



**City of Richmond
Department of Planning
and Development Review**

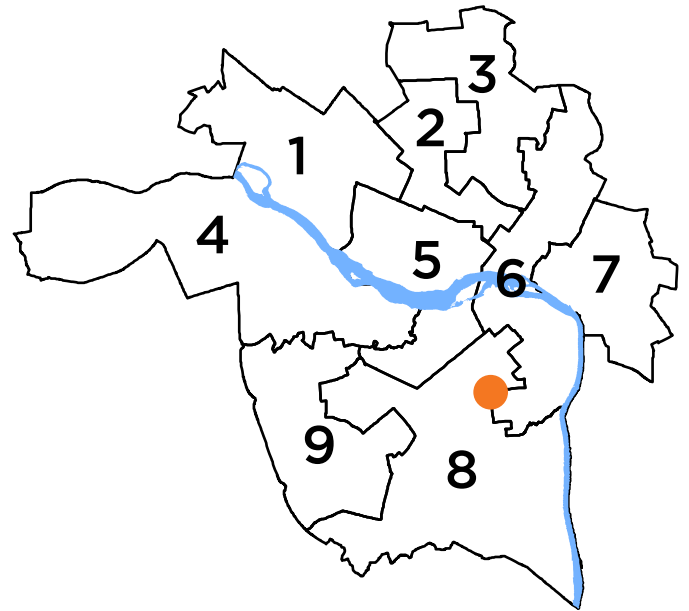
**Urban Design Committee
Location, Character, and Extent**

Address: 1301 Richmond Hwy.

Council District: 8

Description: Removal of
"Jefferson Davis Hwy."
Marker

For questions, please contact Alex Dandridge
at (804)-646-6569 or alex.dandridge@rva.gov





Application for Urban Design Committee Review

Department of Planning and Development Review

Planning & Preservation Division

900 E. Broad Street, Room 510

Richmond, Virginia 23219 | (804) 646-6335

<https://www.rva.gov/planning-development-review/urban-design-committee>



Application Type (select one)

Location, Character, & Extent

Section 17.05

Other:

Encroachment

Design Overlay District

Review Type (select one)

Conceptual

Final

Project Information

Submission Date: _____

Project Name: _____

Project Address: _____

Brief Project Description (this is not a replacement for the required detailed narrative):

Applicant Information (a City representative must be the applicant, with an exception for encroachments)

Name: _____ Email: _____

City Agency: _____ Phone: _____

Main Contact (if different from Applicant): _____

Company: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Submittal Deadlines

All applications and support materials must be filed no later than 21 days prior to the scheduled meeting of the Urban Design Committee (UDC). Please see the schedule on page 3 as actual deadlines are adjusted due to City holidays. **Late or incomplete submissions will be deferred to the next meeting.**

Filing

Applications can be mailed or delivered to the attention of "Urban Design Committee" at the address listed at the top of this page. **It is important that the applicant discuss the proposal with appropriate City agencies, Zoning Administration staff, and area civic associations and residents prior to filing the application with the UDC.**

Submittal Deadlines

The UDC is an 11 member committee created by City Council in 1968 whose purpose is to advise the City Planning Commission (CPC) on the design of projects on City property or right-of-way. The UDC provides advice of an aesthetic nature in connection with the performance of the duties of the Commission under Sections 17.05, 17.06, and 17.07 of the City Charter. The UDC also advises the Department of Public Works in regards to private encroachments in the public right-of-way.



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Submission Requirements

- An electronic copy (PDF preferred) of all application materials, which can be emailed, or delivered by FTP or USB.
- Three (3) copies of the application cover sheet and all support materials (see below).
- Plan sheets should be 11" x 17", folded to 8 1/2" x 11". If it is not possible to scale plans to these dimensions, please provide one set of larger, scaled plans.
- All applications must include the attached cover sheet and the following support materials, as applicable to the project, based on Review Type:

Conceptual Review:

- A detailed project narrative which includes the following: purpose of the project, project background, project budget and funding sources, description of construction program and estimated construction start date (description should also provide information on the surrounding area to provide context).
- A site plan for the project indicating site characteristics which include: building footprints, parking areas, pedestrian routes, recreation areas, open areas, and areas of future expansion.
- A set of floor plans and elevations, as detailed as possible.
- A landscaping plan which shows the general location and character of plant materials and notes any existing tree to be removed.

