

# Washington Pike from I-640 to Murphy Road Project



Project Description: The design plans for this project were previously completed up to the right-of-way acquisition phase for the original proposed five-lane typical section. In 2018, the project was put on hold because of funding constraints. In 2020, the project designer was asked to perform an analysis of the proposed project limits with a specific focus on traffic and pedestrian safety. This analysis resulted in a proposed design where the width of the road and the number of lanes will fluctuate based on a blend of traffic counts, crash data, and engineering best practices. In the current design, Washington Pike will remain five lanes on the western end of the project area, where Greenway Drive ties in near the Target store. Washington Pike will narrow to three lanes by New Harvest Lane, then expand back to five lanes, including a turn lane, at Steeple Shadow Way and Babelay Road and continue in that configuration to the City limits at Murphy Road. Turn lanes will carry traffic onto Murphy or Pullman Roads, and Washington Pike to the east will continue in its current two lanes. Along the project corridor, two 10-foot multi-use pedestrian & bicycle paths will be built connecting existing parks and greenways.

Engineering Department April 2024 Status: Upon completing a reevaluation of the project with a specific focus on traffic and pedestrian safety, a meeting with leaders of the Alice Bell / Spring Hill Neighborhood was held via Zoom on January 20, 2021. Subsequently, a public meeting was held at New Harvest Park on May 19, 2021, to solicit input on the new proposed lane configurations. Most recently the City held a public meeting at New Harvest Park on September 22, 2021, to discuss revised alignments, slope limits, and conceptual plans for landscaping. Qualifications for title examination and closing services for the project were received on October 22, 2021. A contract for real estate title examination and closing services with Tennessee Valley Title was awarded at the January 11, 2022, City Council Meeting. Work to include comments from recent public meetings, update design plans, and perform a NEPA Reevaluation is ongoing. Coordination documents for a NEPA reevaluation were submitted to TDOT on March 24, 2022. A public meeting was held on

June 15, 2022. A utility coordination meeting was held on November 7, 2022. A right-of-way services contract was approved with Johnson, Mirmiran & Thompson, Inc. at the February 6, 2024 City Council Meeting. This project's projected bid date is January 2026.

CITY OF KNOXVILLE Indya Kincannon, Mayor



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### **Related Documents:**

<u>September 2001 Advance Planning Report – 65 pages – 14mb [PDF]</u>
<u>December 2001 Advance Planning Report at Knoxville Center – 123 pages – 7mb [PDF]</u>

<u>January 2009 Transportation Planning Report and Appendices – 416 pages – 35mb [PDF]</u>

May 2012 Neighborhood Meeting Presentation – 11 pages – 1mb [PDF]
July 2012 Update Meeting Presentation – 16 pages – 1mb [PDF]
September 2012 Functional Plan – 12 pages – 7mb [PDF]

### **Draft Environmental Documents:**

<u>July 2012 Initial Environmental Screening Report – 36 pages – 2mb [PDF]</u> <u>November 2012 Air Quality Determination – 13 pages -264k [PDF]</u> <u>November 2012 Noise Technical Report – 60 pages – 3mb [PDF]</u>

### **Final Environmental Documents:**

January 2012 Purpose and Need Statement – 57 pages – 8mb [PDF]
August 2012 Native American Coordination Letters – 6 pages – 456k [PDF]
January 2013 Historical Structures Survey – 74 pages – 6mb [PDF]
March 2013 Historical Structures SHPO Determination – 1 page – 56k [PDF]
April 2013 Conceptual Stage Relocation Plan – 4 pages - 472k [PDF]

### **Approved Environmental Documents:**

May 2014 Approved Environmental Document— 18 pages - 190k [PDF]
May 2014 Approved Environmental Appendices — 153 pages - 14mb [PDF]

### June 2015 Public Meeting:

Public Hearing Preliminary Plans Display – 1 page – 12mb [PDF]

Public Hearing Preliminary Design Fly-Over –13.6mb [mp4]

Public Hearing Preliminary Streetscape Display – 1 page – 11mb [PDF]

Public Meeting Comments – 56 pages – 12mb [PDF]

### September 2015:

<u>Proposed Project Corridor Display – 1 page – 4mb [PDF]</u>

## July 2020:

Washington Pike Roll Plot – 1 page – 4mb [PDF]

### January 2021:

Neighborhood Meeting Presentation – 6 pages – 5mb [PDF]





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### May 2021:

<u>Public Meeting Washington Pike Roll Plot– 1 page – 11mb [PDF]</u> Public Meeting Washington Pike Typical Sections – 2 pages – 1mb [PDF]

### **August 2021:**

Washington Pike Public Input Schedule – 4 pages – 265k [PDF]

### September 2021:

<u>Washington Pike Roll Plot with May 2021 Public Meeting Comments – 1 page – 11mb [PDF]</u>

<u>Washington Pike Roll Plot with Changes from May 2021 Suggestions – 1 page – 11mb [PDF]</u>

<u>Preliminary Landscape Opportunities Plan and Concept Images – 1 page – 9mb [PDF]</u>

## January 2022:

Revised Washington Pike Public Input Schedule – 3 pages – 236k [PDF]

### March 2022:

Revised (03/14/2022) Washington Pike Public Input Schedule – 3 pages – 236k [PDF]

Revised (03/25/2022) Washington Pike Public Input Schedule – 3 pages – 236k [PDF]

Coordination documents for NEPA reevaluation that were submitted to TDOT – 19 pages – 15mb [PDF]

## **April 2022:**

Revised Washington Pike Public Input Schedule – 3 pages – 236k [PDF]

### May 2022:

<u>Summary of Public Comments (January 2021 – December 2021) – 10 pages – 369k [PDF]</u>

#### June 2022:

Washington Pike Roll Plot from the June 2022 Public Meeting – 1 page – 8mb [PDF]

## February 2024:

NEPA Re-Evaluation Letter from the Tennessee Department of Transportation, Environmental Division – 14 pages – 856k [PDF]

<u>Technical Appendices - PART 1 (D-List Categorical Exclusion, Reevaluation)</u>
<u>Washington Pike from North of I-640 to Murphy Road - 250 pages - 90mb [PDF]</u>
<u>Technical Appendices - PART 2 (D-List Categorical Exclusion, Reevaluation)</u>
<u>Washington Pike from North of I-640 to Murphy Road - 265 pages - 72mb [PDF]</u>

