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Ceremony Celebrates Completion of Harbor View Road Improvements Project

Charleston County oversaw a major bond project funded by the Transportation Sales Tax

On Friday, April 21, 2017 leaders with Charleston County Government, the Town of James Island, and the City of Charleston celebrated the completion of the Harbor View Road improvement project. The goal of the project was to improve traffic flow and safety for drivers, bicyclists, and pedestrians. Improvements were made on approximately two miles between North Shore Drive and Fort Johnson Road. The 22-million-dollar project was identified as a priority by the Town of James Island, and the City of Charleston, and was funded by Charleston County's Transportation Sales Tax Program, and the <u>Charleston Area Transportation Study</u> (CHATS) federal Guideshares. Charleston County's Transportation Development staff managed the project in close coordination with the Town of James Island, City of Charleston and the S.C. Department of Transportation.

"Today we celebrate the completion of the Harbor View Road Improvements Project. It is an excellent example of tax payer dollars being put to good use," said Charleston County Councilmember Joe Qualey. "The much needed project will not only improve traffic, but also safety as the James Island community continues to grow. I want to thank our staff, the Town of James Island, the City of Charleston and the residents and business owners in the Harbor View Road area for their joint cooperation as we worked to complete this project."

Improvements include:

- A center two-way left turn lane between North Shore Drive and Affirmation Boulevard.
- Right turn lanes at major intersections between North Shore Drive and Fort Johnson Road.
- Traffic signals at Fort Sumter Drive and Mikell Drive.
- North Shore Drive converted into a right in, right out street.
- A roundabout at Harbor View Road and Fort Johnson Road.
- Pedestrian and bicycle facilities for the entire length of the project.
- More than 200 new trees and landscaping for the entire length of the project.
- New sidewalks along Harbor View Road.
- More than 22,000 feet of drainage pipe installed.

The public can expect to continue to see crews in the area over the next couple of months as punch-list items are handled.

Visit the official website at <u>http://roads.charlestoncounty.org</u> for public meeting notices and up-to-date news and information about all Charleston County Transportation Sales Tax road projects. Anyone with questions about the project can call Charleston County's Transportation Development Department at (843) 202-6140.

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