Final Review:

- A detailed project narrative which includes the following: purpose of the project, project background, project budget and funding sources, description of construction program, and estimated construction start date (description should also provide information on the surrounding area to provide context).
- A site plan for the project indicating site characteristics which include: building footprints, parking areas, pedestrian routes, recreation areas, open areas, and areas of future expansion.
- A set of floor plans and elevations, as detailed as possible.
- A landscaping plan that includes a complete plant schedule, the precise location of all plant materials, and a landscape maintenance analysis. The plant schedule must show number, size and type of each planting proposed. If existing trees are to be removed, their size, type, and location must be noted on the landscape plan.
- The location of all lighting units should be noted on a site plan, including wall-mounted, site, and parking lot lighting. Other site details such as benches, trash containers, and special paving materials should also be located. Include specification sheets for each item.
- Samples of all proposed exterior building materials, including but not limited to brick, mortar, shingles, siding, glass, paint, and stain colors. When an actual sample cannot be provided, a product information sheet that shows the item or a photo of an existing item may be substituted.

Review and Processing

- Once an application is received, it is reviewed by Staff, who compiles a report that is sent to the UDC.
- A copy of the report and the meeting agenda will be sent to the applicant prior to the meeting.
- At the UDC meeting, the applicant or a representative should be present or the application may be deferred to the next regularly scheduled meeting. It is also strongly suggested that a representative of the City Agency which will have final responsibility for the item be present at the meeting (if the applicant and the representative are not the same).
- Once the UDC recommends action on the application, it is automatically placed on the agenda for the next City Planning Commission (CPC) meeting. Exceptions to this are encroachment applications, recommendations for which are forwarded to the Department of Public Works.
- At the CPC meeting, the applicant or a representative should be present, or the application may be deferred to the next regularly scheduled meeting.



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Regular meetings are scheduled on the Thursday after the first Monday of each month at **10:00 a.m. in the 5th floor conference room of City Hall, 900 E. Broad Street**. Special meetings are scheduled as needed.

Meeting Schedule 2021

UDC Meetings	UDC Submission Deadlines	Anticipated Date of Planning Commission Following the UDC Meeting
December 9, 2021	November 11, 2021	December 21, 2021
January 6, 2022	December 16, 2021	January 18, 2022 ¹
February 10, 2022	January 13, 2022	February 22, 2022 ²
March 10, 2022	February 17, 2022	March 21, 2022
April 7, 2022	March 17, 2022	April 18, 2022
May 5, 2022	April 14, 2022	May 16, 2022
June 9, 2022	May 12, 2022	June 21, 2022
July 7, 2022	June 16, 2022	July 18, 2022
August 4, 2022	July 14, 2022	August 15, 2022 ³
September 8, 2022	August 11, 2022	September 19, 2022
October 6, 2022	September 15, 2022	October 17, 2022
November 10, 2022	October 13, 2022	November 21, 2022
December 8, 2022	November 17, 2022 ⁴	December 19, 2022 ⁵

¹ Monday January 17, 2022 is a City of Richmond Holiday

² Monday February 15, 2022 is a City of Richmond Holiday

³ This meeting is subject to cancellation. If so, Planning Commission hearing would be Tuesday September 7, 2021.

⁴ Thursday November 11, 2022 is a City of Richmond Holiday.

⁵ This meeting of the Planning Commission is subject to cancellation.

The Richmond Urban Design Committee is an 11 member advisory committee created by City Council in 1968. Its purpose is to advise the City Planning Commission on the design of City projects. The Urban Design Committee reviews projects for appropriateness in "location, character, and extent" and for consistency with the City's Master Plan and forwards recommendations to the City Planning Commission. The Urban Design Committee also advises the Department of Public Works in regards to private encroachments in the public right-of-way.

