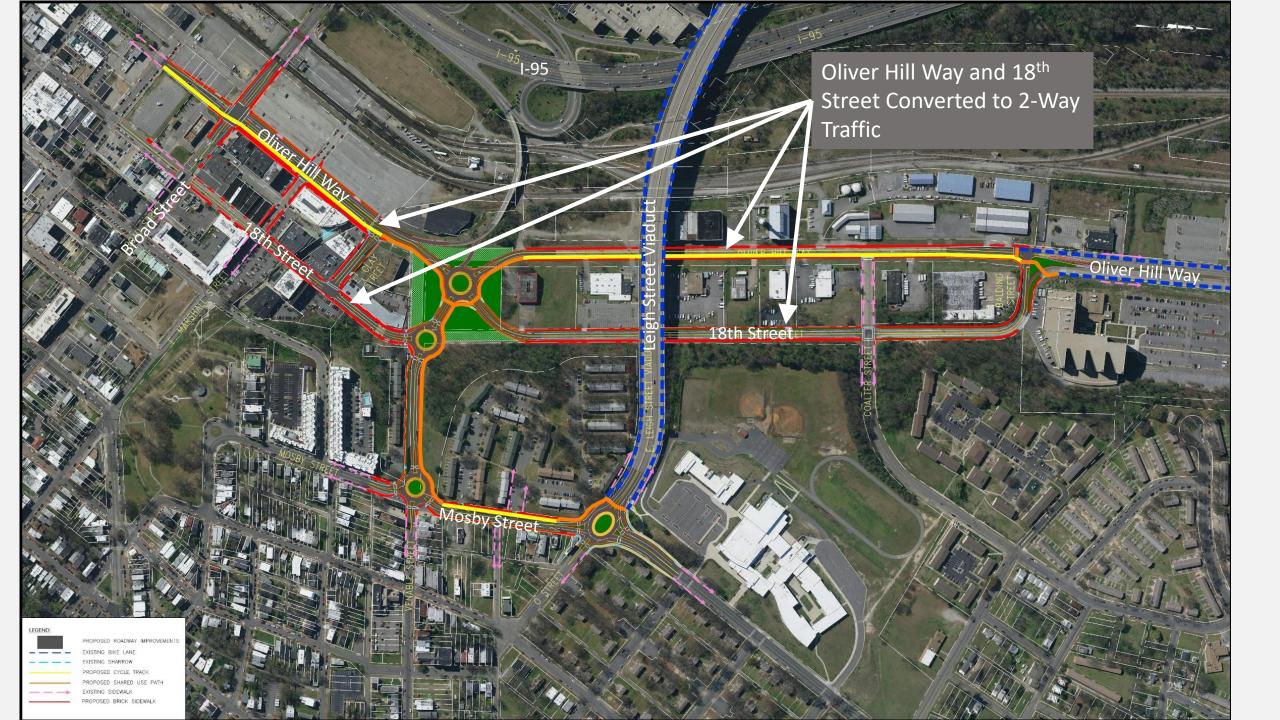


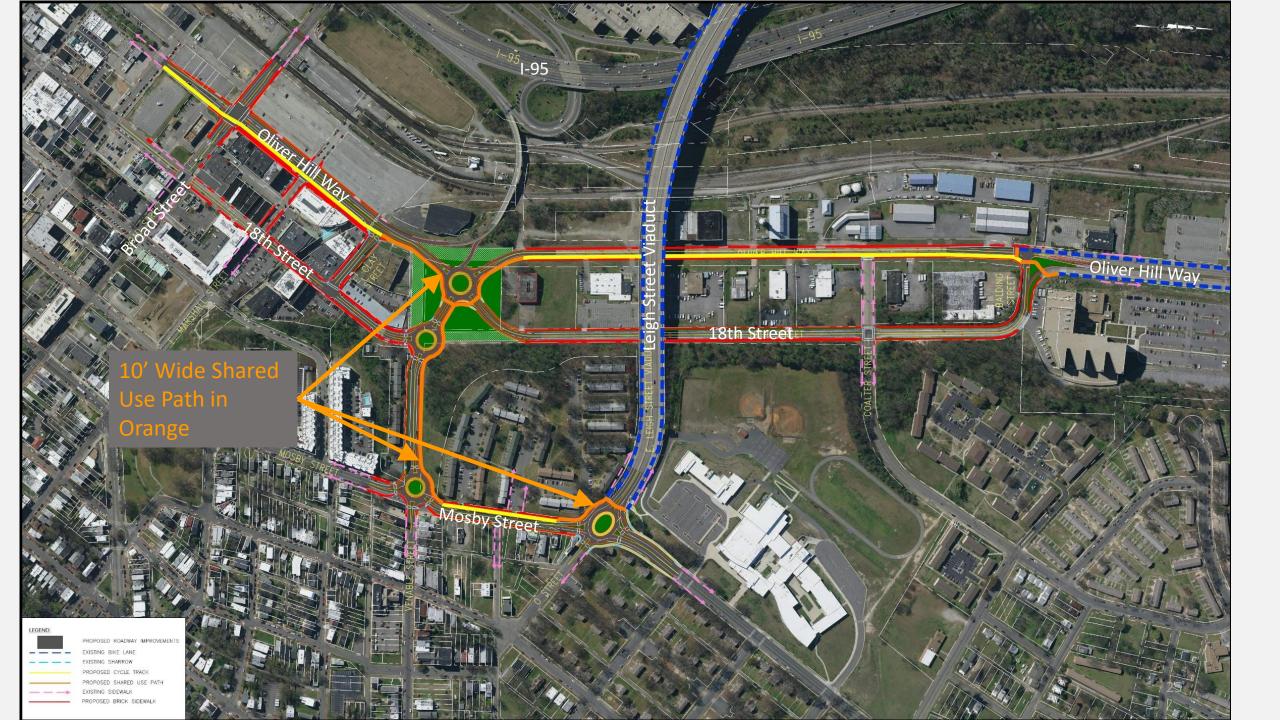


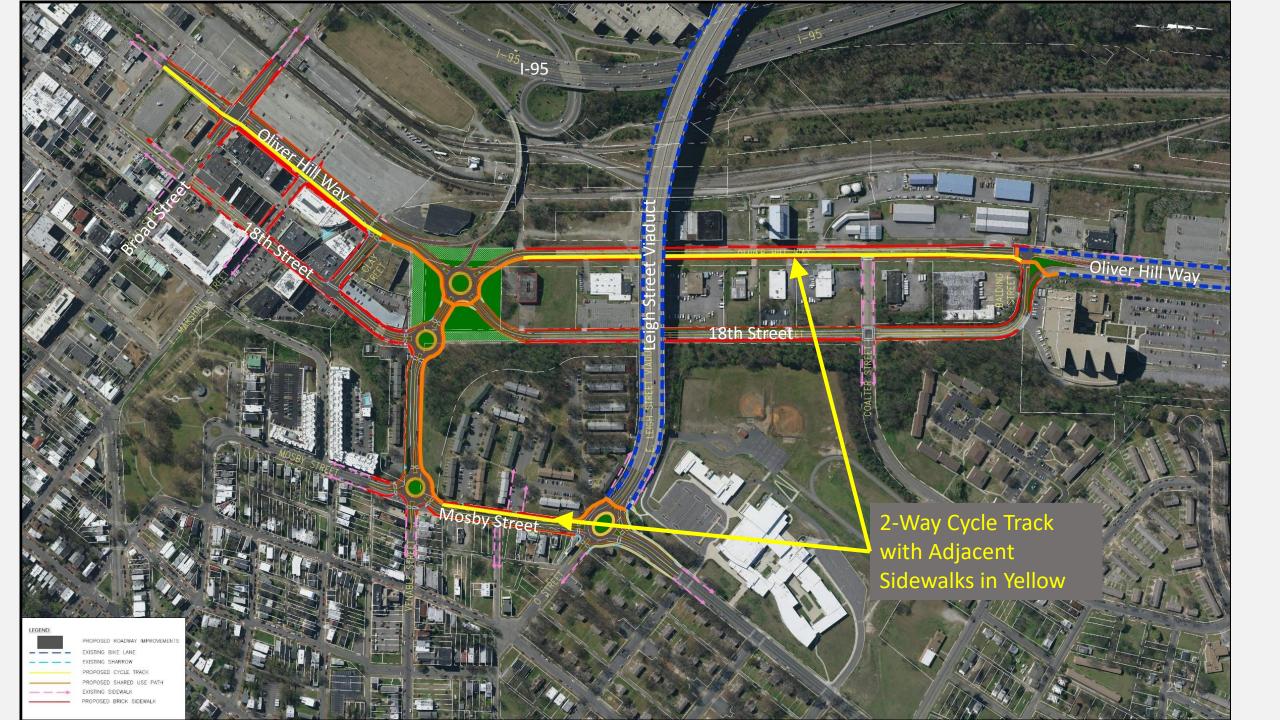
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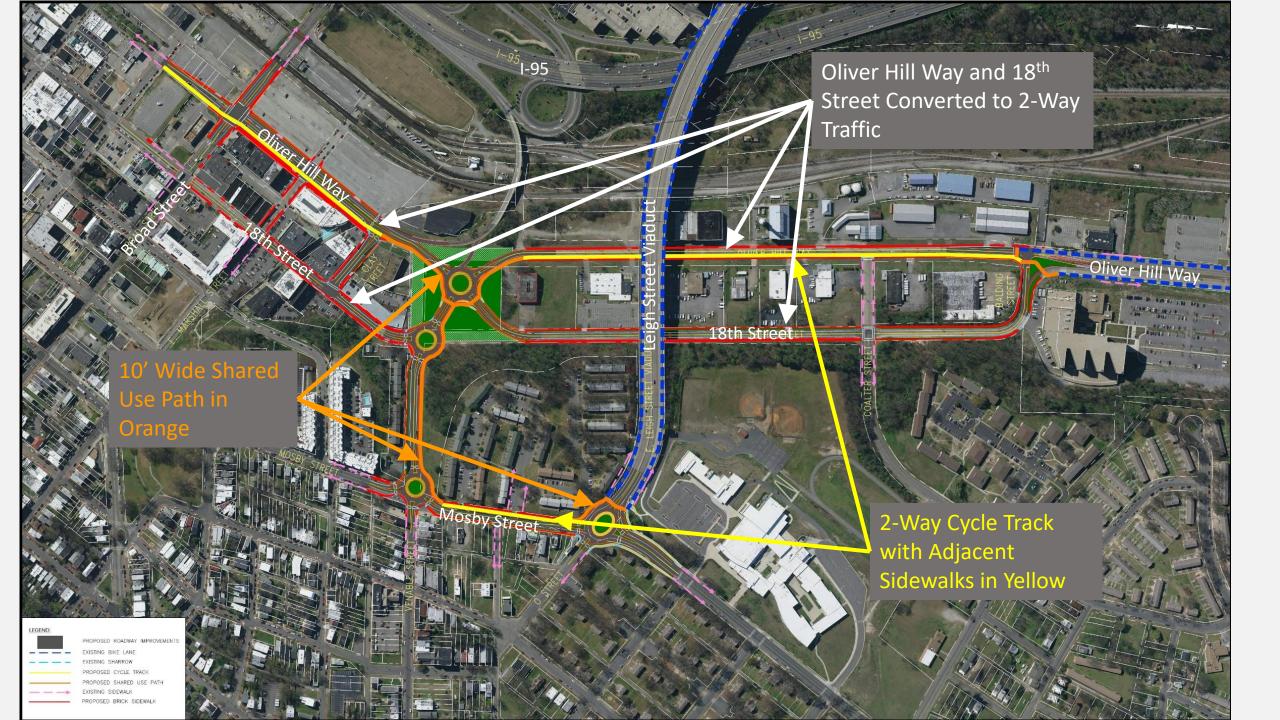






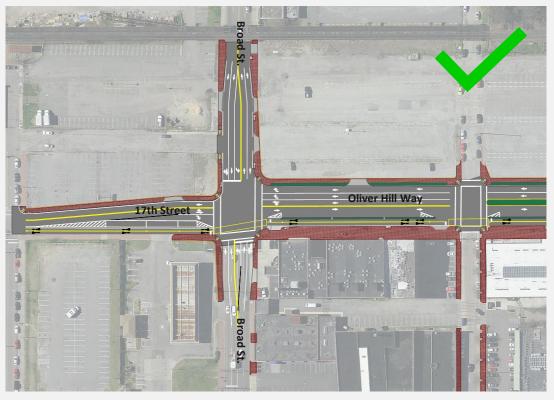






E. Broad St. / North 17th St. / Oliver Hill Way





Conventional Intersection



- Reduces Impacts to Property and Historic District
- Alleviates Traffic Impacts to I-95 (Roundabout Impacts I-95)
- Provides Enhanced Pedestrian and Bicycle Accommodations

Oliver Hill Way Looking South







Proposed



Oliver Hill Way / Venable St. / 18th St.





