

Roakes, Raymond A. - PDR

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To: Roakes, Raymond A. - PDR
Subject: comment on Manchester Bridge

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Dear UDC,

If built as currently designed this bridge could be a bottleneck that will restrict a long envisioned path for the lifespan of the bridge which could be 90 plus years. Furthermore, this bridge design does not match the current Mayo Bridge design which has two vehicular lanes and lots of space for bicycles and pedestrians.

Please ensure this bridge is constructed in a way that can match the future typical section of the Mayo bridge. The width of the sidewalk on the west/north side of the bridge should be at least 14 feet wide so it can function as a shared use path. There is only a 400 foot distance from the shared use path that goes under the Mayo Bridge to the start of the Floodwall path. This must be addressed with this project or there will be a bottleneck for generations to come. If the Missing Link trail is ever built there will be a continuous path from the Nickel Bridge to Ancarrow's, this vision is shown in the Richmond 300 and the Richmond Connects plan. The only interruption to that path would be this bridge.

Thank you,

John Bolecek

On Fri, Oct 10, 2025 at 8:12 AM Roakes, Raymond A. - PDR <Raymond.Roakes@rva.gov> wrote:

Good Afternoon,

Attached please find the **FINAL** agenda which references applications to be considered at the **October 16, 2025** meeting of the UDC. (Please note this meeting is subject to change and/or cancellation.)

This meeting will be held at **10:00am in person at City Hall** located at 900 E. Broad Street, Richmond, VA 23219 in the 5th Floor Conference Room.

The public may participate in-person, or through electronic communication using Microsoft Teams.

Instructions on how to participate virtually have been posted to the agenda, and a direct link is posted below.

We warmly invite written public input up to the day before the meeting, which can be placed directly in the record for review by UDC members.

We also invite public participation in-person or online at the scheduled meeting.

Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions.

Thank you,



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