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Birmingham to Hold Public Information Session on S. Old Woodward Reconstruction Project

BIRMINGHAM, MI, July 21, 2021 – The Birmingham community will have an opportunity to learn and ask questions about the 2022 South Old Woodward Reconstruction Phase 3 project during a public information session set for Tuesday, August 3 from 4 p.m. – 7 p.m. in the lower level of the Baldwin Public Library at 300 West Merrill Street. The project will span South Old Woodward between Brown and Landon. It is a continuation of the work completed in 2018 on other areas along Old Woodward, and in 2020 on Maple.

Those who attend the public information session will have an opportunity to review project renderings and plans, and discuss the project with city engineers and consultants from MKSK.

"We look forward to meeting with the public and addressing questions or concerns they may have pertaining to this project," said Consulting City Engineer, Jim Surhigh. "We are excited about the project and the continuation of the beautiful enhancements to our downtown."



The reconstruction project will result in new underground infrastructure and new streetscape between Brown and Landon. Similar to the award winning 2018 Old Woodward Reconstruction Project and 2020 Maple Road Reconstruction projects, design features will include:

- Curb bumpouts at each intersection to improve crosswalks for pedestrians. Mid-block crosswalks, raised planter beds and landscape features will also be added.
- Enhancements such as: exposed aggregate concrete, granite bench seating areas, new street lights, and cell phone charging stations.
- Improved on-street accessible parking spaces, each served with an individual sidewalk ramp to improve conditions for those needing accommodations.

Residents and businesses are encouraged to sign up for the South Old Woodward Reconstruction Phase 3 Constant Contact group at bit.ly/bhamnews to receive updates throughout the project. The city's public engagement platform, Engage Birmingham (engage.bhamgov.org), offers the community an opportunity to share feedback about their experiences as a pedestrian and driver on the previous phases of the project. More information about the project can also be found at www.bhamgov.org/oldwoodwardphase3.