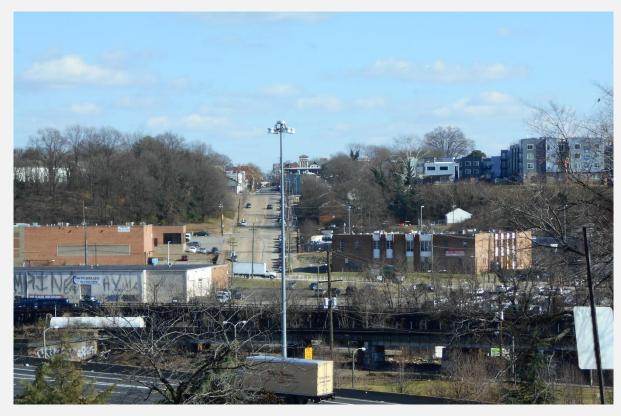
Existing Proposed

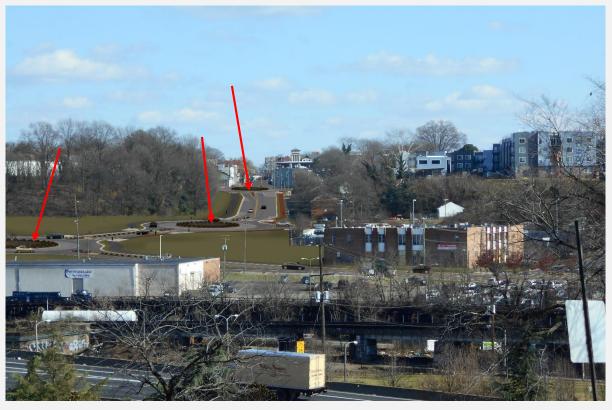
Roundabouts

- Full Access from I-95 to Union Hill and Church Hill Neighborhoods
- Alleviates Backups onto I-95
- Traffic Calming
- Opportunity for Place Making



Venable St. Looking East Across I-95





Existing Proposed



Venable St. / Mosby St.



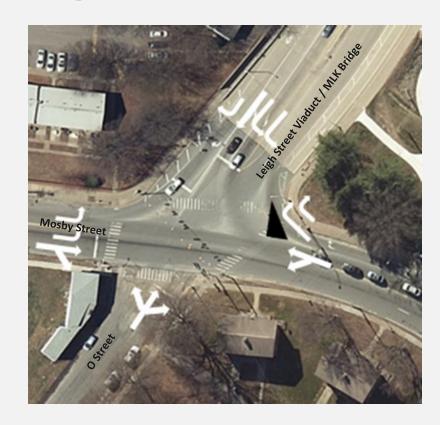


- Improved Traffic Operations
- Improved Pedestrian Crossings at Intersection
- Reduces Vehicle Speeds in the Corridors





Leigh St. Viaduct / Mosby St. / O St.



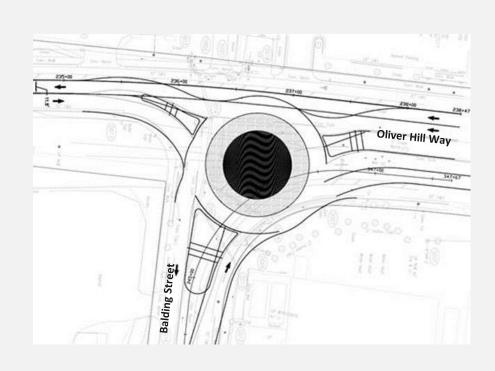


Roundabout

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Balding St. / Oliver Hill Way / 18th St.





Conventional Intersection



- Reduces Impacts to Properties
- Facilitates Bicycle Transition from Cycle Track to 1-Way



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SHOCKOE VALLEY STREETS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Martin Luther King Jr. Middle School
1000 Mosby Street
Thursday, May 9
6 - 8 p.m. (in the Gym)

Please plan to attend. We need your input.



