Richland County Council
Transportation Ad Hoc Committee
MINUTES
September 22, 2026 – 4:00 PM
Council Chambers
2020 Hampton Street, Columbia, SC 29204

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Paul Livingston, Chair, Derrek Pugh, Don Weaver, Tish Dozier Alleyne, and Jesica Mackey.

OTHERS PRESENT: Councilwoman Allison Terracio, Councilwoman Gretchen Cooper (online), Councilwoman Tyra Little, Jackie Hancock, Michael Maloney, Kyle Holsclaw, Michelle Onley, Patrick Wright, Anette Kirylo, Jennifer Wladischkin, Tamar Black, Kyndel Lawson, Ashiya Myers, Dexter Suite, Lori Thomas, Stacey Hamm, John Thompson, Phillip Harris, Brittany Hammond, and Angela Weathersby.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Mr. Livingston called the meeting to order at approximately 4:00 PM.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

   a. July 21, 2026 – Mr. Weaver moved to approve the minutes as distributed, seconded by Ms. Mackey.

      In Favor: Pugh, Livingston, Weaver, Alleyne, and Mackey

      The vote in favor was unanimous.

3. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA** – Ms. Mackey moved to adopt the agenda as published, seconded by Ms. Alleyne.

   In Favor: Pugh, Livingston, Weaver, Alleyne, and Mackey

   The vote in favor was unanimous.

4. **ITEMS FOR ACTION**

   a. 2012 Transportation Penny Right-of-Way Transfer – Harrison Road (S-93) Sidewalk – The Transportation Director, Michael Maloney, stated staff recommended to authorize the transfer of 0.1005 acres of Harrison Road (S-93) to the South Carolina Department of Transportation and the Grant of Deed for sidewalk improvements.

      Ms. Mackey moved to recommend approval of the right-of-way transfer of 0.1005 acres of Harrison Road (S-93), South Carolina, TMS #R11511-10-14, TMS #R11511-10-20, TMS #R11511-10-21, TMS #R11511-10-22, TMS #R11511-10-23, TMS #R11511-10-24, TMS

#R11511-10-25, TMS #R11511-10-12, TMS #R11511-08-05, TMS #R11515-13-29, and TMS #R11515-13-27, to the South Carolina Department of Transportation and the Grant of Deed for Sidewalk Improvements, seconded by Ms. Alleyne.

In Favor: Pugh, Livingston, Weaver, Alleyne, and Mackey

The vote in favor was unanimous.

b. 2012 Transportation Penny Right-of-Way Transfer – Polo Road (S-2214, S-2919) Sidewalk & Shared-Use Paths – Mr. Maloney stated staff recommended to authorize the transfer of 6.26 acres of Polo Road (S-2214 and S-2919) to the South Carolina Department of Transportation and the Grant of Deed for sidewalk improvements.

Ms. Alleyne moved to recommend approval of the right-of-way transfer of 6.26 acres of Polo Road (S-2214 and S-2919), South Carolina, TMS #R19801-01-03, TMS #R19801-01-07, TMS #R19810-01-02, TMS #R19810-01-08, TMS #R19811-01-02, TMS #R19815-01-01, and TMS #R19900-01-03, to the South Carolina Department of Transportation and the Grant of Deed for Sidewalk Improvements, seconded by Ms. Mackey.

Mr. Livingston inquired if this would leave the County responsible for any upkeep.

Mr. Maloney responded that this particular document is simply the transfer of what land was purchased to the SCDOT.

In Favor: Pugh, Livingston, Weaver, Alleyne, and Mackey.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

c. 2012 Transportation Penny Dirt Road Paving Package O – Final Account Reconciliation – Mr. Maloney stated staff recommended increasing the approved budget for Dirt Road Package O by $124,036.65, for a total budget of $1,687,062.50.

Ms. Alleyne moved to recommend approval of a budget increase for Dirt Road Package O from $1,563,025.95 to $1,687,062.60 to allow for the final payment of $124,036.65. Mr. Pugh seconded the motion.

Ms. Mackey inquired which pot of money the increase is coming from.

Mr. Maloney responded that the increase is needed because the contingency amount was exceeded.

In Favor: Pugh, Livingston, Weaver, Alleyne, and Mackey.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

d. 2012 Transportation Penny Crane Creek Greenway Award of Construction – Mr. Maloney stated staff recommended the award of the Crane Creek Project to Rakes Building & Maintenance Contractors, LLC. The base bid amount was $2.9M, and the alternate bid amount will add

$800,380, for a total bid of $3,729,212. The 15% will make the total amount $4,288,593.80. He noted that the SLBE goals were 15% for the base bid and 26% for the alternate bid.

Ms. Mackey moved to recommend awarding of the Crane Creek Greenway Project to Racks & Maintenance Contractors, LLC, the lowest responsive, responsible bidder. The total approved amount of $4,288,593.80 includes a 15% contingency. Ms. Alleyne seconded the motion.

In Favor: Pugh, Livingston, Weaver, Alleyne, and Mackey.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

5. **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

a. September 2026 – 2012 Transportation Penny Project Status Update

PROJECTS IN CONSTRUCTION:

- *Atlas Road Widening Phase 1A* – Construction 98% complete; Estimated completion date: September 2026; water and sewer relocation will be substantially complete by the September 14, 2026, deadline. Additional work will need to be completed in coordination with Phase 1B's road construction.

- *Blythewood Road Widening* – Construction 95% complete; Estimated completion date: September 2026. The project will be completed with the final items, including the signage and pavement markings.

- *Broad River Road Widening* – Construction 10% complete; Estimated completion date: February 2029. Clearing and grubbing are nearly complete, with the remaining grubbing to await utility relocation. Mid-Carolina Electric installed the six pole bases for the iron poles on August 28, 2026. Those concrete bases will cure for 30 days. There are about 50 direct-bury iron poles to install during the cure time. This pole system will allow underground utilities to be relocated to new overhead lines. Once in place, the contractor can begin relocating the water and sewer lines. Moving the utilities to the new poles will be completed by February 2027. Relocation of Salem Church Road is nearing completion. A recently completed utility relocation paving of the new section of road. This improvement will provide safety improvements by removing the poor alignment of Dutch Fork Rd. and Old Dutch Fork Rd. Concrete caps over the 36-inch and 54-inch waterlines have been installed.

