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VIRTUAL PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

August 12, 2026 – September 11, 2026

West Avenue Bridge Project

ODOT Project No. MAH-West Ave Bridge; PID 120306

Visit Project Website: publicinput.com/WestAveBridge

You're invited to participate in a virtual open house!

The City of Youngstown Department of Public Works invites the public to participate in a virtual open house and information session by viewing a pre-recorded online presentation to learn more about the proposed bridge project on West Avenue over the Mahoning River in Youngstown, Mahoning County, Ohio.

Comments regarding the project may be submitted via email, on the project website, or by direct contact at the email or phone number below. Comments received by September 11, 2025, will be considered during this stage of project development, but all comments submitted will receive a reply. A summary of comments received and responses will be posted to the project website.

The project proposes to remove the exiting bridge with a temporary causeway in the Mahoning River. The purpose of this project is to address the deteriorating bridge and associated safety issues.

The proposed project is currently in the planning phase which includes environmental studies and preliminary bridge demolition and temporary access fill plan design. Construction is anticipated to be completed in Summer 2028.

The West Avenue bridge is a historic Baltimore-truss bridge that was once a critical link to the industrial areas of Youngstown. Because of the historic significance, the bridge is eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). Removal of the bridge will have an adverse effect on the historic bridge. Mitigation of the adverse effect will be determined through the standard historic review process. Individuals or organizations with a demonstrated interest in the effects of the undertaking on historic properties can apply to become a Consulting Party. Consulting Party status entitles the participant to share their views, receive and review pertinent information, offer ideas, and consider possible solutions together with the City of Youngstown, ODOT, and other consulting parties. If you are interested in becoming a Consulting Party for this project, please download and complete the Section 106 Consulting Party application posted on the project website.

The virtual open house public involvement event will begin August 12, 2026, and last through September 11, 2026. Available project information (e.g., presentation, comment form, etc.) may be requested from the contact below or can be viewed on the project website at the following link or by scanning the QR code below on your mobile device:

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Individuals who do not have internet access and would like these materials mailed to them or those who require interpretation/translation services or reasonable accommodations to view the presentation or provide comments, please contact Chuck Shasho, Deputy Director Department of Public Works as soon as possible.

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