

BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN SUBCOMMITTEE

March, 23 2026



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1. Welcome & Introductions
2. Public Comment Opportunity
3. Election of Subcommittee Chair
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6. Overview of Capital Project Funding Sources
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Confirm 2026 Meeting Dates

- April 27
- June 1
- July 27
- Tentative: August 24
- September 28
- Tentative: October 26
- November 30 (alternative date to Thanksgiving week)

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SMART SCALE ROUND 7 UPDATES

March 23, 2026





SMART SCALE Applications

- Northend Greenway: Monroe Street to Downtown
- Chicago Avenue Corridor Improvements
- MLK Jr. Way and East Market Street Multi-Modal Improvements
- North Mason Street Study
- Port Republic Road Improvements: Devon Lane to Neff Avenue
- Vine Street Corridor Safety
- Virginia Avenue Corridor Safety
- **Port Republic Road Improvements: Exit 245 & Forest Hill Road**



SMART SCALE Timeline

- Pre-application due April 1, 2026
- Full application due August 1, 2026
- Scores released in early 2027
- Decisions about funding made by Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) in or around June 2027
- Money allocated for projects in fiscal years 2029/30
- Project construction in or around 2033

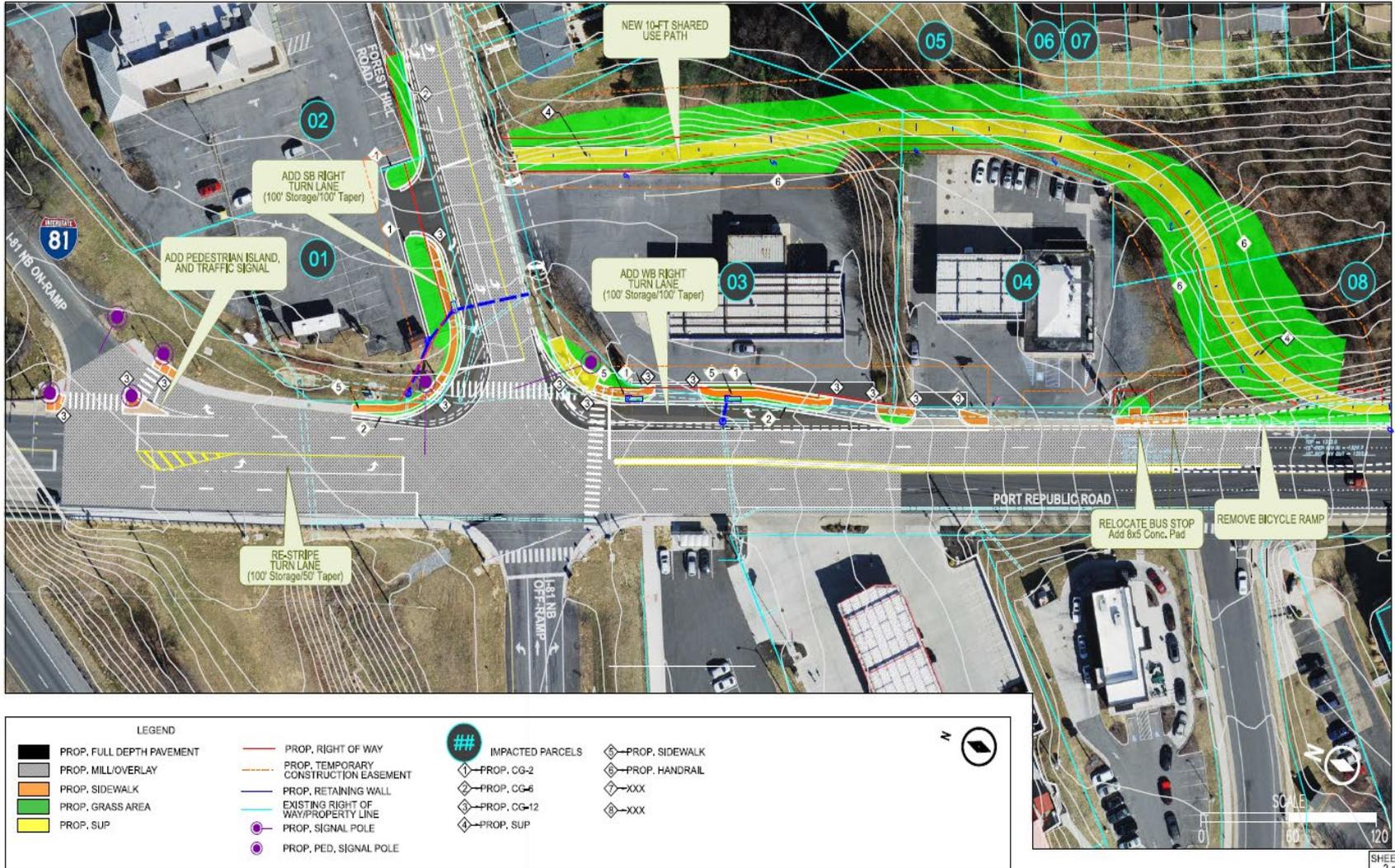