For more information, please contact the Planning and Preservation Division staff at (804) 646-6335 or Alex Dandridge at (804) 646-6569 or at alex.dandridge@richmondgov.com.

Property

Address: Intersection of Richmond Highway and Harwood Street

Historic District: n/a

Parcel ID: Adjacent to S0000865001

Applicant Information

Name: Jeannie Welliver

Company: City of Richmond, Department of Public Works

Mailing Address: 900 E Broad St, Richmond VA 23219

Phone: (804) 646-7322

Email: Jeannie.Welliver@rva.gov

Applicant Type: Owner

Project Information

Project Type: Location, Character and Extent - Final Review

Project Narrative:

Purpose:

On behalf of the City of Richmond, the Department of Public Works requests a final location, character and extent review for permission to remove a 'Jefferson Davis Highway' marker from the intersection of Richmond Highway and Harwood Street. The marker is an asset of the Department of Public Works and is located in the City Right of Way.

Process Background:

In the 1930s, the United Daughters of the Confederacy erected several 'Jefferson Davis Highway' road markers along U.S. Route 1. On December 14, 2020 Richmond City Council unanimously adopted [ORD 2020-153](#), renaming the city portion of U.S. Route 1 from 'Jefferson Davis Highway' to 'Richmond Highway', citing that "the name Jefferson Davis Highway is not reflective of contemporary community culture". The City has removed monuments and statuary associated with the Confederacy and the removal of this marker is consistent with the continued intent of the City to do so.

Justification for this application for review is further rooted in the City Charter and the City Code. Code §30-100 outlines the purposes of the zoning ordinance. The ability to remove the marker will (3) Promote health, sanitation and general welfare, as well as (7) Facilitate the creation of a convenient, attractive and harmonious community. Charter § 2.04 of the Charter provides the City power to make regulations for the preservation of the morals of the city and its inhabitants. The representation of white supremacy and the legacy of slavery in prominent public places through these markers is of questionable morality.

Site Background:

This 'Jefferson Davis Highway' marker is located in the grass island of the public right of way, enclosed by Richmond Highway, Harwood Street, and Ingram Avenue. It is located in the 8th City Council District and is directly adjacent to the 6th Council District.

This area and the surrounding Richmond Highway streetscape will be subject to a proposed Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) [Richmond-Jefferson Davis highway \(Route 1\) Widening project](#). The extent of the VDOT project is from Richmond Highway's southern intersection with Chesterman Avenue to its intersection with Fairfax Avenue. VDOT held a [public meeting](#) for this project on September 25, 2018. Upon removal of the 'Jefferson Davis Highway' marker, site treatments by the City will be withheld in lieu of planned improvements resulting from the VDOT project.

Disassembly Considerations:

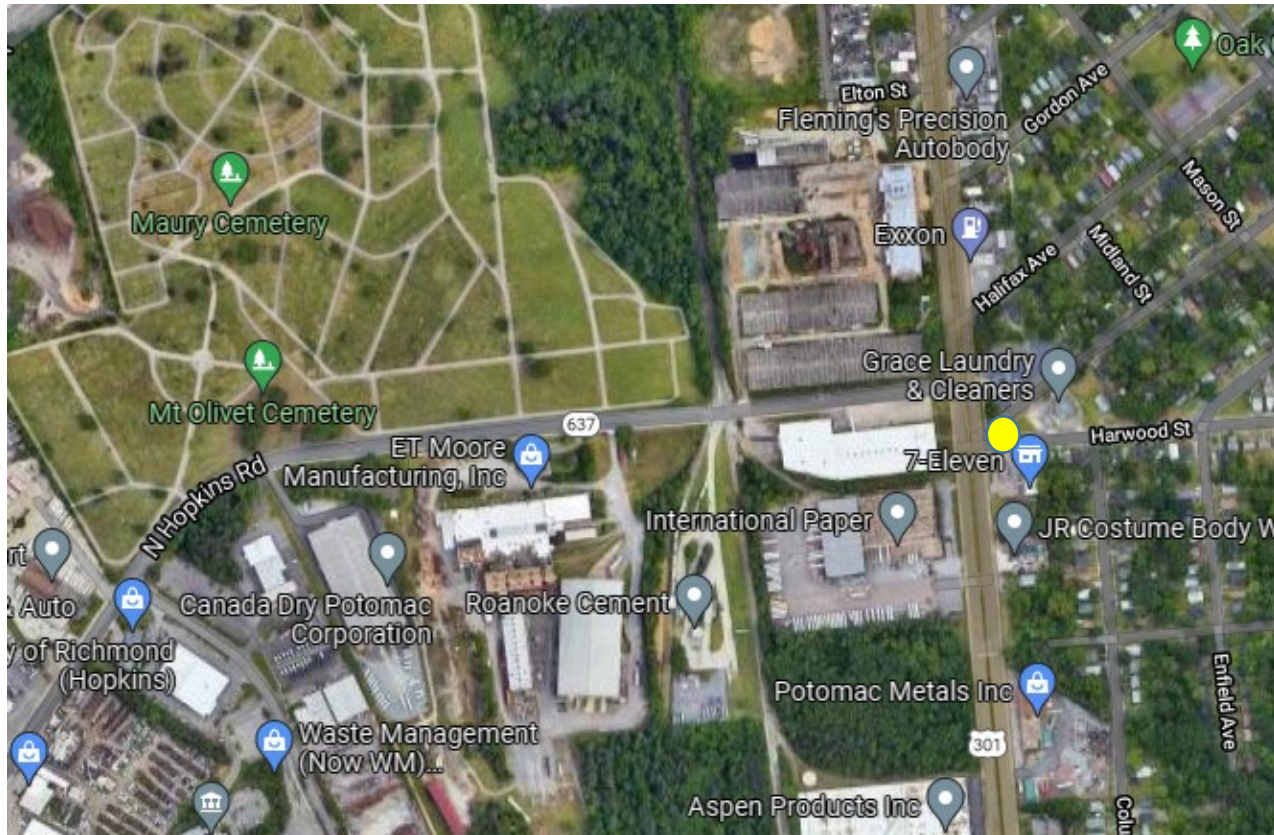
The stone marker will be carefully removed from its foundation utilizing a mortar chisel by trained masons as was the disassembly practice utilized for all recent Monument Avenue confederate monument pedestal foundations. The marker will be cataloged and stored in a secure site owned and controlled by the City of Richmond.

Attachments:

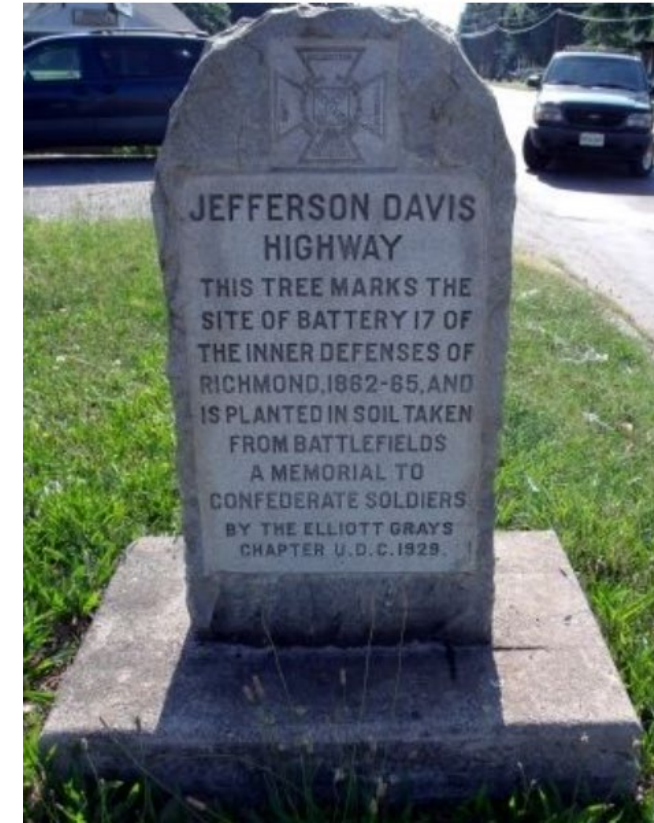
Attachment 1, Existing site conditions

Attachment 2, VDOT Brochure detailing planned project and site conditions

Marker 2 – Intersection of Ingram, Harwood and Richmond Highway



● Marker shown on maps with yellow dot



Get Involved

The public comment period will close 10 days after this public hearing (October 5, 2018). VDOT representatives will review and evaluate any information received as a result of the public hearing.

