

CITY OF PORTSMOUTH



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Public Informational Meeting on New Franklin School Traffic Circulation Improvements to be held on Monday, May 9th

PORTSMOUTH, NH – The City of Portsmouth will be hosting a public informational meeting regarding New Franklin School traffic circulation improvements on Monday, May 9th at 6:30 p.m. at the New Franklin School.

In order to improve traffic safety surrounding the New Franklin School, Public Works will be constructing a cul-de-sac for school bus use at the end of the Myrtle Avenue driveway this summer. The cul-de-sac will allow all school buses that service New Franklin School to both enter and exit via Myrtle Avenue, removing them from Stark Street and Woodbury Avenue. Meanwhile, regular vehicular traffic will continue to enter on Franklin Drive and will have the opportunity to exit through Stark Street onto Dennett Street, avoiding having to exit onto Woodbury Avenue.

City staff will present and discuss the conceptual design plans. Construction will not impact the nearby tennis courts, and the improvements will be made in time for the new school year this fall. This project will also comply with the City's Safe Routes to School Action Plan by increasing overall vehicular, biking and pedestrian traffic safety.

For more information, please contact Eric Eby, Portsmouth's Parking and Transportation Engineer, at 766-1415 or ebeby@cityofportsmouth.com.