Port Republic Road Improvements: Exit 245 & Forest Hill Road

- 2024 Project Pipeline Study
- Successful Round 6 SMART SCALE Application
- Plan is to resubmit for Round 7
- Components
 - Extend two lane queue length for SB off-ramp
 - Add right-turn lane on Port Republic Road at Forest Hill Road
 - Extend median on Port Republic Road to Forest hill Rd
 - Extend protected bike lane on Port Republic Road to Forest Hill Road
 - Dual right-turn lanes on Forest Hill Road at Port Republic Road
 - Additional intersection changes
- Total Cost = **\$12-15 million**



Port Republic Road Improvements: Exit 245 & Forest Hill Road



LEGEND			
	PROP. FULL DEPTH PAVEMENT		PROP. RIGHT OF WAY
	PROP. MILL/OVERLAY		PROP. TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT
	PROP. SIDEWALK		PROP. RETAINING WALL
	PROP. GRASS AREA		EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY/PROPERTY LINE
	PROP. SUP.		PROP. SIGNAL POLE
			PROP. PED. SIGNAL POLE
	IMPACTED PARCELS		PROP. SIDEWALK
	PROP. CG-2		PROP. HANDRAIL
	PROP. CG-6		XXX
	PROP. CG-12		XXX
	PROP. SUP		

North Mason Street study

Preferred Alternative

- After feedback from 2/24 Public Hearing and input from Fire Dept
- **Open space option selected**
- North Main Street
 - Remove existing traffic signal
 - Intersection ped crossing changes
- Roundabout at Gay Street
- Left turn lanes at Rock Street
- Keep traffic signal at Wolfe Street
- Elizabeth Street
 - Keep traffic signal
 - New northbound left turn lane



