



Florida Department of Transportation

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Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309

JARED W. PERDUE, P.E.
SECRETARY

May 10, 2023

Dear Elected Official:

RE: Virtual Public Meeting and In-Person Construction Open House

State Road (SR) 656/17th Street East End of Bridge Rehabilitation and Improvements Project
in the City of Vero Beach
Indian River County, Florida
Financial Project ID Number: 446106-2-52-01

On behalf of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), you and your staff are invited to a Virtual Public Meeting and an In-Person Construction Open House to learn about the SR 656/17th Street East End of Bridge Rehabilitation and Improvements Project in the City of Vero Beach. The project will begin construction in May 2023.

The Virtual Public Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, May 23, 2023, 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.** Please use the following link to register: <https://bit.ly/3KQiosM>. Participants may also join the online meeting by dialing: 1 (415) 655-0060, Access code: 318-068-318. A brief presentation followed by questions and comments will be held from 5:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and again from 5:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Please note, questions and comments may be submitted via the online chat or with the raise hand feature for the project team to address directly.

The In-person Construction Open House is scheduled for **Tuesday, May 23, 2023, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.** at **Vero Beach City Hall, Council Chambers**, located at **1053 20th Place, Vero Beach, FL 32960**. This meeting will have an informal open house format with project representatives available to answer questions and provide assistance at any time during the meeting.

Notices are being sent to all property owners and tenants within the construction corridor and to other public officials, regulatory agencies, organizations, and individuals who expressed interest in the project. Attached is a copy of the project information flyer.

If you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the FDOT Treasure Coast Operations Construction Engineer, Chad Rucks, P.E., at (772) 429-4881 or via email at chad.rucks@dot.state.fl.us.

Sincerely,

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Gerry O'Reilly
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Gerry O'Reilly, P.E.
District Four Secretary

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Attachment: Project Information Flyer



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION INVITES YOU TO A VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING AND IN-PERSON CONSTRUCTION OPEN HOUSE

State Road (SR) 656/17th Street East End of Bridge Rehabilitation
and Improvements Project
Indian River County, Florida
Financial Project ID: 446106-2-52-01

SR 656/17th Street East End of Bridge Rehabilitation and Improvements Project

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will host a Virtual Public Meeting and In-person Construction Open House regarding upcoming improvements to the east end of the SR 656/17th Street bridge and SR 656/17th Street in the City of Vero Beach. Please see below for detailed meeting information.

Construction Cost: \$22.3 million

Construction Start: May 2023

Estimated Completion: Summer 2028

PROJECT IMPROVEMENTS

- Replacement of the eastern 400 feet of the existing bridge.
- Sealing the full length of the existing bridge deck surface.
- Upgrading signing and pavement markings.

TRAFFIC IMPACTS

- During Phase 1 of construction, the north side of the SR 656/17th Street bridge will be closed to traffic. One lane of traffic will be open in each direction on the south side of the bridge.
- During Phase 2 of construction, the south side of the SR 656/17th Street bridge will be closed to traffic. One lane of traffic will be open in each direction on the north side of the bridge.
- During portions of Phases 1 and 2 of construction, the SR 656/17th Street bridge will be periodically closed to traffic to facilitate bridge construction. Detours are as follows:
 - Westbound motorists will be detoured via SR A1A and SR 60/Beachland Boulevard to Indian River Boulevard.
 - Eastbound motorists will be detoured via Indian River Boulevard and SR-60/Beachland Boulevard to SR A1A.
- During Phase 3 of construction, single-lane closures are permitted at night, Sunday through Thursday from 9:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.
- The regulatory speed limit will be reduced from 45 miles per hour to 35 miles per hour for the duration of construction.
- Business and residential access will be maintained at all times.
- Additional information about lane closures, detours, and pedestrian impacts will be provided in the weekly traffic report distributed by FDOT and can be viewed using the following link:
https://d4fdot.com/tcfdot/closures_index.asp

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Philip Lyon, P.E. — Project Administrator
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Samantha Kayser — Community Outreach Specialist
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WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA

Twitter/Instagram: @MyFDOT_SEFL

Facebook: @MyFDOTSEFL

Project website: www.d4dot.com



JOIN US AT THE IN-PERSON CONSTRUCTION OPEN HOUSE AND VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING

Tuesday, May 23, 2023 (GoToWebinar)

Virtual Public Meeting — 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Please use the following link or QR code to register:

<https://bit.ly/3KQiosM>

You may also call in at:

+1 (415) 655-0060

Access code: 318-068-318



- Presentations will begin promptly at 5:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.
- Question and Answer sessions will follow each presentation.
- An unguided PowerPoint slideshow will play in between presentations if time allows.

In-Person Open House — 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Vero Beach City Hall
Council Chambers
1053 20th Place
Vero Beach, FL 32960

- Project personnel will be available to review the project scope and schedule, lane closures, and address questions one-on-one.
- No formal presentation will be made.



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MISSION STATEMENT

The Department will provide a safe transportation system that ensures the mobility of people and goods, enhances economic prosperity, and preserves the quality of our environment and communities.

Please contact the Community Outreach Specialist, Samantha Kayser, to be added to project email notification lists. If special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or translation services (free of charge) are needed, please contact the Project Manager, Marla Hewson, at least seven (7) days prior to the Virtual Public Meeting. Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status.