- *Crane Creek Greenway* – Design 100% complete; Estimated completion date: January 2028. The Crane Creek Greenway project was re-advertised following revisions for the bridge components. The pre-bid conference has been conducted, and bidder questions are being received and addressed. The Land Disturbance Permit and the US Army Corps of Engineers Nationwide Permit verification remain in place, with all major regulatory approvals secured. Procurement activities are progressing through the bidding phase, with bid openings scheduled for mid-August and contract award anticipated following Council's August recess.

- *Decker/Woodfield NIP Hunt Club Rd.* – Design 100% complete; Estimated completion date: April 2027. A pre-construction meeting for the project was held in March 2026. Construction has not begun due to a conflict between the proposed drainage improvements and the City's existing 8-inch waterline, affecting approximately 1,100 linear feet. To avoid relocating the water, the sidewalk was shifted outward, and the shoulder was widened in select areas, while keeping the proposed improvements within the existing right-of-way. The final plans were submitted to SCDOT for review on August 3, 2026.

- *Dirt Road Package P* – Construction 70% complete; Estimated completion date: August 2026; Adams Scott Rd., Goodwin Way, and Spring Creek Rd. are in the final stage of completion.

- *Dirt Road Package Q* – Construction 43% complete; Estimated completion date: February 2027. The contract was awarded to Integrated Site Solutions. Construction has begun on Amick Ln. and Ravenbrook Rd.

- *Pineview Road Widening* – Design 100% complete; Estimated completion date: September 2028. The contract has been awarded to Palmetto Corp. KCI Technologies has been awarded the CEI contract.

- *Percival Road Sidewalk* – Construction 100% complete.

- *Resurfacing Package U* – Construction 100% complete.

- *Resurfacing Package V* – Design 100% complete. Council approved the award of the Resurfacing Package V contract to the lowest bidder on June 2, 2026. The Notice to Proceed was issued, and the pre-construction meeting was held on July 21, 2026. The contractor and the County reviewed contract requirements, project documentation procedures, utility coordination, traffic control requirements, public notification procedures, and initial construction sequencing. The contractor is currently preparing for field operations, with the Date of Commencement established as August 10, 2026. Initial roadway construction is anticipated to begin with Miles Road, Village Farm Road, Sherbrook Drive, Lancelot Lane, Winterbury Lane, and Office Park Road. The County continues to coordinate with the contractor regarding roadway-specific conditions, construction sequencing, and project startup requirements.

- *Saluda Riverwalk Greenway Phase 2* – Construction 90% complete; Estimated completion date: July 2027. Construction on the concrete pathway is complete. Construction of the boardwalk is complete, except for the installation of a roof under the railroad bridge. The construction deadline has been extended to July 2027 to allow the River Alliance to construct its bridge over the Broad River. Once in place, Transportation will complete the remaining 25-foot section of the raised boardwalk.

- *Sunset Drive Sidewalk* – Construction 100% complete. A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held on November 12, 2025, to commemorate substantial completion. Final inspection was held on May 12, 2026, and a punch list was subsequently issued and has now been fully addressed.

- *Trenholm Acres/Newcastle NIP* – Design 100% complete; Estimated completion date: September 2028. The contract has been awarded to McClam and Associates. A groundbreaking ceremony was held on August 13, 2026, at 6300 Shakespeare Rd.

PROJECTS IN RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION

- *Atlas Road Widening Phase 2* – Design 99% complete; Estimated completion date: November 2028. Transportation met with SCDOT in May to discuss leaving Bluff Road's current width adjacent to Bluff Road to provide auto and pedestrian traffic improvements. Transportation is updating the Bluff Road intersection per SCDOT comments.

- *Bluff Road Improvement Phase 2* – Design 98% complete; Estimated completion date: October 2027. The project is in the right-of-way phase. Once all right-of-ways have been secured, construction will begin.

- *Blythewood Road Area Improvements* – Design 95% complete; Estimated completion date: August 2028. Efforts are currently concentrated on completing the remaining right-of-way acquisitions. Once the acquisitions are finalized, the project will be ready to proceed into construction.

- *Broad River Road Corridor NIP* – Design 95% complete; Estimated completion date: July 2028. The Concept Report was completed and received Council approval in April and May 2019, respectively. Preliminary right-of-way plans were submitted to the SCDOT in April 2024, with an Authorization to Proceed (ATP) for right-of-way activities issued in September 2024. The project is currently under SCDOT review. Right-of-way acquisition efforts are ongoing. Upon receipt of SCDOT's approval and completion of right-of-way acquisitions, the project will be cleared for construction, with no additional administrative or design milestones anticipated before transition.

- *Clemson/Sparkleberry Lane Intersection* – Design 85% complete; Estimated completion date: December 2029. The construction plans are currently 68% complete. Right-of-way acquisition is in the early stages, with about 4% complete. The project includes 24 tracts: 18 right-of-way acquisitions and 6 permanent or temporary easements. So far, one (1) tract has been successfully secured as part of the acquisition process.

- *Decker/Woodfield NIP Brookfield Rd.* – Design 90% complete; Estimated completion date: December 2028. Currently in the right-of-way acquisition phase, the Brookfield Road project has identified several parcels requiring condemnation. The project team is working to secure all necessary acquisitions while maintaining full compliance with legal and regulatory standards. With acquisition activities complete, the project will have satisfied all remaining prerequisites and will be authorized to proceed to construction, as no substantive design or permitting items remain outstanding.

- *Gills Creek Greenway* – Design 75% complete; Estimated completion date: June 2028. The project remains in technical design as the project team continues evaluating improvements near Crowson Rd. and the existing transit stop. During the reporting period, the consultant completed and submitted the additional survey and cross-section information requested by the County. Based on the survey results and design review, the

consultant is developing an engineered concept to evaluate relocating the existing bus shelter behind the curb on the Egg Roll Chen property. The evaluation includes grading, retaining wall requirements, utility conflicts, ADA accessibility, drainage considerations, and other site constraints. Coordination with the City of Columbia is ongoing, and the County has provided a conceptual retaining wall and bus shelter layout for review by the City's Engineering and Public Works staff. Utility coordination continues, and right-of-way needs will be reassessed as design decisions are finalized.

- *Lower Richland Blvd Widening* – Design 95% complete; Estimated completion date: February 2028. Geotechnical analysis for a high school entrance retaining wall and NOI permitting are underway. Final plans will be submitted to the County and SCDOT in September 2026. Right-of-Way: 9 of 12 required tracts are secured. No utility easements are anticipated. Construction bids are expected to be advertised in late 2026 following final reviews.

