



Office of the Town Manager

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# STAFF REPORT

## Warrenton Town Council

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<b>Council Meeting Date:</b>	December 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2024
<b>Agenda Title:</b>	Broadview Avenue Update
<b>Requested Action:</b>	Daytime Work Update
<b>Department / Agency Lead:</b>	Public Works
<b>Staff Lead:</b>	Michael Wharton, Project Coordinator

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

VDOT held a pre-construction meeting on March 18, 2024, for the Broadview Avenue Safety Improvement Project. In the meeting, the contractor, General Excavation, Inc., requested if the Town of Warrenton was willing to allow daytime work for the project. Town staff informed the contractor this would need to go before Council for their acceptance.

At the June 11, 2024, meeting, GEI presented the advantage/justification to allowing daytime work on the Broadview Avenue Improvement Project. The contractor gave the Council an update of the project, solutions to minimize traffic impacts, maintaining business access, and increase productivity. The Council agreed to give GEI a 6-month trial and Town Staff would report back at the December 10, 2024, meeting.

Since May 20, 2024, the contractor has been performing daytime lane closures throughout the project limits. Once, there was an issue setting up the lane closure on Frost Avenue during the morning hours. The contractor removed the lane closure to clear out traffic. The next day, the contractor adjusted the lane closure by 30 minutes and no issues were observed. At this time, Town Staff has not received any additional complaints or viewed any major traffic delays.

## BACKGROUND

For over 20 years, the Town of Warrenton and Virginia Department of Transportation have planned safety improvements along the Broadview Avenue Corridor. The objective was to improve all modes of transportation, reduce congestion and safer accessibility to commercial businesses. In 2018 the Broadview Avenue Safety Improvements from Hospital Drive to Roebling Street was awarded SmartScale funding from VDOT.

The design and public hearing process started in 2019. The right-of-way phase was complete in May of 2023. VDOT readvertised the project in January 2024 and was awarded by the Commonwealth Transportation Board on March 19, 2024. The Town of Warrenton, VDOT and GEI had a Pardon Our Dust Meeting on May 1, 2024. The contractor plans to start construction on May 6, 2024. The project is scheduled to be completed by May 5, 2026.

## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

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Town Staff would recommend continuing daytime work for the life of the project as requested by GEI.

### **Service Level/Policy Impact**

None

### **Fiscal Impact**

Daytime work may complete the project approximately 5 to 7 months ahead of schedule. This would lessen the impact on the businesses and residence.

### **Legal Impact**

None

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

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