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Legacy Connector Pre-Construction Event Recap May 31, 2023

During the two-hour event, approximately 100 residents joined the Legacy Connector pre-construction walk. The event provided an opportunity to learn more about the project scope, tree protection plan, construction timeline, and more. We appreciate everyone's attendance and look forward to communicating more updates as construction moves forward. The following details were shared with event attendees.

The Planning Team Includes: Verdae Development, Inc (VDI), Kimley-Horn Engineering, Beau Welling Design, Harper General Contractors, Beyer Blinder Bell Urban Planners, and the City of Greenville

Environmental Advocacy Partners Involved: TreesUpstate, Upstate Forever, and Friends of the Reedy River

Environmental Compliance: Arbor Source and S&ME

Project Scope: The Legacy Connector will link existing infrastructure in Legacy Park to the Green Line of the Greenville County Prisma Health Swamp Rabbit Trail. This trail spur will provide a low-speed trail connection to/from Legacy Square, Legacy Park, and the SRT.

Legacy Connector Alignment: The path will have +/-1200 feet of paved asphalt surface at varying widths from 10'-11'. There is also a +/- 460 feet of elevated concrete surface, including an 80-foot bridge span crossing Laurel Creek. All elevated sections of the Legacy Connector will have railings.

Construction launch will happen by June 12th and will include the following:

- Tree clearing within the limited area of disturbance (+/- 15' wide)
- Clearing of unhealthy trees in proximity to the path
- Installation of silt fence to control erosion
- Installation of hard fencing for maximum tree protection

Construction completion is expected by the end of December.

Tree Preservation: Great care has been taken during planning to minimize impact to healthy trees. This work will continue during construction. An ISA Certified Arborist, Arbor Source, has endorsed the path alignment and tree plan. Additionally, Arbor Source will follow the project as a third-party inspector—an additional layer of tree care and preservation.

Tree Protection: Critical tree saves have been identified and will be protected. Durable (hard) fencing will be erected along the dripline of trees to maintain tree health during construction.

Construction Hours: This project will follow Hollingsworth Park Construction hours.

Monday-Friday (7am-7pm)

Saturday (8am-4pm)

Sunday (1pm-4pm)

No construction days include Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve, and Christmas Day.

Legacy Connector Landscape Plan: Strategic placement of the following will enhance buffering between the trail and private residences:

- 31 new canopy trees
- 12 new understory trees
- 96 evergreen shrubs
- 54 deciduous shrubs

The Legacy Connector construction area is now closed to the public. Please stay safe and stay out of the area.

You may follow construction updates at ImagineVerdae@Verdae.com.

Please share your thoughts and questions by emailing AskVerdae@Verdae.com.

