



# City's Locally Administered Project Portfolio

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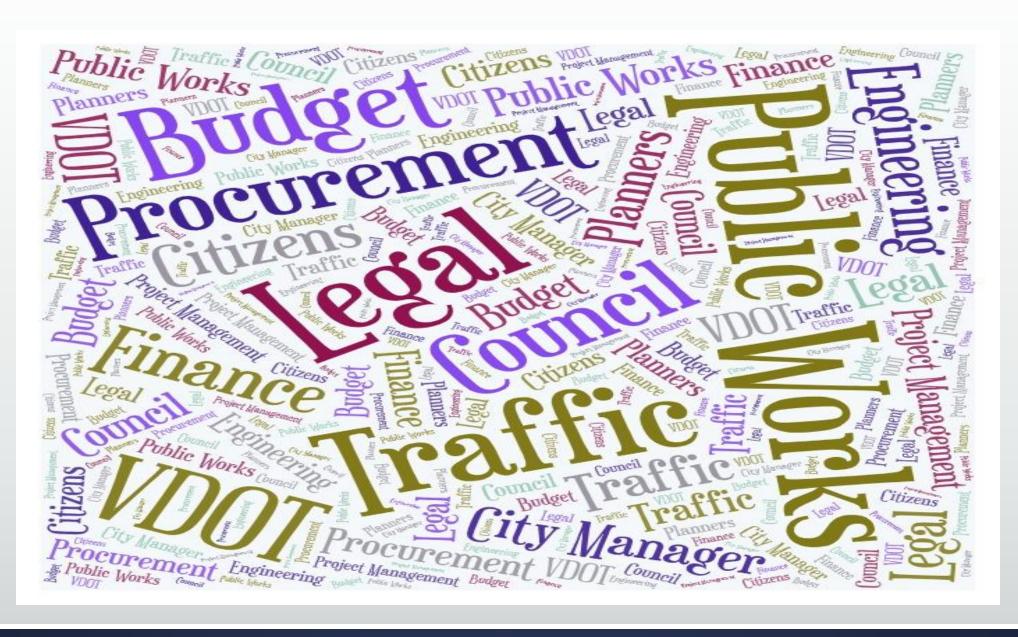


## City's Locally Administered Projects Portfolio

- \$157 million
- 29 projects
- Project Management Team
  - Deputy Public Works
  - Senior Transportation Project Manager
  - Right of Way Agent
  - 3 Project Managers

## Key Partners for Project Success







#### **Deficiencies Performance**

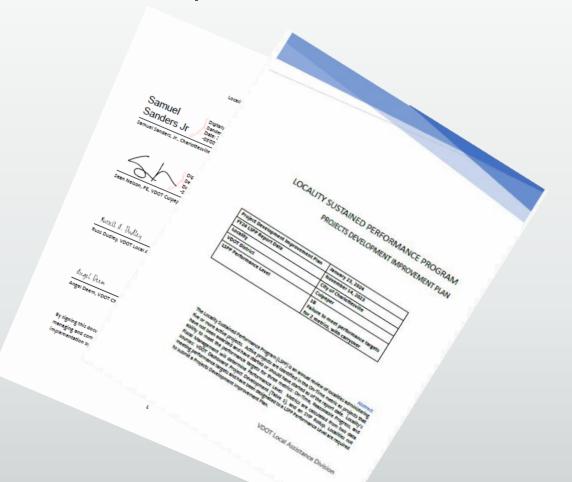
- Projects not being delivered
- Lack of team approach VDOT and internal collaboration
- No clear strategic plan or mission On Time and On Budget
- Crisis losing credibility with VDOT and funding
- Projects Development Improvement Plan (PDIP)
- Public trust
- Empty promises
- No performance measures





## City's Projects Development Improvement Plan

- Locality Sustained Performance Improvement Plan
  - On-Time Performance
  - Reasonable Progress
  - Fiscal Management



