- **Funding:** The preliminary cost estimate is \$9.9 Million including right of way and construction costs. Right of way and construction funding for this project is part of the \$75 million dollar transportation bond passed by the citizens of Raleigh on October 8, 2013.
- Assessments: A Public Hearing will be held through Raleigh's City Council to authorize this project as an assessment project. Assessments for the curb and gutter will be at an anticipated rate of \$32.00 per frontage foot for residentially zoned properties and \$64.00 per frontage foot for non-residentially zoned properties. Properties outside the city limits of Raleigh will be assessed for these improvements, however payment for the assessment will not be due unless the property is added to the City by annexation at a later date.

## **Upcoming Activities**

- Comments from tonight's meeting will be carefully reviewed and incorporated into the design where possible.
- Hold a second **Public Meeting** to review additional design and right-of-way impacts. This meeting is scheduled for Spring 2014.
- Conduct a **Public Hearing** through Raleigh's City Council to approve the project and authorize right-of-way acquisition. This meeting is scheduled for Summer 2014.
- Prepare the Final Engineering Designs, taking into consideration comments received at the second Public Meeting and Public Hearing.
- Acquire right-of-way and easements necessary to construct the project. Right-of-way acquisition is scheduled to begin after the Public Hearing in Summer 2014.
- Award the construction contract in Spring 2015.
- Complete construction of the project by Fall 2016.

### **Public Involvement**

This meeting is a continued part of a public involvement program for the proposed project and its purpose is to address the concerns of local citizens during the design process. Participation by all interested parties is encouraged and all comments will be taken into consideration during the design of the project. The City of Raleigh will notify citizens of the second Public Meeting tentatively scheduled for next spring. Additional information is available on the City of Raleigh's website at <a href="https://www.raleighnc.gov">www.raleighnc.gov</a> by clicking "Projects" or by searching "Sandy Forks Road" in the search bar.

A pre-addressed comment sheet is part of this handout and is for your use in providing us with your input regarding the proposed project. Please leave the comments with a representative of the City of Raleigh, or mail your comments to Mr. Chris Johnson at the following address by December 13, 2013:

#### CITY OF RALEIGH

Raleigh, NC 27602

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Thank you for your participation this evening. The City of Raleigh and RK&K appreciate your feedback and look forward to working with you to address your comments and concerns on this important project!



# 25% Corridor Public Meeting

Sandy Forks Road Improvements
From Six Forks Road to Falls of Neuse Road
Green Road Park and Community Center
4201 Green Road, Raleigh, NC 27604
Sponsored by: City of Raleigh and RK&K

## **December 5, 2013**

### Welcome

Welcome to the first public meeting for the Sandy Forks Road Improvements project. This is a meeting sponsored by the City of Raleigh to present the project's preliminary engineering designs, answer your questions and gather public comments on the roadway design. Please feel free to review the project maps displayed and ask questions of members of the project team here tonight from the City of Raleigh and the City's design consultant, RK&K. Thank you for your participation.

Beginning at 6:30 P.M., the public meeting will convene and a short presentation will be made that will provide a brief overview of the project and the preliminary design. We welcome your comments and questions following the presentation.

## **Project Details**

- Location: The proposed widening of Sandy Forks Road will begin at the intersection of Six Forks Road and extend to the intersection with Falls of Neuse Road. See Figure 1 for an overview of the project limits.
- Need/Benefit: The objectives of the project are to replace the failing pavement and improve safety and mobility for all users, including motorists, pedestrians, and bicyclists. Replacement of the existing pavement, widening the roadway, and construction of a center turn-lane, landscaped median, additional left-turn lanes, bicycle lanes, and sidewalks will accomplish these objectives. In addition, reconfiguring the intersection at Sandy Forks Road and Lynn/Spring Forest Road will reduce congestion.
- **Description of Roadway:** Existing Sandy Forks Road is primarily a two-lane roadway with cracked pavement and pot holes, no pedestrian or bike facilities, and a lack of turn lanes. The proposed project would replace the existing pavement and widen to include a single lane in each direction with either a center turn-lane or landscaped median, depending on the location along the project.
- **Pedestrians:** Sidewalks will be provided on both sides of Sandy Forks Road. Bicyclists will be accommodated with the addition of 5-foot bike lanes on both sides of Sandy Forks Road.