

# Main Street/Vista District Connector

## Project Description

The City of Columbia proposes to improve pedestrian and motorist safety along Assembly Street from Pendleton Street to Lady Street in downtown Columbia, South Carolina.

City of Columbia Planning staff have identified Assembly Street as being in need of pedestrian improvements through a years-long planning and development study. These studies have characterized the Assembly Street Corridor as being dangerous for pedestrians for a variety of reasons, including the total roadway width, traffic volumes, and median parking.

The City of Columbia is proposing to address these concerns with pedestrian lighting, revisions to the existing typical sections and parking locations, decreasing the crossing distance with curb bumpouts, and installing traffic calming measures through the addition of landscaping and beautification elements.

This safety improvement project is designed to improve pedestrian, bicycle, and bus stop facilities without affecting vehicular capacity.

## Project Funding

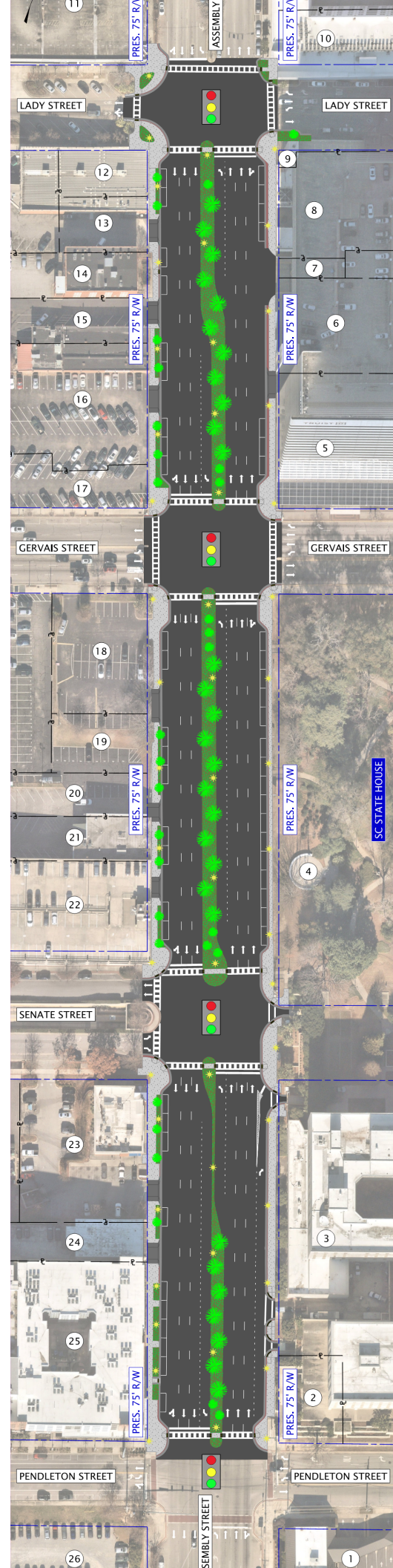
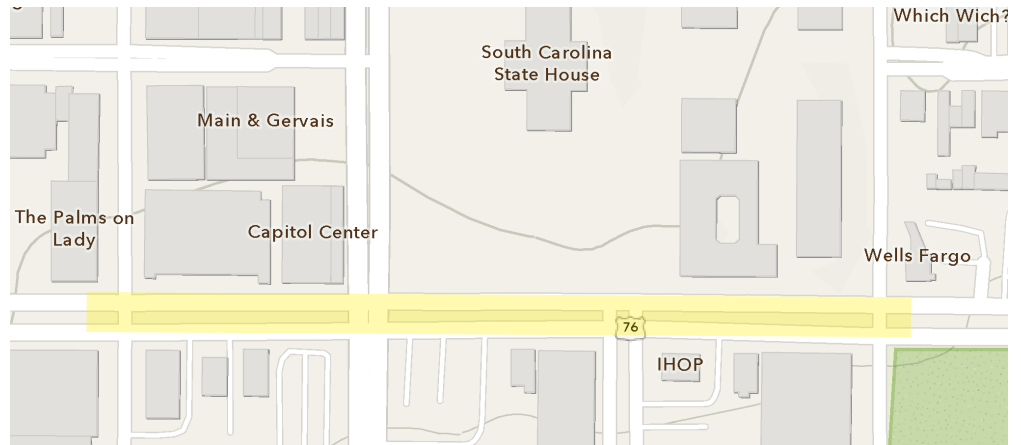
This project is being funded through a partnership between the SC Department of Transportation (SCDOT), Richland County, and the City of Columbia.