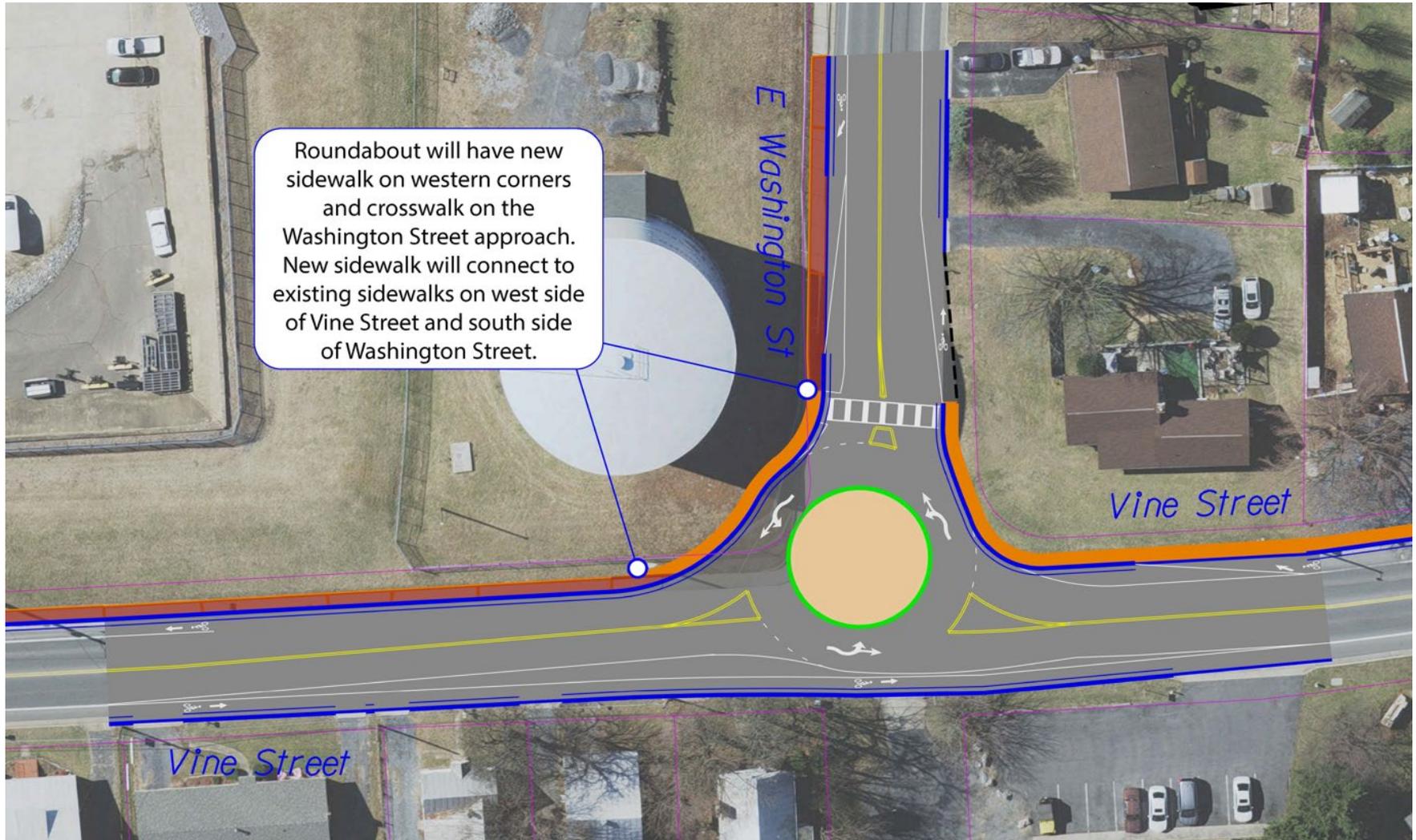


Vine Street Corridor Safety Project Application Changes

- Vine Street at Washington Street
 - Roundabout with bike ramps to surrounding wide sidewalk
- Vine Street at Old Furnace Road
 - No roundabout, left turn lanes added on Old Furnace Road and traffic signal improvements
- Vine Street at Honeysuckle Lane
 - No changes
- Vine Street at Country Club Road
 - No changes
- New sidewalk
 - Construct continuous sidewalk on at least one side of roadway from East Market Street to North Main Street
 - Construct sidewalk connection from Vine Street to Wren Way
- Improved Transit Access
 - New RRFBs and ADA shelter pads at bus stops near Meadowlark Dr. and Leslie Ct.



Vine Street Corridor Safety



Roundabout will have new sidewalk on western corners and crosswalk on the Washington Street approach. New sidewalk will connect to existing sidewalks on west side of Vine Street and south side of Washington Street.