- *Polo Road Widening* – Design 70% complete; Estimated completion date: December 2030. The Authorization to Proceed for Right-of-Way acquisition was received on June 10, 2026, and the ROW acquisition process is currently underway. All title work has been completed, and the ROW team is contacting property owners to obtain permissions and schedule acquisition meetings. The 30% utility design is in progress. A Public Information Meeting (PIM) was held on May 26, 2026, with the public comment period remaining open until June 12, 2026. The design team has appropriately reviewed and addressed all comments received, consistent with the project's scope.

- *SERN* – Design 98% complete; Estimated completion date: June 2027. The updated plan was submitted to the SCDOT for review on May 26, 2026. As a part of this effort, the feasibility of relocating the storm drain pipes closer to the existing right-of-way is being evaluated. The next step is to proceed with the pre-bid review.

- *Shop Road Widening* – Design 80% complete. Estimated completion date: December 2029. Land acquisition is moving forward. However, 8 tracts are temporarily on hold to resolve specific design and drainage issues. Environmental reviews are 90% complete, though a new commercial or residential development in the area is being evaluated for drainage and environmental impacts. Utility coordination is 65% complete, and utility design is 35% complete. Engineers are finalizing traffic control, signing, pavement markings, and drainage updates. The team is assessing how these drainage revisions will impact the overall project schedule.

- *Smith Rocky Branch* – Design 85% complete; Estimated completion date: February 2028. Appraisal reviews have been finalized, and updated offers are moving forward. Documentation is being prepared to advance select properties through condemnation where necessary. Property ownership questions near the railroad are also being resolved. The design team successfully coordinated with property owners regarding Dominion Energy utility access. Ongoing communication with CSX Railroad continues to support overall project delivery alignment. Next Steps: ROW Acquisition, design coordination, and contract administration will continue progressing to support the upcoming phases of project construction.

- *Spears Creek Church Road Widening* – Design 80% complete; Estimated completion date: December 2030. The project plans are being updated to include 5-foot sidewalks on both sides of the roadway to improve pedestrian accessibility and safety. The design plans are being revised to incorporate the new sidewalk and associated drainage modifications, with anticipated completion by November 2026. The next steps include continuing work on the final utility reports, no-cost letters, and utility relocation plans, with the Final Utility Report expected by January 2027. ROW acquisition is about 63% complete, consisting of 52 tracts, including 47 ROW acquisitions and 3 permanent or temporary easements. To date, 33 tracts have been successfully secured.

PROGRAM PLANNING: The Transportation Penny Advisory Committee (TPAC) reviewed the proposed operating procedures for the Pedestrian Safety & Access project category. The operating procedure will continue to fund pedestrian safety projects, with 75% of the available budget, and reserve 25% for pedestrian access projects.

The Transportation Department is hiring for the positions that became available after the budget approval. The additional team members will be collecting data on programs like pedestrian safety and access, dirt road paving, and resurfacing. This will round out the projects to be launched using the remaining funds of the 2012 referendum and the continuation into the upcoming funds in the 2024 referendum.

Mr. Maloney noted that the Pineview Road Widening Project Groundbreaking Ceremony is scheduled for October 15, 2026, 11:00 AM-12 Noon, at 1931 Pineview Road. In addition, the Blythewood Road Widening Ribbon-Cutting is on November 16, 2026, 11:00 AM-12 Noon, at 408 Blythewood Road.

Mr. Livingston requested that staff present a status update on planning for the 2024 Penny referendum.

Ms. Alleyne requested an update on the County's abandoned roads.

6. **ADJOURNMENT** – Mr. Pugh moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Weaver.

In Favor: Pugh, Livingston, Weaver, Alleyne, and Mackey.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:25 PM.

RICHLAND COUNTY ADMINISTRATION
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Transportation Agenda Briefing

Prepared by:	Michael Maloney, PE	**Title**:	Director
Department:	Transportation	**Division:**	
Date Prepared:	August 24, 2026	**Meeting Date:**	September 22, 2026
Legal Review	Patrick Wright via email	**Date:**	September 15, 2026
Budget Review	Brittany Hammond via email	**Date:**	September 10, 2026
Finance Review	Stacey Hamm via email	**Date:**	September 10, 2026
Approved for consideration:	Assistant County Administrator	John M. Thompson, Ph.D., MBA, CPM, SCCEM	
Meeting/Committee	Transportation Ad Hoc		
Subject	Dirt Road Paving Package O - Final Account Reconciliation		

RECOMMENDED/REQUESTED ACTION:

Staff recommends increasing the approved budget for Dirt Road Package O from $1,563,025.95 to $1,687,062.60, for the final payment in the amount of $124,036.65.

Request for Council Reconsideration: ☐ Yes

FIDUCIARY:

Are funds allocated in the department's current fiscal year budget?	☒	Yes	☐	No
If not, is a budget amendment necessary?	☐	Yes	☐	No

ADDITIONAL FISCAL/BUDGETARY MATTERS TO CONSIDER:

There is adequate budget to make final payment for project closeout.

Applicable fund, cost center, and spend category:

Fund: 1332 (Transportation Tax Roadways)
Cost Center: 9950 (Capital Projects)
Spend Category: Construction
Project: Dirt Roads

OFFICE OF PROCUREMENT & CONTRACTING FEEDBACK:

There are no comments from Procurement.

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FEEDBACK/POSSIBLE AREA(S) OF LEGAL EXPOSURE:

There are no legal concerns regarding this matter.

REGULATORY COMPLIANCE:

None applicable

TRANSPORTATION PROJECT IMPACT:

Project Referendum:	2012 Transportation Penny		
Project Name:	Dirt Rd Paving Package O		
From: Nathan Ridge Lane		To:	Sara Mathews Road
Project Category:	Dirt Road		
Project Services:	Construction		
Project Type (2024 Referendum Only)	Not applicable		

Transportation Project Budgetary Impact:

Total Project Budget:	$1,563,025.95
Requested Amount:	$124,036.65
Remaining Project Budget:	$1,687,062.60

MOTION OF ORIGIN:

There is no associated Council motion of origin.

STRATEGIC & GENERATIVE DISCUSSION:

This project includes Sara Matthews Road, Howard Coogler Road, Nathan Ridge Trail, and Jackson Road. The contingencies cover added pavement extension, pavement thickness, and added grading to resolve the road profile and surrounding ditches. The project is complete and being reconciled with the actual quantities installed that overall were above the original approved amount.

