

# CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN

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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

TO: ALL LOCAL NEWS MEDIA  
FROM: CHARLES T. SHASHO, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS  
RE: UPCOMING BRIDGE REHABILITATION – SOUTH AVENUE BRIDGE  
ODOT PROJECT NO. MAH-SOUTH AVENUE BRIDGE; PID 117081  
  
DATE: May 13, 2024

The City of Youngstown Department of Public Works proposes to rehabilitate the South Avenue Bridge which carries pedestrian traffic and 4 lanes of traffic over the Y&S Railroad in Youngstown, Mahoning County. The existing Bridge was constructed in 1957 and underwent major rehabilitation in 1990. The bridge was most recently rehabilitated in 2015. The project proposes to replace the superstructure and rehabilitate the substructure of the bridge. Additional repair work includes refacing the existing abutments, replacement of the approach slabs, guardrail, approach pavement, sidewalks, bridge railing, concrete curb and pavement markings. When complete, the number of travel lanes and sidewalks will be the same as the existing bridge. This project will be constructed within existing roadway rights-of-way. The \$1,162,400 project is scheduled to begin construction in the summer of 2025 and will be completed by the end of 2025.

During construction, South Avenue will be closed to vehicle and pedestrian traffic for a maximum of 180 consecutive calendar days. The vehicle detour route will utilize Williamson Avenue, Market St, Indianola Avenue, and South Avenue, a total distance of 3 miles. The pedestrian detour route will utilize Williamson Avenue, Gibson Street, Dorothy Avenue, and South Avenue, a total distance of 0.7 mile. Construction, lane restriction and roadway closure/detour information will be posted within the project construction limits and all intersecting side roads prior to the start of project construction. Access will be maintained to all adjacent properties, residences, businesses, and intersecting side streets, including South Side Park and the South Side Veterans Memorial for the duration of the project. The construction schedule and detour information will be posted within the construction limits prior to the start of construction.

There will be temporary impacts to some nearby properties during construction. Access will be maintained to all properties, including South Side Park and the South Side Veterans Memorial during this time. Additionally, a small amount of wooded area will be removed for construction.

The City of Youngstown Public Works Department is seeking any comments you may have regarding the proposed project. Project-related issues the public may wish to comment on include, but are not limited to, the effect of the project on residents, businesses, the local economy, historic or cultural resources, etc. Should you have any comments or questions, please feel free to contact Charles Shasho, Deputy Director,

using the contact information provided below. Comments received by June **13**, 2024, will be considered during this phase of project development, but all comments will be addressed.

Individuals who require translation or interpretation services or reasonable accommodation to view the project materials or provide comments are also encouraged to contact Charles Shasho at one of the methods below:

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This public notice has been posted on the Youngstown City Internet site on the worldwide web and can be found at: [https://youngstownohio.gov/public\\_works](https://youngstownohio.gov/public_works).

*Public participation in this project is solicited without regard to race, color, sex, age, national origin or disability.*