Virginia Avenue Corridor Safety Project Application Changes

- Project Pipeline study looking at Virginia Avenue from Gay Street north to City/County Line
- Changes at Gay Street intersection (**move back existing westbound stop bar**)
- Construct multiple new crosswalks and Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs) between Gay Street and 5th Street
- **New left turn lanes on Virginia Avenue at 3rd Street signalized intersection**
- Right in / Right out treatment at 5th Street + median gateway treatment
- Minor changes at Edom Road intersection
- Short median segment on Mt. Clinton Pike west of Virginia Avenue
- **Short median segment on Virginia Avenue between VMRC and Acorn Drive**
- New sections of sidewalk
 - South side of Mt. Clinton Pike between Virginia Ave and Gift & Thrift
 - West side of Virginia Ave in front of Harmony Square Shopping Center
 - West side of Virginia Ave between Harmony Drive and Willow Hill Circle

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Funding Projects



Funding Sources – SMART SCALE

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State of Good Repair

Revenue Sharing

Transportation Alternatives

Virginia Highway Safety
Improvement Program

Other

- Applications accepted in the even years; deadline is August 1, 2026
- Many types of projects eligible
- Objective, outcome-based scoring process
- Scoring factors:
 - Safety
 - Congestion Mitigation
 - Accessibility
 - Land Use
 - Economic Development
 - Environmental Quality
- Projects are fully funded
- Commonwealth Transportation Board determines project funding decisions

<https://smartscale.virginia.gov/>



Funding Sources - SGR

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Other

Local Paving

- Applications accepted annually, in the fall
- Maximum request of \$1.5M per locality, per year
- Must be advertised within 12 months
- Must complete a Roadway Safety Analysis (RSA)

Local Deficient Bridges

- Applications accepted annually, in the fall
- Bridge must be on the National Bridge Inventory, must be structurally deficient, proposed work must take it out of SD status. Recent legislation makes CUSP bridges eligible.
- Must initiate PE or CN within 24 months

<https://www.vdot.virginia.gov/doing-business/for-localities/local-assistance/state-of-good-repair/>

Funding Sources – Revenue Sharing

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Improvement Program

Other

- Applications accepted in the odd years; last accepted in 2025
- Provides 1:1 cash match funding (50% match)
- Program has up to \$200M per cycle (state funds)
- Locality limit \$5M per year; lifetime project limit \$10M matching funds
- Projects are funded based on priority:
 1. Construction projects that have previously received Revenue Sharing funding
 2. Construction projects that meet a VTrans Need or will accelerate a project in the locality's CIP
 3. Projects that address deficient pavement or bridges
 4. All other eligible requests

<https://www.vdot.virginia.gov/doing-business/for-localities/local-assistance/revenue-sharing/>

Funding Sources – TAP

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Transportation Alternatives

Virginia Highway Safety
Improvement Program

Other

- Applications accepted in the odd years; last accepted in 2025
- Intended to improve non-motorized transportation, enhance the public's travel experience
- Federally funded with required 20% local match
- Expected to be under construction within 4 years
- Includes Safe Routes to School (SRTS) activities

<https://www.vdot.virginia.gov/doing-business/for-localities/local-assistance/transportation-alternatives/>

Funding Sources – VHSIP

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Other

- Applications accepted annually, last was 10/31/24
- Six Systemic Safety Initiatives are eligible/prioritized
 - High Visibility Signal Backplates
 - Flashing Yellow Arrow
 - Pedestrian Crossings
 - Road Diets
 - Unsignalized Intersections
 - Curve Delineation
- Guidance
 - Average cost per treatment
 - Some components not eligible
- No local match

<https://www.vdot.virginia.gov/doing-business/technical-guidance-and-support/traffic-operations/vhsip/>

Funding Sources – Other

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Other

- Virginia
 - Recreational Trails Program
 - State Trails funding
 - Economic Development Access – Development sites intended to attract private development
 - Recreational Access - Recreational and historic sites (road and/or bikeway access)
- Federal
 - BUILD (previously, RAISE and TIGER)
 - Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)
- Other
 - Local
 - Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

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