#### **On-Time Performance**





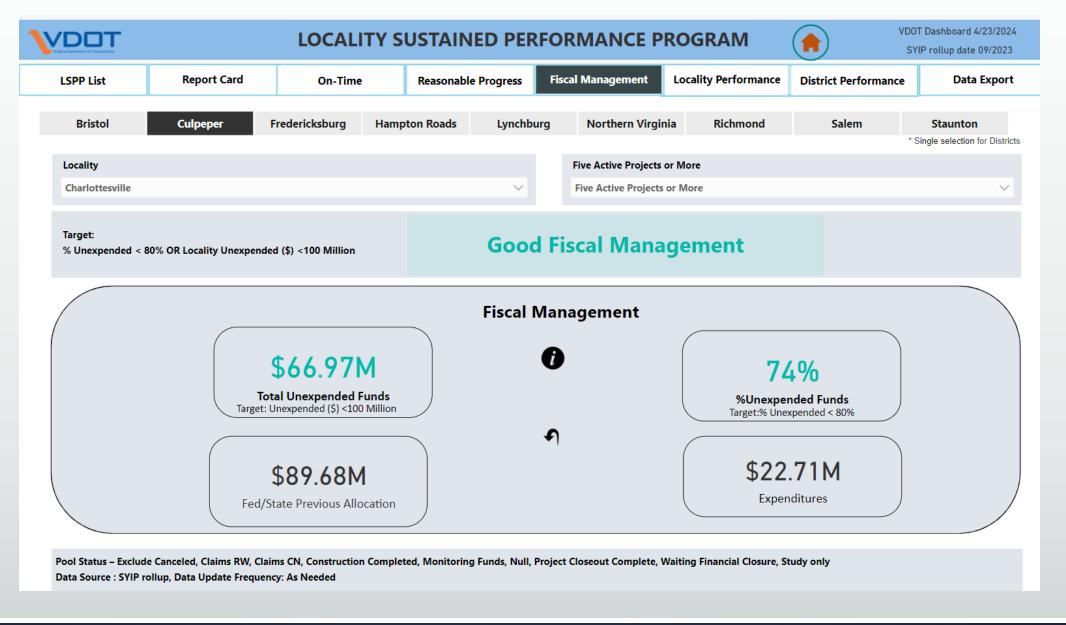


## Reasonable Progress





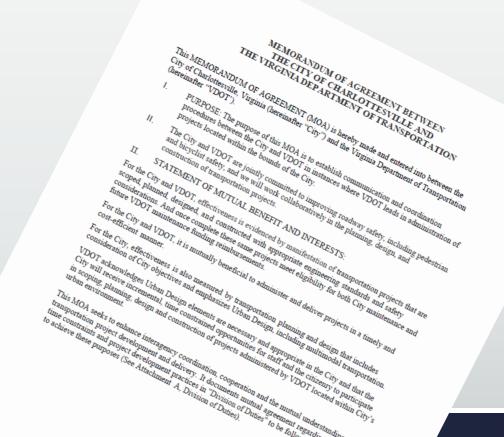
## Fiscal Management





#### Focus Areas – Corrective Action Plan

- Mission Deliver projects on-time and on-budget
- Build a strong team in place reorganization
- Solid VDOT relationship MOU
- Restoring public trust
- Fiscal discipline
- Urban design
- Project Transparency
- Sense of urgency