ASSOCIATED STRATEGIC GOAL, OBJECTIVE, AND INITIATIVE:

Goal: Plan for Growth through Inclusive and Equitable Infrastructure

Objective: Establish plans and success metrics that allow for smart growth

Initiative: Develop Capital Plan of Prioritized Projects

SUMMATIVE OVERALL COUNTY IMPACT:

- This project is listed for funding and completion in the 2012 referendum
- These projects improve the road and drainage system for the residents
- The requested action is needed to make the necessary improvements to provide road improvements
- There is strong public support for the completion of the project
- There is a continued focus on providing Prorata to equitably use the funds around the County

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Transportation Agenda Briefing

Prepared by:	Michael Maloney, PE	**Title:**	Director
Department:	Transportation	**Division:**	
Date Prepared:	September 1, 2026	**Meeting Date:**	September 22, 2026
Legal Review	Patrick Wright via email	**Date:**	September 3, 2026
Budget Review	Brittany Hammond via email	**Date:**	September 15, 2026
Finance Review	Stacey Hamm via email	**Date:**	September 15, 2026
Approved for consideration:	Assistant County Administrator	John M. Thompson, Ph.D., MBA, CPM, SCCEM	
Meeting/Committee	Transportation Ad Hoc		
Subject	Crane Creek Greenway Award of Construction		

RECOMMENDED/REQUESTED ACTION:

Staff recommends the award of the Crane Creek Greenway Project to Rakes Building & Maintenance Contractors, LLC, the lowest price responsive, and responsible bidder. The base bid amount is $2,928,832.00, and the alternate bid received will add $800,380.00, for a total bid of $3,729,212.00. A 15% contingency will make the total approved amount $4,288,593.80.

Request for Council Reconsideration: ☒ Yes

FIDUCIARY:

Are funds allocated in the department's current fiscal year budget?	☒	Yes	☐	No
If not, is a budget amendment necessary?	☐	Yes	☐	No

ADDITIONAL FISCAL/BUDGETARY MATTERS TO CONSIDER:

The available project budget is $4,470,053, providing ample budget for the award of the base bid, and alternate bid.

Applicable fund, cost center, and spend category:

Fund: 1333 (Transportation Tax Greenways)
Cost Center: 9950 (Capital Projects)
Spend Category: Construction
Project: Crane Creek Greenway

OFFICE OF PROCUREMENT & CONTRACTING FEEDBACK:

Request for Bids RC-811-B-26 was issued in July, 2026. There were two bid submissions received on August 14, 2026. The apparent lowest bidder did not meet the SLBE goal of 15% for the base bid, and 26% for the alternate, and was found to be non-responsive. The lowest, responsive, responsible bidder is Rakes Building & Maintenance Contractors.

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FEEDBACK/POSSIBLE AREA(S) OF LEGAL EXPOSURE:

There are no concerns regarding this matter.

REGULATORY COMPLIANCE:

Local Procurement Ordinance

TRANSPORTATION PROJECT IMPACT:

Project Referendum:	2012 Transportation Penny		
Project Name:	Crane Creek Greenway Project		
From: Columbia Canal Head Gate		To:	Crane Creek
Project Category:	Greenway		
Project Services:	Construction		
Project Type (2024 Referendum Only)	Not applicable		

Transportation Project Budgetary Impact:

Total Project Budget:	$4,470,053
Requested Amount:	$4,228,593.80 (base bid, alternate bid, and contingency)
Remaining Project Budget:	$241,459.20

MOTION OF ORIGIN:

There is no associated Council motion of origin.

STRATEGIC & GENERATIVE DISCUSSION:

The Crane Creek Greenway base bid project extends 3,400 linear feet. It includes concrete at-grade trail pavement, a 60-foot span bridge over the Smith Branch Creek, and boardwalk over minor tributaries.

The alternate bid adds an 80-foot span bridge over the Crane Creek and about 450 linear feet of project extension. The alternate bid completes the project on the north side of the Crane Creek making future extensions more feasible to the Interstate 20 underpass and to destinations to the north.

Staff requests the use of Penny funding and for County Council to award the construction of the project. Staff has provided the base bid and the alternate bid pricing and a 15% contingency to complete the work.

The award recommendation includes the contractor meeting a 15% SLBE goal.

ASSOCIATED STRATEGIC GOAL, OBJECTIVE, AND INITIATIVE:

Goal: Plan for Growth through Inclusive and Equitable Infrastructure

Objective: Establish plans and success metrics that allow for smart growth

Initiative: Develop Capital Plan of Prioritized Projects

SUMMATIVE OVERALL COUNTY IMPACT:

- This project is listed for funding and completion in the 2012 referendum
- The project is part of master plan for adding greenway trail improvements
- The requested action is needed to make the necessary improvements to provide multi-modal transportation and recreation available to the citizens and visitors.

- There was public support for the completion of the project
- The project extends from the Three Rivers Greenway and trailhead parking area.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS FOR CONSIDERATION:

The Project is located in County Council District 4.