Project information shared here is available for review after the public hearing at VDOT's Richmond District Office located at 2430 Pine Forest Drive, Colonial Heights, VA 23834.

Comments can also be submitted in writing to Adam.Brooks@VDOT.Virginia.gov. Information must be postmarked, e-mailed or delivered to VDOT within 10 calendar days of today's meeting (October 5, 2018) in order to be included in the public hearing record.

Contact Information

Primary Contact: Adam Brooks	Project Manager	2430 Pine Forest Dr. Colonial Heights, VA 23834	804-524-6117
Pam Rodgers, SRWA	Right of Way	2430 Pine Forest Dr. Colonial Heights, VA 23834	804-524-6321
Ferrell Solomon	Civil Rights	2430 Pine Forest Dr. Colonial Heights, VA 23834	804-524-6091
Bob Spieldenner	Public Affairs	2430 Pine Forest Dr. Colonial Heights, VA 23834	804-524-6179



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Design Public Hearing

Route 1 (Jefferson Davis Highway) Widening City of Richmond

Tuesday, September 25, 2018, 5-6:30 p.m.
T.C. Boushall Middle School
3400 Hopkins Road
Richmond, VA 23234

Public Meeting

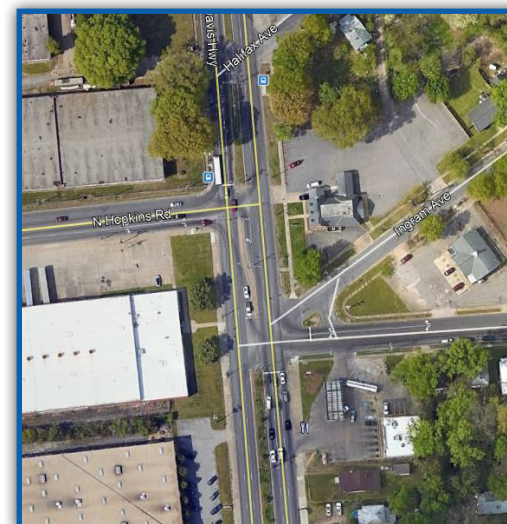
Welcome to the Virginia Department of Transportation's (VDOT) design public hearing on the proposed widening of Route 1 (Jefferson Davis Highway) in the City of Richmond.

This public hearing is held to provide an opportunity for citizens or organizations to give VDOT comments and/or suggestions on the proposed project. VDOT strives to ensure that all members of the community have the opportunity to participate in public decisions on

transportation projects and programs affecting them. VDOT representatives are present to discuss the project and answer your questions.

A comment sheet is included in the handouts for this meeting, and your input is encouraged. All oral and written comments received on this project will be included in a transcript for review by VDOT personnel, citizens and other interested parties.

Project Overview



Total Cost – \$11.6 million

Purpose – Improve access and operations

Location – From 0.008 miles south of Chesterman Avenue to 0.045 miles north of Fairfax Avenue