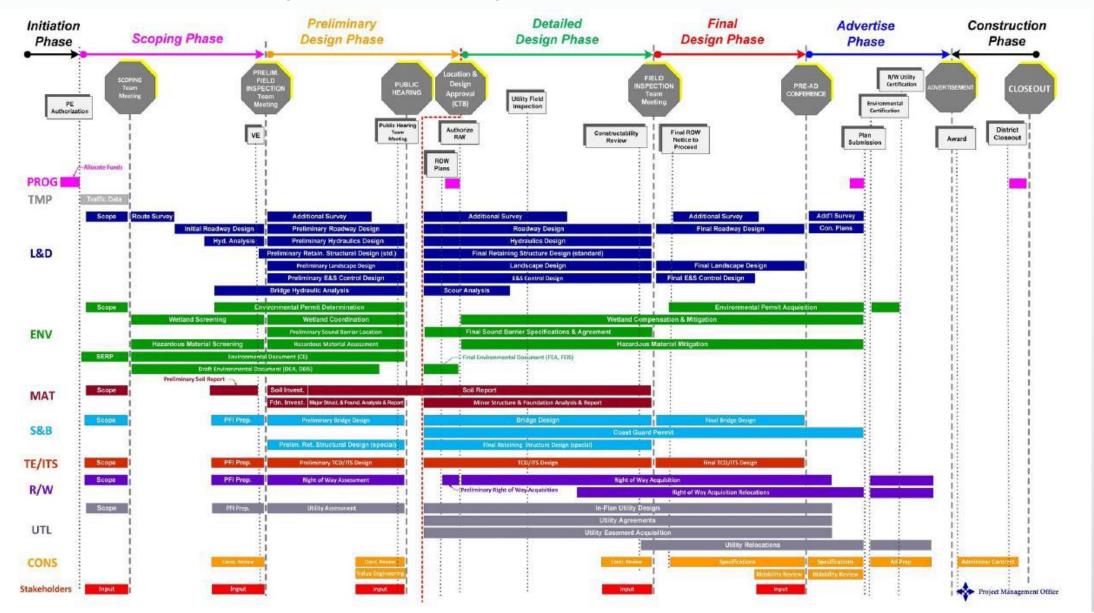


### Project Funding and Application Cycles

- Even Years (2024, 2026, 2028, etc.)
  - Smart Scale (April and closes in August)
  - Highway Safety Improvement Program (August and closes in October)
- Odd Years (2025, 2027, 2029, etc.)
  - Revenue Sharing (May and closes in October)
  - Transportation Alternatives (May closes in October)
- Annually State of Good Repair
  - Bridge (August and closes in December)
  - Pavement (October and closes in December)

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## **Project Development Process**

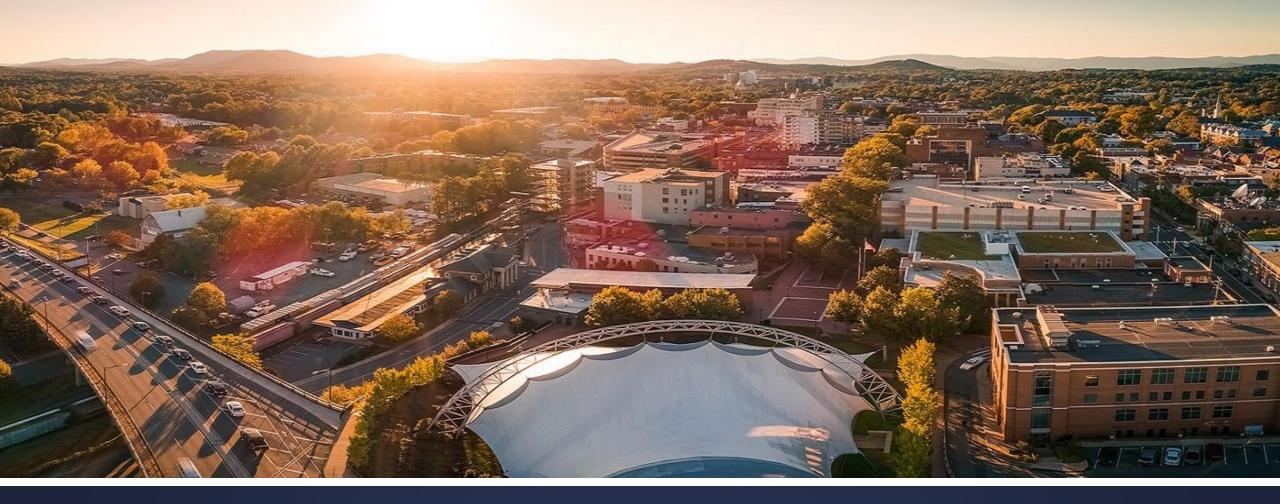




## Project Development Process (Seven Phases)

- 1) Initiation (2-4 months)
- 2) Scoping (3-5 months)
- 3) Preliminary Design (4-9 months)
- 4) Detail Design & Public Hearing (3-6 months)
- 5) Final Design and Right of Way Acquisition (4-18 months)
- 6) Advertisement (2-4 months)
- 7) Construction (12-36 months)

**Project Range (Cradle to Grave): 3-8 years** 





# City's Locally Administered Projects Overview

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## Locally Administered Projects Overview