## Can I comment on this project?

Yes. The City of Columbia will be accepting comments from the public through the project website.

Comments for this project will be accepted through May 15, 2026.

## Proposed Roadway Section



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*\*This is a draft schedule and is subject to change.*

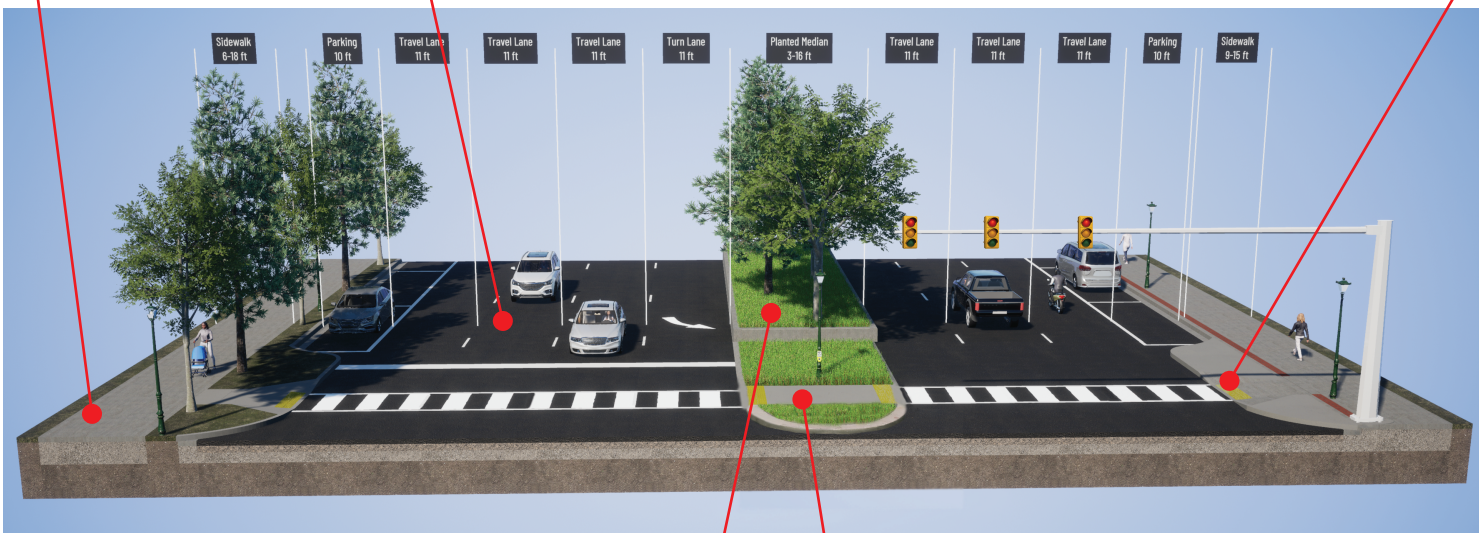
## Proposed Project Schedule

## Proposed Improvements

**Wider Sidewalks**

**Reduced Lane Widths**

**Curb bump-outs at each intersection to reduce pedestrian crossing distances**



**Median parking will be removed and replaced with a wide, landscaped median**

**Pedestrian islands/refuge areas will be added along the median**

### Have a question?

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### Want to comment?



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*\*A draft project schedule has been developed by the project team based on the necessary tasks and timelines for completion of the project through construction. Schedules are subject to change based on funding availability, design changes, and/or project approval by regulatory agencies.*