

**Subject:** Transportation (Langston)

**Related Department(s):** DES

***FY 2027 Proposed Capital Budget***

***CIP Work Session***

The following information is provided in response to a request made by Mr. J.D. Spain and Ms. Cunningham at the work session on June 9, 2026, regarding the following question:

*Please confirm that Langston Boulevard study will start in FY 2027 as planned and the 2026 HIN Safety Audit will not delay this work.*

*What is the status and timing of transportation capital improvements near the recently approved 3130 Langston (Walgreens) site plan (see June 8 letter from adjoining civic associations)?*

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It is anticipated that the kick-off of the study will begin in spring 2027 as planned; the 2026 High Injury Network (HIN) Safety Audit will not delay this work. The HIN Safety Audit, which kicks off this summer, will assess Langston Boulevard from North Kenmore to North Veitch Streets. The audit will identify safety issues, some of which may be immediately implemented through the Vision Zero Program, using tactical measures for near-term fixes. All safety issues identified as part of the safety audit will be considered as inputs to the corridor planning study. Staff will undertake internal scoping for the Area 5 Langston Boulevard study later this year following coordination with VDOT and data collection. Kick-off of the study is anticipated to start in spring 2027.

**What is the status and timing of transportation capital improvements near the recently approved 3130 Langston (Walgreens) site plan (see June 8 letter from adjoining civic associations)?**

The traffic signal replacement project was substantially completed earlier this year. With the new infrastructure in place, the County is pursuing operational enhancements at

Spout Run/Kirkwood and Langston Boulevard (in proximity to 3130 Langston Boulevard), which includes protected dual eastbound left-turns. This improvement will eliminate pedestrian crossings conflict with the vehicular movements. The operational changes have been submitted to VDOT for review and require their approval to proceed. Once the VDOT review process has progressed, we can communicate their response and next steps. Large-scale transportation capital improvements for Langston Blvd between North Kenmore and North Veitch will be determined through the multimodal planning study. At the conclusion of the study, anticipated in Fall 2028, staff will have a better understanding of project concept and scope of work. Multimodal improvements will be identified with a general scope and high-level understanding of probable cost so that the County can advance design.

**Once the initial planning work is completed, will we be able to consider accelerating these projects and regional funding to begin earlier?**

The proposed CIP anticipates submitting external funding applications for design following the completion of the studies, which is the earliest possible timing given the project cycle of planning, study, scope, design, and construction. Once funding is received (typically three years after funding is awarded), staff anticipate beginning design work. Once design is complete (or near completion, depending on timing of the application cycle), a request for construction funding is submitted.