	Design/ROW	Construction	Future
Streetscapes	<ul><li>East High St</li><li>Fontaine Ave</li><li>Emmet St</li><li>Barracks Rd/Emmet St</li></ul>		<ul><li>Emmet St Ph 2</li><li>Ridge St</li></ul>
Trails	Meadowcreek Valley Trail	<ul><li>Rugby Ave Shared Use Path</li><li>Washington Park/Madison Ave Connector</li></ul>	
Intersections	<ul> <li>10th St/Grady Ave</li> <li>Monticello Ave/2<sup>nd</sup> St</li> <li>Preston Ave/Harris St</li> </ul>	Rose Hill Dr/Rugby Ave	
Bridges	Dairy Rd Bridge	Belmont Bridge	

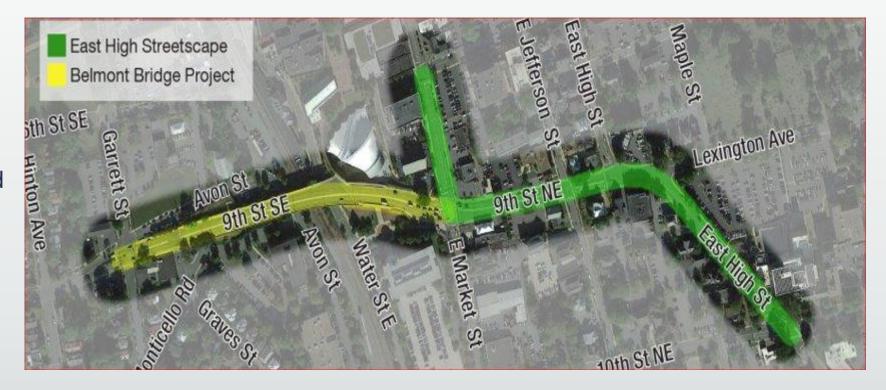


- A set of projects developed in the early to mid-2010s as larger-scale efforts to make significant bike/ped improvements, upgrade traffic patterns, and create corridors with a "sense of place"
- Projects were mostly funded with VDOT funding through Smart Scale
- Previously included the West Main Street Streetscape Project Phases 1-4, which was defunded in 2021
- These are the largest transportation projects in the City
- Current work is mostly not visible project funds are either not yet available or current phase is focused on design or right-of-way procurement



#### East High Street

- In Right-of-Way (ROW) Acquisition phase
- Extends multimodal improvements associated with the Belmont Bridge to along E High St to Locust Ave
- Estimated completion Winter 2026





#### **Fontaine Avenue**

- Currently at 60% design, waiting for VDOT approval to enter the ROW phase
- Provides enhancements to the streetscape that provide sidewalks on both sides of the road, bike lanes, curbs, and well-marked on-street parking from JPA to the City boundary
- Anticipated completion in Summer 2026





#### Emmet Street Phases 1 & 2

- 2 projects The first phase is in ROW and the second funds come online this year to begin design work
- Provides a shared use path, improved bus stops, landscaping, improved pedestrian crossings and a tunnel under the railroad tracks between Ivy Road and Barracks Road
- Phase 1 anticipated completion in Spring 2026
- Phase 2 TBD





#### Barracks Road at Emmet Street

- Currently in ROW phase
- Improves operations at the Barracks Road and Emmet Street intersection and adds a shared use path to Hilltop Road

Anticipated completion in Fall 2026





#### Ridge Street

- New project funded this year (initially won funding through Smart Scale in 2020)
  - Intersection improvements at 5<sup>th</sup>/Ridge/Cherry/Elliott to making crossings safer for bikes/peds
- Neighboring project awarded funding in 2022
  - Streetscape from Cherry/Elliott to just south of West Main St
- Combined into a single project in 2023
- Funding for design becomes available this year, anticipated completion TBD





## **Trails Projects**

#### Meadowcreek Valley Trail

- Provides a recreational trail and significant bike/ped transportation network linkage between the Greenbrier neighborhood and commercial areas near Hydraulic Road
- Design plans are completed
- Permits are in place
- Deeds are currently under review
- Anticipated completion in Summer 2025





## **Trails Projects**

#### Rugby Avenue Shared Use Path

- Provides a wider shared use path connection along Rugby Avenue into McIntire Park under the 250 Bypass
- Construction is going out to bid
- Anticipated completion early Fall 2024
- Following completion of the shared use path, traffic will return to its previous pattern on both sides of the median
- Intersection improvements at Westwood will be added following completion and will likely be quickbuild in nature initially