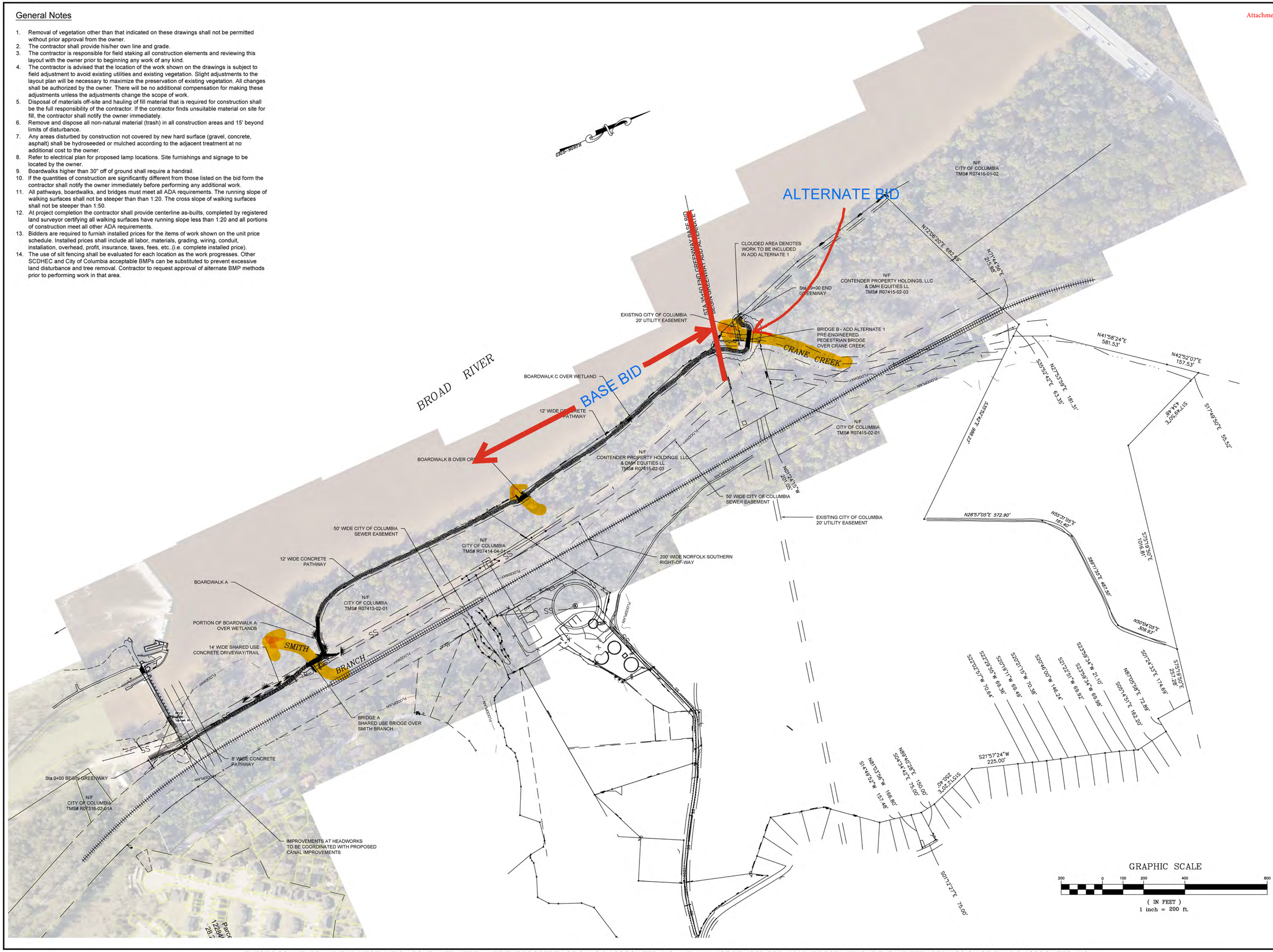
ATTACHMENTS:

1. Project Map
2. Letter of Recommendation, bid results

Attachment 1

General Notes

1. Removal of vegetation other than that indicated on these drawings shall not be permitted without prior approval from the owner.
2. The contractor shall provide his/her own line and grade.
3. The contractor is responsible for field staking all construction elements and reviewing this layout with the owner prior to beginning any work of any kind.
4. The contractor is advised that the location of the work shown on the drawings is subject to field adjustment to avoid existing utilities and existing vegetation. Slight adjustments to the layout plan will be necessary to maximize the preservation of existing vegetation. All changes shall be authorized by the owner. There will be no additional compensation for making these adjustments unless the adjustments change the scope of work.
5. Disposal of materials off-site and hauling of fill material that is required for construction shall be the full responsibility of the contractor. If the contractor finds unsuitable material on site for fill, the contractor shall notify the owner immediately.
6. Remove and dispose all non-natural material (trash) in all construction areas and 15' beyond limits of disturbance.
7. Any areas disturbed by construction not covered by new hard surface (gravel, concrete, asphalt) shall be hydroseeded or mulched according to the adjacent treatment at no additional cost to the owner.
8. Refer to electrical plan for proposed lamp locations. Site furnishings and signage to be located by the owner.
9. Boardwalks higher than 30" off of ground shall require a handrail.
10. If the quantities of construction are significantly different from those listed on the bid form the contractor shall notify the owner immediately before performing any additional work.
11. All pathways, boardwalks, and bridges must meet all ADA requirements. The running slope of walking surfaces shall not be steeper than than 1:20. The cross slope of walking surfaces shall not be steeper than 1:50.
12. At project completion the contractor shall provide centerline as-builts, completed by registered land surveyor certifying all walking surfaces have running slope less than 1:20 and all portions of construction meet all other ADA requirements.
13. Bidders are required to furnish installed prices for the items of work shown on the unit price schedule. Installed prices shall include all labor, materials, grading, wiring, conduit, installation, overhead, profit, insurance, taxes, fees, etc..(i.e. complete installed price).
14. The use of silt fencing shall be evaluated for each location as the work progresses. Other SCDHEC and City of Columbia acceptable BMPs can be substituted to prevent excessive land disturbance and tree removal. Contractor to request approval of alternate BMP methods prior to performing work in that area.



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09/12/2023

Greenway Layout
Crane Creek Greenway Section B
Prepared for:
Richland County Transportation
Richland County, South Carolina

Drawn: TKS Checked: AB
Revised:
10/31/2024 Revised per City of Columbia comments
01/23/2025 Revised per City of Columbia comments
File: 587942CR2.dwg Project No.:

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Attachment 2

August 30, 2026

To: Mr. Michael Maloney, Director of Transportation
From: Mr. Deramus Forrester, Contract Analyst
CC: Ms. Jennifer Wladischkin, Director of Procurement,
Dr. Ali Eliadorani, Project Manager
Ms. Pamela Green, Director of OSBO

Re: RC-811-B-26 Re-advertisement Crane Creek Greenway Project

A bid opening was conducted at 2:00 PM on Tuesday, August 14, 2026, via the County's online procurement portal. Procurement has reviewed the two (2) submitted bids for the Re-advertisement Crane Creek Greenway submitted via OpenGov and found no discrepancies. The bids received were as follows:

Re-advertisement Crane Creek Greenway Project - BID RESULTS SUMMARY	
BIDDER	SUBMITTED BID
Rakes Building and Maintenance Contractors LLC	$2,928,832.00
JHC Corporation	$3,359,118.00

Further review shows that Rakes Building & Maintenance Contractors, LLC is duly licensed in South Carolina to perform this work. A copy of their license is attached.

A Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference was held at 10:00 AM on July 28, 2026, during which attendees gained information and bidding directives for the project. See the attached sign-in log.

Attached is a final bid tab sheet for your reference, which indicates Rakes Building & Maintenance Contractors, LLC bid is 36.3% higher than the Engineer's Estimate of $1,865,896.00 dated May 8, 2026. There was SLBE goal of 15% established for this project, and Rakes Building & Maintenance Contractors, LLC has committed to the SLBE goal.

It is Procurement's recommendation that a contract be awarded to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Rakes Building & Maintenance Contractors, LLC.

