

**Orange Avenue (Route 460)
Corridor Improvement Project
City of Roanoke
Design Public Hearing**

Tuesday, November 18, 2025, 5 - 7 p.m.

Berglund Center
Berglund Hall
710 Williamson Road NE
Roanoke, VA 24016

Find out about a project to improve traffic flow and enhance safety on the two-mile section of Orange Avenue (Route 460) that starts just east of Gainsboro Road NW and extends to just east of 24th Street NE. This project involves modifying several intersections by constructing turn lanes and adding sidewalks, curb ramps, pedestrian signals and crosswalks. The project also includes the following:

- Improving the off-ramps from southbound I-581 onto Orange Avenue and adding a signal to the off-ramp onto westbound Orange Avenue
- Improving the northbound I-581 ramps onto and from westbound Orange Avenue
- Providing a second turn lane from the northbound I-581 off-ramp to eastbound Orange Avenue with an upgraded signal and new turn lanes to and from Williamson Road
- Adding a left turn lane from northbound Williamson Road onto Carver Avenue
- Creating dedicated left turn lanes from Plantation Road and Kimball Avenue onto Orange Avenue and extending the left turn lane from westbound Orange Avenue onto Kimball Avenue
- Modifying the 11th Street NE intersection so that drivers who currently turn left or proceed straight across Orange Avenue will turn right and use an alternative side street or make a U-turn at the next available crossover or signal
- Closing three median crossovers between 13th Street NE and 20th Street NE
- Modifying the intersections at Rhodes Avenue, Walton Street and 20th Street NE so drivers can only make right turns onto Orange Avenue
- Redirecting left turns from westbound Orange Avenue onto Rhodes Avenue to use alternate side streets or make a U-turn
- Adding a second left turn lane from northbound and from southbound 13th Street NE to Orange Avenue
- Constructing a cul-de-sac at Archbold Avenue's intersection with 13th Street NE and extending Archbold Avenue 0.16 mile from 20th Street NE to 24th Street NE
- Adding a left turn lane on westbound Orange Avenue 500 feet west of 20th Street NE to accommodate U-turns
- Redirecting Gus Nicks Boulevard traffic that currently drives straight across Orange Avenue to turn right or left and make a U-turn or use an alternative side street
- Redirecting left turns onto or from Orange Avenue at 24th Street NE to use an alternative side street

Review the project information and National Environmental Policy Act documents in the form of a Categorical Exclusion at VDOT's Salem District Office located at 731 Harrison Avenue in Salem, 540-387-5353, 1-800-FOR-ROAD, or TTY/TDD 711. Please call ahead to ensure the availability of appropriate personnel to answer your questions.

The hearing will be held in an "open-house" format and VDOT representatives will be present to answer questions. Property impact information, relocation assistance policies and tentative construction schedules are available for your review at the above address and will be available at the public hearing.

Give your written or oral comments at the hearing or submit them by **November 28, 2025**, to Phil Hammack, Project Manager, Virginia Department of Transportation, 731 Harrison Avenue, Salem, VA 24153. You may also email your comments to Phillip.Hammack@vdot.virginia.gov. Please reference "VDOT Orange Avenue Corridor Improvement" in the subject heading.

In compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 and 36 CFR Part 800, information concerning the potential effects of the proposed project on properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places is provided in the environmental documentation.

VDOT ensures nondiscrimination and equal employment in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. If you need more information in regards to your civil rights on this project or need special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, contact Phil Hammack at the phone numbers listed above.

UPC: 124134 Federal Project: STP-5128(524)
State Project: 0460-128-519, P101, R201, C501
From: 0.04 mile east Gainsboro Road NW To: 0.009 mile east 24th Street NE

In case of inclement weather or other issues, the hearing will be held **November 20, 2025**, at the same time and location.