

Bourne Street Paving

The Bourne Street Paving Project will involve the asphalt paving of the existing City owned residential street. The unpaved portion of this street extends from Merriman Road in a westerly direction approximately 400 feet to the end of the street right-of-way. The City will hire an engineer to survey the street and prepare plans for street paving. Once plans and necessary permits are in hand, the City will hire a contractor to pave the existing slag covered street.

Front Street Streetscape

The 2010 Front Street Streetscape Project will extend the existing streetscape design on Front Street from Merriman Road to Alex Alford Drive. Streetscape will include new sidewalks with stamped concrete borders, new stamped concrete curbing, landscaping, and decorative lighting along the north and south sides of the street right-of-way. Plans also include improvements to existing driveways within the public right-of-way on Front Street from Fraser Street to Alex Alford Drive.

The City has hired Seamon Whiteside & Associates to design the project. Funding for this project will include a \$500,000 Community Development Block Grant from South Carolina Department of Commerce and grant assistance is being provided by Waccamaw Regional Council of Governments.

Harborwalk Renovation Project

The project consists of the renovation of the Georgetown Harborwalk facility adjacent to Georgetown Harbor in the Historic Downtown Commercial District. It includes removing the existing deck boards, handrail system, and lighting and replacing these components. The pressure treated southern yellow pine deck boards will be removed and replaced with lpe boards. The existing handrail will be removed and a new handrail system consisting of lpe posts and rails with stainless steel wire rope balusters will be installed. Existing light fixtures will be removed and replaced with new fixtures.

Historic District/Highway Corridor Circulation and Pedestrian Wayfinding Study

This study will produce a conceptual plan to connect, enhance and expand existing vehicle and pedestrian traffic and wayfinding systems while providing connections to vital Front Street/Historic District attractions, destinations, entertainment venues and other transportation infrastructure. The study area includes the Historic District of the City of Georgetown, particularly the Downtown District, and the primary highway corridors through town (Highway 17, 521, and 701). The estimated completion date is June 30, 2010.

Historic Resources Survey

The purpose of this project is to compile a comprehensive inventory of all structures located in the city's Historic District. Each parcel and its structures within the survey area will be recorded resulting in a comprehensive property inventory of the district. The results of this inventory will be used by the City of Georgetown and SCDAH for preservation planning, promotion of economic incentives for rehabilitation, heritage tourism development, education, and compliance with local, state, and federal preservation and environmental laws.

This project is funded, in part, by a Preserve America sub-grant from the US Department of Interior, National Park Service, administered by the South Carolina Department of Archives and History (SCDAH).

US Highway 17/City Hall Drainage Improvement Project

The City of Georgetown currently experiences severe flooding during moderate to heavy rainfalls in the area of City Hall. The runoff comes from a 200-acre basin that is a mixture of commercial, residential and industrial development. The flooding has a significant impact on two major evacuation routes through Georgetown and Horry Counties. In addition to the impassability of the aforementioned roads, the flooding affects a number of businesses and residences in the area.

Engineers have designed a drainage improvement plan that involves the construction of adequate piping systems, a stormwater pump station, force main and supplementary drainage system components generally along US Highway 17 (Fraser Street), Front Street, Wood Street, Dozier Street, US Highway 521 (Highmarket Street), Prince Street, Lynch Street, Duke Street, and the CSX right of way.