## **Trails Projects**

## Washington Park/ Madison Avenue Connector

- Connects Madison Avenue in the Rose Hill neighborhood to Washington Park
- Construction is going out to bid
- Anticipated completion early Fall 2024





#### Rose Hill Drive at Rugby Avenue

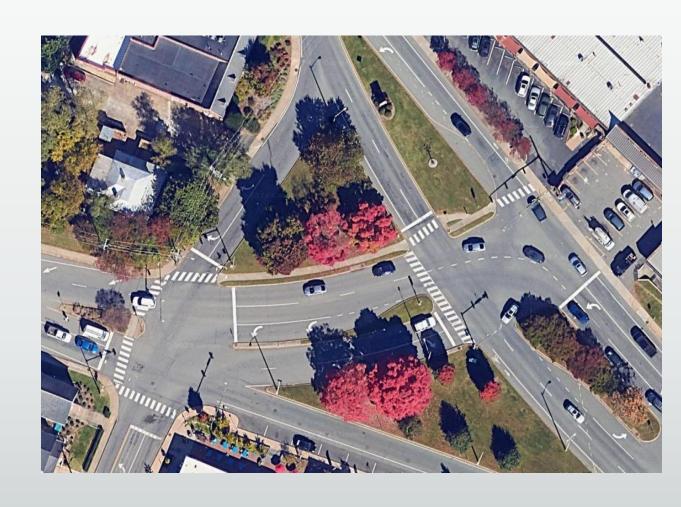
- Coordinating final powering/programming of signal and final repaving of the intersection
- Project improved crossings for pedestrians in a major Safe Routes to School corridor and upgraded signal infrastructure
- Anticipated completion Summer 2024





#### 10<sup>th</sup> Street at Grady Avenue

- Previously had a project to do larger streetscape and intersection improvement, defunded in 2021
- This version does not change traffic flow, but does upgrade pedestrian infrastructure and adds more efficient pedestrian crossings
- Currently in ROW phase
- Have 60% designs completed
- Anticipated completion in Spring 2025





#### Preston Avenue at Harris Street

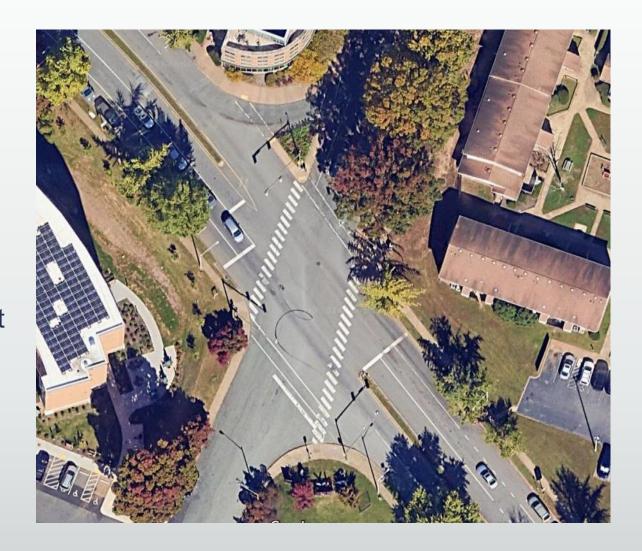
- Upgrades intersection pedestrian facilities to meet current standards
- Currently in ROW phase
- Have 60% plans completed
- Anticipated completion late Summer 2025





#### Monticello Avenue at 2<sup>nd</sup> Street

- Construction plans complete, soon to advertise for construction
- Restructures the intersection to lessen pedestrian crossing distances, reduce turning movement speeds, and improve traffic flow
- Anticipated completion late Fall 2024





## **Bridges**

#### Dairy Road Bridge

- Replaces the existing two-lane bridge, which is not meeting current standards
- Funded with State of Good Repair funding
- Under concept design
- Summer 2027





## Bridges

#### **Belmont Bridge**

- Replaces a structurally deficient bridge with a new multimodal design
- Functionally will be completed within about a month
- Total completion will be in June, after final protective coatings are applied to concrete surfaces and a final layer of blacktop is applied
- THE END IS NEAR