Deramus Forrester
Contract Analyst

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Board: Commercial Contractors

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License number: 112859
License type: GENERAL CONTRACTOR
Status: ACTIVE
Expiration: 10/31/2028
First Issuance Date: 11/17/2006
Classification:
Building-BD5
Marine-MR5
Asphalt Paving-AP5
Bridges-BR5
Concrete-CT5
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Highway-HY5
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EVALUATION TABULATION

RFB No. RC-811-B-26

Re-advertisement Crane Creek Greenway Project

RESPONSE DEADLINE: August 14, 2026 at 2:00 pm

Report Generated: Tuesday, September 1, 2026

SELECTED VENDOR TOTALS

Vendor	Total
Rakes Building & Maintenance Contractors, LLC	$2,928,832.00
JHC Corporation	$3,359,118.00

CRANE CREEK GREENWAY

RICHLAND COUNTY GOVERNMENT OFFICE OF PROCUREMENT AND CONTRACTING
2020 HAMPTON STREET, SUITE 3064, COLUMBIA, SC 29204-1002

Project #: RC-811-B-26	**Project Name: Re-advertisement Crane Creek Greenway**	**Date: 7/28/2026**
		Time: 10 am

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Transportation Penny Referendum Projects Update

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Date Prepared:	August 13, 2026	**Meeting Date:**	September 22, 2026
Approved for Consideration:	Assistant County Administrator	John M. Thompson, Ph.D., MBA, CPM, SCCEM	
Committee/Meeting:	Transportation Ad Hoc		

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY (NARRATIVE STATUS):

The Transportation Department continues to move projects through design to construction, and to completion.

There are fifteen projects in the construction phase, thirteen projects in the right-of-way phase (beyond 60% design with active property acquisition), and five projects in the design phase (10% to 60% design).

PROJECTS IN CONSTRUCTION:

PROJECT	Atlas Road Widening Phase 1A
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Road Widening
PERCENT COMPLETE	Construction 98%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	September 2026
NOTES	Water and sewer relocation will be substantially complete by the September 14, 2026, deadline. Additional work under Phase 1A will need to be completed in coordination with Phase 1B's road construction.

PROJECT	Atlas Road Widening Phase 1B
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Road Widening
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 100% Construction 0%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	July 2028
NOTES	Pre-Construction Meeting held on June 2, 2026. Notice to Proceed issued for July 13, 2026. McClam Construction's Phase 1A and Phase 1B project managers are attending weekly coordination meetings to ensure completion of Phase 1A work are in place to allow Phase 1B work to be underway. Coordination underway with CSX and Norfolk Southern railroads to manage construction around their right-of-ways. Transportation in discussions with CSX to redesign stormwater pond to reduce or eliminate runoff under existing railroad crossline stormwater pipe.

PROJECT	Blythewood Road Widening
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Road Widening
PERCENT COMPLETE	Construction 95%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	September 2026
NOTES	The project will be completed with the final items including the signage and pavement markings.

PROJECT	Broad River Road Widening
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Road Widening
PERCENT COMPLETE	Construction 10%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	February 2029
NOTES	Clearing and Grubbing is nearly complete with the remaining grubbing to await utility relocation. Mid Carolina Electric has installed the six pole bases for the iron poles on August 28, 2026. Those concrete bases will cure for 30 days. There are about 50 direct bury iron poles to install during the cure time of the six pole bases. This pole system will allow underground utilities to relocate to new overhead lines. Once in place, contractor can start with relocation of water and sewer lines. Moving the utilities to the new poles will be completed by February 2027. However, water and sewer relocations can start is sections as overhead work is completed. Relocation of Salem Church Road is nearing completion. A utility relocation that was completed recently will allow for the contractor to complete the paving of the new section of road. This improvement will provide safety improvements by removing the poor alignment of Dutch Fork Rd and Old Dutch Fork Rd. Concrete caps over the 36-inch and 54-inch waterlines have been installed. Contractor to request final inspection shortly.

PROJECT	Crane Creek Greenway
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Greenway
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 100% Construction 0%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	January 2028
NOTES	The Crane Creek Greenway project was re-advertised through Procurement following revisions to incorporate the required South Carolina contractor licensing provisions for the bridge components. The pre-bid conference has been conducted, and bidder questions are being received and addressed through the official OpenGov process. Both the Land Disturbance Permit and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Nationwide Permit verification (SAC-2023-01427) remain in place, with all major regulatory approvals secured. Procurement activities are progressing through the bidding phase, with bid opening scheduled for mid-August and contract award anticipated following the County Council's August recess.

PROJECT	Decker/Woodfield NIP Hunt Club Rd
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Sidewalk
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 100% Construction 0%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	April 2027
NOTES	A pre-construction meeting for the project was held on March 11, 2026. Construction has not yet begun due to a conflict between the proposed drainage improvements and the City's existing 8-inch waterline, affecting approximately 1,100 linear feet. To avoid relocating the waterline, the sidewalk was shifted outward, and the shoulder was widened in select areas while keeping all proposed improvements within the existing right-of-way. The final plans were submitted to SCDOT for review on August 3, 2026.

PROJECT	Dirt Road Paving Package P
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Dirt Road
PERCENT COMPLETE	Construction 70%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	August 2026
NOTES	Adams Scott Rd, Goodwin Way, and Spring Creek Rd is in the final stage of completion.

PROJECT	Dirt Road Paving Package Q
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Dirt Road
PERCENT COMPLETE	Construction 43%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	February 2027
NOTES	The contract has been awarded to Integrated Site Solutions. Construction has begun on Amick Ln. and Ravenbrook Rd.

PROJECT	Pineview Road Widening
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Road Widening
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 100% Construction 0%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	September 2028
NOTES	The contract has been awarded to Palmetto Corp. KCI Technologies has been awarded the contract for CE&I.

PROJECT	Percival Road Sidewalk
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Sidewalk
PERCENT COMPLETE	Construction 100%, Closeout
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	May 2026
NOTES	The Percival Road project has achieved substantial completion, with the contractor having satisfied all contract line items, including the full scope of work and all required deliverables. A final inspection was conducted on March 24, 2026, to assess construction quality and completeness. Subsequently, a punch list was generated to document minor deficiencies and remaining corrective items. The contractor has now addressed all punch list items, and the project will be recommended for final acceptance and formal closeout.

PROJECT	Resurfacing Package U
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Resurfacing
PERCENT COMPLETE	Construction 100%, Closeout
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	May 2026
NOTES	The package is 100% substantial complete. A final walk-through is being scheduled for project closeout.

