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## **Monthly ‘Open House’ Thursday for Boundary Street construction updates**

The monthly question and answer session about work on Beaufort’s Boundary Street will be held Thursday, March 31, from 4-6 p.m. at the ground floor of City Hall, 1911 Boundary Street.

The ‘open house’ is held the last Thursday of each month. It is designed as a drop-in for affected property owners and anyone else with a question about the 1.2-mile improvement project that started in January. Recent work has included removal of the center median and shifting lanes to allow workers to begin creating an underground “duct bank” for utility cables.

Beaufort Senior Project Manager David Coleman said he is always ready to answer specific questions about the project by email at [dcoleman@cityofbeaufort.org](mailto:dcoleman@cityofbeaufort.org). A website dedicated to the safety and aesthetics project has other details at [www.boundarystreetupdate.com](http://www.boundarystreetupdate.com).

The Boundary Street Redevelopment Corridor project budget is funded through three sources:

- Federal Highway Administration TIGER grant of \$12.635 million
- The Beaufort County one cent sales tax of \$11.346 million
- And the City of Beaufort’s TIF II estimated contribution of about \$8.223 million.

The project runs from Neil Road to Greenlawn Drive and will be completed in phases, starting at the realigned intersection of Boundary Street and SC170/Robert Smalls Parkway. Moving utility lines underground will extend to Ribaut Road.

Boundary Street will remain a four-lane roadway but will feature improved intersections with traffic signals; left-turn lanes; and landscaped middle median; and sidewalks and pathways for pedestrians. This is part of the “complete streets” effort to enable safe access for all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists and transit riders of all ages and abilities.

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