State Street Reconstruction Meeting Planned Friday, March 27, 2009 8:52:28 AM

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Engineer, 766-1416

Peter Rice, P.E., City

PORTSMOUTH – The City of Portsmouth and Unitil will hold a joint public information meeting April 7 to provide an update on the project to upgrade utilities and make traffic and pedestrian improvements to State Street between Pleasant Street and the Memorial Bridge.

The public information meeting begins at 7 p.m. in Conference Room A of City Hall, which is located at 1 Junkins Avenue.

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. In addition to the work planned by the City, Unitil (formally Northern Utilities, Inc.) will replace a gas main within the project area. The gas main work is anticipated to start the second week of April and will take approximately two months to complete. The City will begin its work shortly afterward. There may be periodic traffic interruptions, but one lane of State Street will remain open throughout the project work.

The purpose of the meeting is to present current design status, the project schedule, and answer questions related to potential construction-related impacts. The City's design team and Unitil representatives will be available to answer questions and address concerns.

For more information, contact Peter Rice, City Engineer for the Water and Sewer Divisions, at 766-1416.