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Main Street Safety Project Online Open House Live!

The City of Springfield and the Oregon Department of Transportation have launched an online open house as part of their community engagement efforts for the Main Street Safety Project. It is now live at <http://openhouse.jla.us.com/springfield-main-street-safety> and will remain open until December 5.

Community input gathered during the planning phase of the project will build upon prior community visioning and planning efforts for Main Street, and input from the Our Main Street Springfield Governance Team and the Springfield City Council. The community's input is important to the success of the project and community members are encouraged to participate.

The online open house went live today, November 7, 2018 through the project website at <http://mainstreetsafety.org>. The online open house will gather input and feedback from the community to help inform what infrastructure safety improvements are desired and needed that will provide for the movement of goods and people, support the economic viability of the corridor, accommodate current bus service and future transit solutions, and complement ongoing traffic safety education and enforcement.

What: Launch of Online Open House for the Main Street Safety Project

Who: Community members, business and property owners on or near Main Street

When: Wednesday, November 7, 2018

Where: Online Open House available on the project website at <http://mainstreetsafety.org>

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Project Purpose:

Springfield's Main Street is consistently ranked as one of the most unsafe city streets in Oregon based on the severity and frequency of traffic crashes. The Oregon Department of Transportation and the City must address this problem to save lives, reduce injuries, and lessen property damage due to crashes. The purpose of the Main Street Safety Project is to select infrastructure solutions that will make Main Street safer for people walking, biking, driving, and taking transit.

The selected safety improvements will provide for the movement of goods and people, support the economic viability of the corridor, accommodate current bus service and future transit solutions, and complement traffic safety education and enforcement.