PROJECT	Resurfacing Package V
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Resurfacing
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 100% Construction 0%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	
NOTES	County Council approved award of the Resurfacing Package V contract to the lowest bidder on June 2, 2026. The Notice to Proceed (NTP) was issued, and the pre-construction meeting was held on July 21, 2026. The Contractor and County reviewed contract requirements, project documentation procedures, utility coordination, traffic control requirements, public notification procedures, and initial construction sequencing. The Contractor is currently preparing for field operations, with the Date of Commencement established as August 10, 2026. Initial roadway construction is anticipated to begin with Miles Road, Village Farm Road, Sherbrook Drive, Lancelot Lane, Winterbury Lane, and Office Park Road. The County continues to coordinate with the Contractor regarding roadway-specific conditions, construction sequencing, and project startup requirements.

PROJECT	Saluda Riverwalk Greenway Phase 2
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Greenway
PERCENT COMPLETE	Construction 90%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	July 2027
NOTES	Construction of the concrete pathway completed. Construction of the boardwalk is completed with exception of installation of a roof under the railroad bridge. Remaining work includes installation of the roof over boardwalk under CSX Railroad. Construction deadline has been extended to July 3, 2027, to allow The River Alliance to construct their bridge over the Broad River. Once in place, Transportation will complete the remaining 25-foot section of raised boardwalk.

PROJECT	Sunset Drive Sidewalk
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Sidewalk
PERCENT COMPLETE	Construction 100%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	May 2026
NOTES	The Sunset Drive project is now complete, with a ribbon-cutting ceremony held on November 12, 2025, to commemorate substantial completion. Final construction activities included roadway leveling to ensure proper surface elevation and drainage, followed by placement of the final asphalt driving surface, which concluded all construction operations. A final inspection was conducted on May 12, and a punch list was subsequently issued and has now been fully addressed. The remaining project activity is to secure final acceptance from SCDOT.

PROJECT	Trenholm Acres/Newcastle NIP
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Sidewalk
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 100% Construction 0%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	September 2028
NOTES	The contract has been awarded to McClam and Associates. We held a groundbreaking ceremony on August 13, 2026 at 10AM held at 6300 Shakespeare Rd.

PROJECTS IN RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION:

PROJECT	Atlas Road Widening Phase 2
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Road Widening
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 99%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	November 2028
NOTES	Transportation met with SCDOT in May to discuss leaving Atlas Road's current width adjacent to Bluff Road to provide auto and pedestrian traffic improvements. Transportation is updating Bluff Road intersection per SCDOT comments.

PROJECT	Bluff Road Improvement Phase 2
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Road Widening
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 98%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	October 2027
NOTES	The project is in the ROW phase. ATP approved for ROW. A hired specialist is continuing to acquire ROW. Once we have secured all right of way the transition to construction will begin.

PROJECT	Blythewood Road Area Improvements
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Road Widening
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 95%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	August 2028
NOTES	With all necessary permits now secured, the project has reached a pivotal milestone. Efforts are currently concentrated on completing the remaining right-of-way acquisitions—the last administrative hurdle before construction can begin. Once these acquisitions are finalized, the project will have cleared all requirements and will be fully authorized to proceed into construction.

PROJECT	Broad River Road Corridor NIP
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Sidewalk
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 95%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	July 2028
NOTES	The Concept Report for the Broad River Corridor was completed and received County Council approval in April and May 2019, respectively. Preliminary right-of-way plans were submitted to the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) in April 2024, with an Authorization to Proceed (ATP) for right-of-way activities issued in September 2024. The project is currently under SCDOT review, awaiting agency comments and formal approval of the construction plans. Right-of-way acquisition efforts are ongoing. Upon receipt of SCDOT approval and completion of all right-of-way acquisitions, the project will be cleared for construction, with no additional administrative or design milestones anticipated prior to that transition.

PROJECT	Clemson/Sparkleberry Lane Intersection
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Intersection
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 85%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	December 2029
NOTES	The construction plans for the project are currently 68% complete. Right of way acquisition is in the early stages, with about 4% complete to date. The project includes a total of 24 tracts, consisting of 18 right-of-way acquisitions and 6 permanent or temporary easements. So far, 1 tract has been successfully secured as part of the acquisition process.

PROJECT	Decker/Woodfield NIP Brookfield Rd
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Sidewalk
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 90%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	December 2028
NOTES	Currently in the right-of-way acquisition phase, the Brookfield Road project has identified several parcels requiring condemnation. The project team is working diligently to secure all necessary acquisitions while maintaining full compliance with legal and regulatory standards, with schedule management serving as a key priority. With acquisition activities complete, the project will have satisfied all remaining prerequisites and will be fully authorized to move into construction, as no substantive design or permitting items are still outstanding.

PROJECT	Gills Creek Greenway
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Greenway
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 75%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	June 2028
NOTES	The project remains in technical design as the project team continues evaluating improvements near Crowson Road and the existing transit stop. During this reporting period, the consultant completed and submitted the additional survey and cross-section information requested by the County. Based on the survey results and subsequent design review, the consultant is developing an engineered concept to evaluate relocation of the existing bus shelter behind the curb within the Egg Roll Chen property while minimizing impacts to existing parking. The evaluation includes grading, retaining wall requirements, utility conflicts, ADA accessibility, drainage considerations, and other site constraints. Coordination with the City of Columbia is ongoing, and the County has provided the conceptual retaining wall and bus shelter layout for review by the City's Engineering and Public Works staff to obtain input as the design advances. Utility coordination continues, and right-of-way needs will be reassessed as design decisions are finalized. The project remains active and focused on completing the technical evaluation necessary to advance the design.

PROJECT	Lower Richland Blvd Widening
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Road Widening
PERCENT COMPLETE	December 95%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	February 2028
NOTES	Utility coordination and design are 98% complete. Geotechnical analysis for the high school entrance retaining wall and NOI permitting are underway to maintain the schedule. Final plans will be submitted to Richland County and SCDOT in September 2026. Right-of-Way: 9 of 12 required tracts are secured. No utility easements are anticipated. Construction bids are expected to be advertised in late 2026 following final reviews.

PROJECT	Polo Rd Widening
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Road Widening
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 70%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	December 2030
NOTES	The authorization to proceed (ATP) for Right-of-Way (ROW) acquisition was received on June 10, 2026, and the ROW acquisition process is currently underway. All title work has been completed, and the ROW team is contacting property owners to obtain permissions and schedule acquisition meetings. In parallel, the 30% utility design is in progress. A Public Information Meeting (PIM) was held on May 26, 2026, with the public comment period remaining open through June 12, 2026. The design team has reviewed and addressed all comments received, as appropriate and consistent with the project's scope.