#### Other VDOT LAP Funds

## Revenue Sharing Funding for Multimodal Projects

- Revenue sharing funding is available every 2 years, currently we have 5 "projects"
- Similar to previous use of New Sidewalk and Bicycle Infrastructure CIP funds generally served as bucket for improvements identified in the 2010 Sidewalk Priority list, 2015 Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan, and 2016 Streets That Work Design Guidelines
- Have been used to fund various sidewalk improvements (Harris St), as well as adjust project scopes for larger streetscape projects (Belmont Bridge bike lanes extended to Hinton)
- Some funds still available in these "projects", currently looking at if this funding is committed to specific projects or if they can be used to fund the priorities from the new sidewalk list and there is a possibility of applying to add more funds into these "projects" in the future
- Two new projects slated to begin this fiscal year using these funds:
  - Monticello Ave (between Quarry Rd and Druid Ave)
  - Quarry Rd (between Monticello Ave and existing sidewalk)



### Other VDOT LAP Funds

## **Paving**

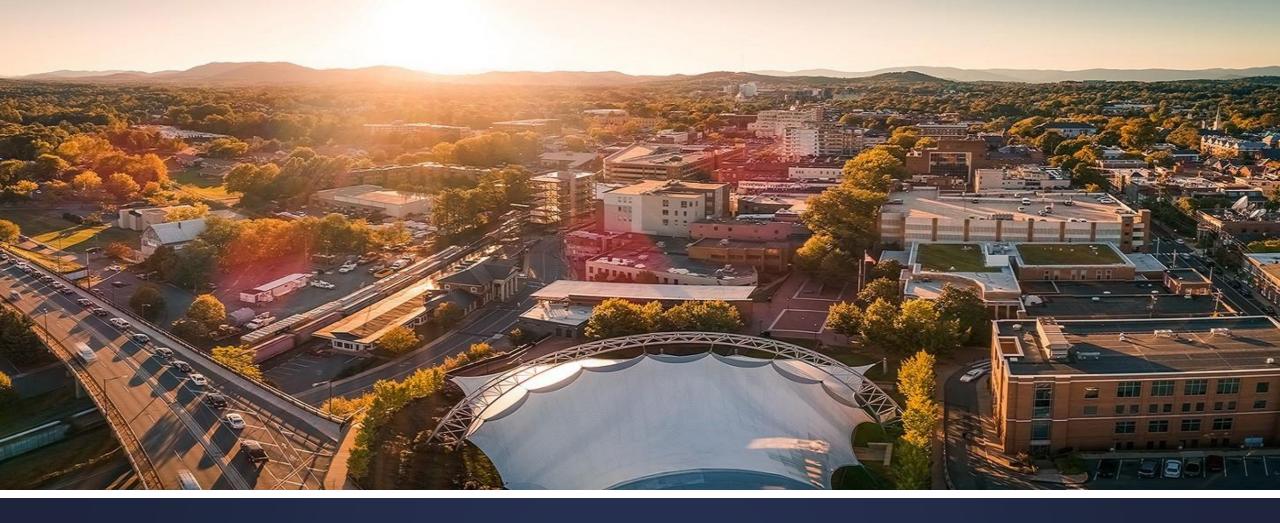
- State of Good Repair funding for pavement on state routes
- Three "projects" on US 29 (Emmet St) and US 20 (Monticello Ave, Belmont Bridge, E High St)
- Included as part of funding that Public Service uses for the paving schedule, along with the City's CIP funds



## VDOT-Administered Projects in the Region

- Pipeline Projects
  - Barracks Rd/250 interchange improvements and Georgetown Rd roundabout
  - Ivy Rd/Old Ivy Rd/250 interchange corridorwide improvements
  - Pantops Park & Ride
- Hydraulic Rd
  - Hillsdale Dr roundabout and US 29 pedestrian overpass
  - District Ave/Cedar Hill Rd roundabout
- I-64 interchange at 5<sup>th</sup> St SW Diverging
   Diamond Interchange with shared use path

- 5<sup>th</sup> St Station Trail Hub
- US 29 interchange at Fontaine Ave intersection improvements with shared use path
- Avon St Multimodal Improvements (Avon Ct to Druid Ave)
- Albemarle Intersection bundle: Roundabouts at
  - Routes 240/250/680,
  - Rio Rd/John Warner Parkway
  - Old Lynchburg Rd/5<sup>th</sup> St SW
  - US 20/VA 53 roundabout





## Questions?

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