## **NEWS RELEASE**

## **State Street Reconstruction Meeting**

PORTSMOUTH - The City of Portsmouth will hold a Nov. 5 public meeting to present its concept for the design of possible traffic and pedestrian improvements to State Street between Pleasant Street and the Memorial Bridge.

The meeting, scheduled for 6:30 p.m. in the Library's Levenson Room, is a follow-up to the City's Oct. 1 meeting to gather public input for the project.

The new streetscape will be installed as part of the sewer separation and underground utility improvements planned for the section of State Street between Pleasant Street and the bridge. The work will coincide with periods of reduced traffic or shutdowns of the bridge during the New Hampshire Department of Transportation's rehabilitation project in 2009 and 2010.

The City's team of landscape architects, engineers, planners and historians has been working to develop a design that preserves scenic, aesthetic, historic and environmental resources while maintaining safety and mobility.

Additional public meetings will be held as the project proceeds. For more information, contact Peter Rice, city engineer for the Water and Sewer Divisions, at 766-1416.