PROJECT	SERN
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Sidewalk
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 98%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	June 2027
NOTES	The updated plan was submitted to SCDOT on May 26, 2026, for review. As part of this effort, the feasibility of relocating the storm drain pipes closer to the existing right-of-way is being evaluated. The next step in the process is to proceed with the pre-bid review.

PROJECT	Shop Road Widening
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Road Widening
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 80%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	December 2029
NOTES	Land acquisition is moving forward on clear properties. However, eight tracts are temporarily on hold to resolve specific design and drainage issues. Environmental reviews are 90% complete, though a new commercial or residential development in the area is being evaluated for drainage and environmental impacts. Utility coordination is 65% complete, and utility design is 35% complete. Engineers are finalizing traffic control, signing, pavement markings, and drainage updates. The team is currently assessing how these drainage revisions will impact the overall project schedule.

PROJECT	Smith Rocky Branch
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Greenway
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 85%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	February 2028
NOTES	Appraisal reviews have been finalized, and updated offers are moving forward. Documentation is being prepared to advance select properties through condemnation where necessary to keep the project on schedule. Property ownership questions near the railroad are also being actively resolved. The design team successfully coordinated with property owners regarding Dominion Energy utility access. Ongoing communication with CSX Railroad continues to support overall project delivery alignment. Next steps: Right-of-Way acquisition, design coordination, and contract administration will continue progressing to support the upcoming phases of project construction.

PROJECT	Spears Creek Church Road Widening
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Road Widening
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 80%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	December 2030
NOTES	The project plans are currently being updated to include five-foot sidewalks on both sides of the roadway to improve pedestrian accessibility and safety. The design plans are being revised to incorporate the new sidewalk and associated drainage modifications, with anticipated completion by November 2026. The next steps include continuing work on the final utility reports, no-cost letters, and utility relocation plans, with the anticipated Final Utility Report expected by January 2027. Right-of-way acquisition is currently about 63% complete, consisting of 52 total tracts, including 49 right-of-way acquisitions and 3 permanent or temporary easements. To date, 33 tracts have been successfully secured.

PROJECTS IN DESIGN:

PROJECT	Crane Creek NIP
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Sidewalk
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 58%
NOTES	ROW acquisition is underway. Transportation has requested design exception to SCDOT to use previous standards.

PROJECT	Decker/Woodfield NIP Decker Intersections
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Intersection
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 80%
NOTES	The encroachment permit for the Decker Boulevard traffic signal installation is now under review by SCDOT. Once comments are received, our On-Call Engineering Team (OET) will review and respond to any requested changes. Revisions to the plans are required because SCDOT has already completed several tasks that were originally assigned to Richland County Transportation. The updated plans will reflect SCDOT's work and eliminate any overlap, ensuring that county resources are not duplicated.

PROJECT	Jackson Creek Greenway
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Greenway
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 25%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	April 2028
NOTES	The project continues to advance through the conceptual design phase as the consultant refines the preferred alignment to address property and utility constraints. During this reporting period, updated sewer utility information prompted evaluation of an alternative bridge crossing location to avoid conflicts with existing infrastructure. The consultant is coordinating with the County to assess the revised crossing location while continuing to evaluate bridge feasibility, constructability, floodplain and permitting considerations, and property acquisition needs. Conceptual alignment refinement remains ongoing as the project team works toward advancing into technical design.

PROJECT	Kelly Mill Road Widening
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Road Widening
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 60%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	December 2030
NOTES	The On-Call Engineering Team (OET) has received County approval and execution of its scope of work and fee proposal for the Kelly Mill Road design services, and work on the project plans is now underway. Right-of-way (ROW) plans have been submitted to SCDOT for review, and the project is currently pending Authorization to Proceed (ATP) before acquisition efforts can begin. In parallel, public comments from project meetings are being reviewed and incorporated into the plans; once these updates are complete, the plans will be resubmitted to SCDOT for final approval.

PROJECT	Shop Road Ext. Phase 2
REFERENDUM	2012
CATEGORY	Road Extension
PERCENT COMPLETE	Design 10%
ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:	March 2030
NOTES	A stakeholder meeting for the Shop Road Extension Phase 2 was convened in January 2026 to review and discuss the proposed vision for the corridor extending from Shop Road to Montgomery Road. During the meeting, a revised corridor alignment—developed in response to prior stakeholder feedback and engineering analysis—was presented. Since that time, the design consultant has been advancing this concept by developing a formal plan set that reflects the proposed alignment, incorporates all relevant design elements, and ensures consistency with stakeholder input and project objectives. Upon completion, the plan set will be distributed to SCDOT for further review and coordination.

Program Planning:

The program is preparing an operating procedure for the Pedestrian Safety & Access project category. The TPAC reviewed the proposal by staff to conduct this detail for project scoring so that pedestrian access projects can be scored separately from pedestrian safety projects. The current scoring as one category will prevent in-fill and access sidewalk projects from commencement until after all higher scoring safety projects are underway. Further, since additional pedestrian safety projects could be brought into the Penny each year, the County-wide sidewalks would suffer long delay. The operating procedure will continue to fund pedestrian safety projects with 75% of available budget, and will reserve 25% of the category budget for pedestrian access projects. Adjustments will be made in the future should the demand in one of both subcategories change.

The program is hiring employees in those positions that have become available following the budget approval. The additional team members will be collecting data on programs like pedestrian safety and access, and dirt road paving and resurfacing. This work will round out the projects to be launched using the remaining funds of the 2012 referendum and the continuation into the upcoming funds in the 2024 referendum.

Upcoming Meetings Dates & Locations:

Date	September 21, 2026
Time	4:00PM
Location	2020 Hampton Street/Via Zoom
Topic	TPAC Meeting

Date	To be determined (September)
Time	To be determined
Location	To be determined
Topic	Pineview Road Widening Project Ground Breaking Ceremony

Date	To be determined (September)
Time	To be determined
Location	To be determined
Topic	Crane Creek Greenway Ground Breaking Ceremony

Date	To be determined (October)
Time	To be determined
Location	To be determined
Topic	Adams Scott Road for Dirt Road Paving Package Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Previous Meetings:

Date	August 13, 2026
Time	10AM
Location	6300 Shakespeare Rd
Topic	Trenholm Acres/Newcastle Groundbreaking Ceremony

Date	August 13, 2026
Time	2PM
Location	Teams
Topic	SCDOT Coordination Meeting