
Wasena Bridge Replacement

DATE AND TIME	Tuesday March 5, 2019 at 6:30pm
LOCATION	Mountain View Community Center, 714 13 th St SW
SUBJECT	Focus Group Meeting #2 (Mt. View Community)
ATTACHED	Agenda List of community attendants Meeting Notes completed during the meeting

This meeting was the final in a series of three, second round of neighborhood public meetings. The meeting was held at the Mountain View Community Center at 6:30 pm and was part of a broader community meeting held regularly to discuss issues important to the community. The actual project meeting started around 6:45 and lasted for about 45 minutes.

The meeting was attended by a small group of community members. The presentation was started by city staff, followed by Mattern & Craig, Volkert, ECS Limited and finished off by Rosales. The powerpoint presentation reintroduced the public to the project team, explained the stakeholder engagement process and revealed the data collected and comments that were obtained from the first round of community meetings.

Jessica Antos from ECS Limited spoke for about five minutes in regards to the Section 106 Compliance that is required for a project to receive federal funding.

Prior to the discussion of the concept bridge design, Volkert presented the results of the public engagement process to date and the future plans for the remaining public meetings.

The next portion of the presentation revealed the initial design concept for of the new bridge, presented by Miguel Rosales. The bridge footprint, organization, and conceptual form were presented. The initial design was well-received by the community and they are excited to continue to be part of the design process.

The meeting closed with a question and answer session. In addition to the questions and comments received verbally during the meeting a comment sheet was provided as well as a link to the project website (<https://planroanoke.org/wasena-bridge/>).

The meeting notes recorded during the meeting, sign-in sheets, and public comment sheets are attached, and are summarized below:

- The major concern from this community was in regards to how the new bridge design and lane configuration would tie into the proposed plans for the business district. Their plan, which the design team has not seen, would include traffic calming measures and dedicated bike lanes.
- It was also expressed that the existing stairs should not be replaced and stairs should not be included in the new design. The widened sidewalk on the bridge would provide a much more comfortable experience for pedestrians to walk along the bridge and there would be no need to use the stairs as a shortcut.

Team Members participating in the meeting:

Josephus Johnson-Koroma, City of Roanoke
Chad Thomas, Mattern & Craig
Mike Agee, Mattern & Craig
Oliver Boehm, Volkert
Brendan August, Volkert
Miguel Rosales, Rosales
Jessica Antos, ECS Limited

Next Steps:

Tentative meeting in September with all three neighborhoods

Welcome

Study and Design for the Wasena Bridge

Mountain View Focus Group Meeting #2: March 5, 2019 @ 6:30pm

Location: Mountain View Community Center; 714 13th Street SW

This is the second meeting with the Mountain View community. At this meeting, we will present a preliminary design for the bridge based on feedback received during our public outreach, and the typical technical evaluation and design process we described at our first meeting.

Separate meetings are held with three neighborhoods because each neighborhood has slightly different needs and perspectives.

Agenda for today's Focus Group Meeting

1. Purpose of the meeting (M&C)
2. Planned Stakeholder Engagement (Volkert)
 - First Round of Focus Group Meetings*
 - Second Round of Focus Group Meetings*
 - 2/7/19 Wasena
 - 2/21/19 Old Southwest
 - 3/5/19 Mt. View
3. Section 106 Compliance – Impacts on Historic Properties (Volkert and ECS)
4. Existing Conditions (Volkert and Rosales)
5. Bridge Design (Rosales)
6. Solicit feedback (Rosales and Volkert)

Next Steps: **City-wide Public Meeting:** September, 2019 @ TBD
Display of preliminary bridge design

For additional information please visit
<https://planroanoke.org/wasena-bridge/>

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- How are we tying into adjacent neighborhoods.
 - Wasena Village (tie into new roadway configuration in this area)
- Noise mitigation of traffic sounds while you are in the park
- Expand work towards Ferdinand into Mt. view.
 - Improved sidewalk
- Stairs are steep/unnecessary; but means the intersection at end of bridge really needs to function effectively