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## **Public Engagement Process to Begin for City-wide Transportation Plan**

**Charleston, S.C.**—In partnership with the Berkeley-Charleston-Dorchester Council of Governments (BCDCOG), the city of Charleston Department of Traffic & Transportation has begun the process of updating the city-wide transportation plan. This effort will kick off with a series of public input sessions designed to gauge transportation needs throughout the community.

A public design workshop will be held on October 25, 2017 from 6 to 8 p.m. at BoomTown's Charleston headquarters (1505 King Street, #101), where residents will have the opportunity to collaborate with city representatives and other community leaders on their transportation needs and offer recommendations for improvement. Input will be collected through live mapping and surveying, and will then be used to develop a series of 13 prioritized concept designs outlining future transportation projects to take place throughout the city.

Additional open studio sessions will be held on October 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Harbor Entrepreneur Center (1505 King Street), where residents can drop-by to share transportation priorities in their neighborhoods. Several stakeholder sessions are also scheduled to supplement the public workshop and studio sessions.

Director of Traffic and Transportation Keith Benjamin said, "Engaging our citizens is a critical first step as we work toward improving transportation city-wide. Their first-hand recommendations will help us to effectively define accessibility in Charleston, mitigate congestion and achieve a good balance of transportation alternatives throughout our city."

For more information on these ongoing efforts, to take a community survey and to use the transportation mapping tool, visit [www.transportcharleston.com](http://www.transportcharleston.com). You can also contact the department of Traffic & Transportation at [CTP@charleston-sc.gov](mailto:CTP@charleston-sc.gov) or 843-720-1993.

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