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CITY OF ALBANY HOSTS CORNING PRESERVE RIVERFRONT PARK TRANSPORTATION PUBLIC MEETING

Albany, NY – On Monday, June 23rd, the public was invited to attend an informational meeting to discuss the proposed connections to Albany's waterfront, as part of the Corning Preserve Riverfront Park 1.2 mile Transportation Improvements Project. The meeting was held in the rotunda at City Hall.

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The purpose of the meeting was to obtain comments on the proposed project from individuals, groups, officials, and local agencies. Transportation enhancement discussions included construction of a new multi-use-path paralleling Quay Street, installation of a new pedestrian crossing at Colonie Street, improved access to the Corning Riverfront Park at five locations, pedestrian and bicyclist improvements at the Broadway / Maiden Lane Bridge intersection, and complete street amenities along Quay Street.

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“Improving access to our waterfront is a key component to the revitalization of Downtown Albany,” said Albany Mayor Kathy Sheehan, “The proposed transportation enhancements that were presented at today’s public meeting will play an instrumental role in making the Corning Preserve easily accessible to visitors no matter what mode of transportation they use. This is the first important step to transforming our waterfront into a lively destination for those in the City of Albany and the greater Capital Region.”

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“This transportation project is the first step to implementing the Corning Preserve Riverfront Master Plan, “ said Katie Bronson, Principal Planner for the City of Albany Department of Development and Planning. “We are excited to be moving these transportation enhancements forward and pursuing other opportunities for the Corning Preserve Riverfront Park.”

The City of Albany specifically solicited comments on the development of alternatives for the project and comments on the project’s social, economic and environmental effects. The meeting was part of the continuing efforts by the City, New York State Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration to encourage public input into the development of transportation projects.



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