Total Length – 0.42 miles

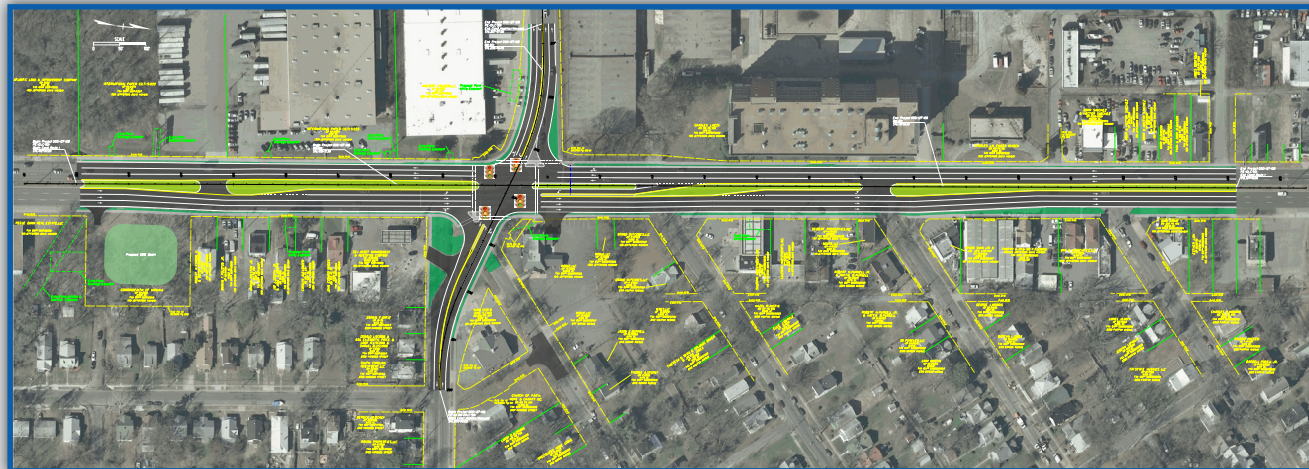
Improvements – Widen Route 1 and add turn lanes, signals, signage, drainage and sidewalks

Project Description

Proposed improvements include reconstruction and widening of Route 1 from Chesterman Avenue to Fairfax Avenue. Additional improvements include dedicated turn lanes for adjoining streets

to improve access management, operations, and drainage. The project will include new turn lanes, traffic signalization and sidewalks.

Project Graphic



Estimated Project Cost

Total cost:

\$11.6 million

Engineering of roadway plans:

\$3.3 million

Right of way acquisition and utility relocation:

\$4 million

Construction:

\$4.3 million

This cost is subject to change as design progresses.

Civil Rights

Representatives from VDOT are present to discuss the project and answer your questions. It is the responsibility of VDOT to ensure that all members of the community are afforded the opportunity to participate in public decisions on transportation systems and projects affecting them. VDOT ensures nondiscrimination in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

Right of Way

As the design is developed, VDOT will determine what right of way and easements will be needed to accommodate the construction. The right of way and easement information will be available at the public meeting. The property owners will be notified of the exact location of the right of way and easements needed during the right of way acquisition process and prior to construction.

Information about right of way purchase is discussed in VDOT's brochure, "Right of Way and Utilities: a Guide for Property Owners and Tenants." Copies of this brochure are available here from a VDOT right of way agent.

Anticipated Schedule

The following schedule is proposed:

Begin construction – Spring 2020

Estimated completion – Spring 2021

Environmental Review

VDOT's Richmond District Environmental Office has performed environmental reviews and coordination to obtain information about environmental resources in the project vicinity; to provide natural and historic resource agencies an opportunity to review and comment on the project during its development, and to identify opportunities for avoidance, minimization and mitigation of potential environmental impacts.

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) is applicable to this project and a NEPA document has been developed in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration and in accordance with federal guidelines. The NEPA document includes information from various technical reviews including those related to natural resources, water quality, threatened and endangered species, air quality, noise, etc. In compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 and 36 CFR Part 800, information concerning the potential effects of the proposed project on properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Place is also provided in the environmental documentation.

The project will continue to be coordinated with the appropriate federal, state and local agencies as part of the environmental review and approval processes required throughout project development and construction. All required environmental clearances and permits will be obtained prior to commencement of construction. Strict compliance with all environmental conditions and commitments resulting from regulatory approvals, and implementation of VDOT's specifications and standard best practices will protect the environment during construction.

The NEPA document and the results of other environmental studies are available at today's meeting. Representatives from VDOT's Environmental Section are available to discuss this information and to answer questions.