

CRAVEN THOMAS ROAD/ ROBERT HELMS ROAD STREETSCAPE

WORKSHOP #2





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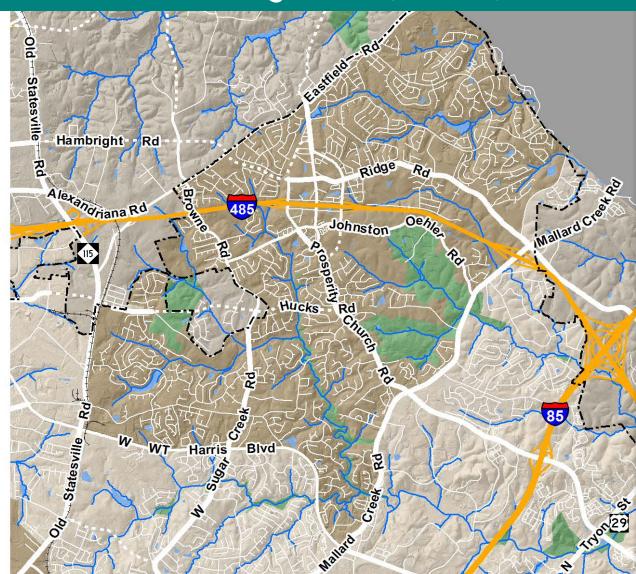
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Prosperity Village CNIP Area







CNIP Bond Funding Schedule









CNIP Project Categories



Community Identity and Beautification



Greenways, Trails and Open Space



Pedestrian Circulation



Transportation



Partnerships



CNIP Public Meeting Results

Most popular projects in this category:



- 1. Gateways on I-485 Ramps
- 2. Beautification of Craven Thomas & Robert Helms
- 3. Landmarks at Roundabouts

- The streetscape project was created by lumping all three into one.
- Currently in the planning phase. Project elements will be based on the budget.



Gateways on 1-485 Ramps





Beautification of Craven Thomas & Robert Helms





Landmarks at Roundabouts





Streetscape Elements

The project could include:

- Landscaping,
- Resting/gathering areas,
- Bus stop,
- Additional lighting,
- Widening of existing sidewalks and bicycle lanes, and
- Art work: potentially sculptures & decorative lighting along the frontage roads.



Robert Tully - Artworks:

- Commissioned to provide public art for the streetscape project.
- Produced public art works throughout the country.
- Media: stone, metal, light and landscape.
- Abstract and representational designs with a connection to the place and people.



Robert Tully – Sample Artworks:







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WHAT WE LEARNED

1st Public Workshop





1st Public Workshop - Results:

- 77 individuals attended the 1st public workshop
- Street/Pedestrian/Safety Lighting highest priority
- Village gateway was the second highest priority
- Keep landscape simple
- Some concern about maintenance because of current lack of maintenance



Streetscape Elements Table - Results:

Selected streetscape elements from highest to lowest:

- Street Trees
- Seating resting areas
- Pedestrian lighting
- Water feature
- Street lighting
- Landscaping
- Sidewalk upgrades





Public Art Table - Results:

Percentages of selected public art by category

- Functional art 33%
- Gateway/roundabout art 30.8%
- Light art 19%
- Sculptural art 16.6%

Public art locations

 In or around the roundabouts and edge of streetscape were the favorites





Special Events Table - Results:

Special events preference high to low

- Farmers market 58
- Street festival 47
- Food truck festival 32
- Arts and Crafts festival 27
- Cultural festival 25





Transportation Enhancements Table - Results:

The community was very interested in pedestrian safety, street trees and creating a pedestrian friendly environment. Two main focus include:

- Streetscape should be pedestrian oriented
- Most likely to use sidewalk and bike lane separated by barrier on the bridges

Top three enhancements that would encourage more use:

- Pedestrian safety
- Street trees
- Open green space





Streetscape Vision Table - Results:

The community was asked to write a word or phrase expressing their vision for the streetscape.

The top 6 words to appear:

- History
- Landscaping
- Trees
- Public art
- Farming
- Walkability





Survey - Results:

The survey results reflected the community charrette results on nearly every question, some of the top preferences were:

- Landscaping
- Street/pedestrian/safety lighting
- Functional art, gateway/roundabout art
- Street trees
- Seating resting areas
- Pedestrian oriented





WHAT WE WANT TO LEARN

2nd Public Charrette





Priority Elements

- Infrastructure improvements
- Lighting design
- Landscape beautification
- Greenway landmark
- Bicycle lane improvements
- Bus station
- Gathering space
- Sidewalk improvements











Project goals

- Safety
- Community connectivity
- Increase usage
- Multi-modal transportation
- Beautification





Public Art Input

- Patterns
- Objects
- Lighting







Workshop Activity

- Move through several stations with different "game style" concepts.
- As you move through the stations you will be asked to give your opinion on:
 - Public art
 - Lighting
 - Best utilization of the budget for:
 - Landscaping
 - Lighting
 - Bus stop
 - Fence
 - Sidewalk improvements





WHAT'S NEXT





Schedule:

- Final public meeting to present the conceptual plans will occur in December.
- Planning phase will be complete in January.
- Design phase will begin during the 1st quarter of 2018.



Budget:

- Currently set at \$2.5M.
- Final figure will be determined after the planning phase is complete.



Current CNIP Projects Underway

- Craven Thomas Road / Robert Helms Road
 Streetscape planning phase, \$2.5M
- DeArmon Road Complete Street Improvements planning phase, \$10M
- Prosperity Church Road Pedestrian Crossings planning phase, \$300k
- Jimmy Oehler Road Sidewalk construction phase, \$400k
- Ridge Road Extension planning phase, \$8.5M
- Ridge Road Sidewalk Gap design phase, \$300k total (CDOT/CNIP cost split. CNIP portion = \$75k)

TOTAL = \$22.5M



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