# STUART POINT ROAD SIDEWALK PUBLIC MEETING 4 SUMMARY & RECOMMENDATION

Beaufort County conducted an in-person Public Meeting on April 4, 2023, in conjunction with a Virtual Public Meeting from March 20, 2023, through April 20, 2023, for the proposed Stuart Point Road Sidewalk Project. This was the fourth public meeting held for the project.

The project is a proposed 8-ft sidewalk along S-70 (Stuart Point Road) from the US 21 (Trask Parkway) intersection to Delaney Circle/Abdullah Lane/Sea Crest Lane intersection. The sidewalk is approximately 2 miles long and will provide a safe route for residents along the corridor and connect to Whale Branch Elementary and Middle Schools. Stuart Point Road is a SCDOT-owned and maintained roadway with a present 33' right of way from the centerline of roadway or total 66' width from US 21 to Delaney Circle/Abdullah Lane intersection. The proposed design will remain within their present right of way, but there are areas of new right of way for drainage improvements or to save trees. The areas of new right of way were shown on the exhibits.

### **Meeting Summary:**

#### Time Period:

- Public Meeting: April 4,2023 from 5-7 pm at the Whale Branch Middle School Gymnasium, 2009 Trask
  Parkway, Seabrook, SC An informal, drop-in meeting format hosted by Beaufort County Engineering along
  with representatives from J. Bragg Consulting, Inc., and Infrastructure Consulting & Engineering, PLLC.
  Citizens were provided an opportunity to review the exhibits and have a one-on-one question/answer
  session with project representatives. There were 21 attendees.
- Virtual Public Meeting: March 20, 2023, through April 20, 2023 32-day virtual meeting hosted on <u>www.BeaufortCountyPenny.com</u>

#### **Advertisements:**

- 259 fliers were mailed to residents in the project area the week of March 17, 2023
- Press Release for public meeting published on March 28, 2023, and Reminder Notice on April 3, 2023
- E-mail newsletter was sent out to 585 recipients on March 20, 2023
- 7 Sales Tax "Yard" Signs were placed on Stuart Point Road on March 20, 2023

#### **Public Comments:**

Comment forms were provided at the Public Meeting, and eight in-person comment responses were submitted. No comments were received by mail, e-mail, or the online comment form. Comments with a valid address will receive a mailed response.

On the Comment Form, they were asked if they were "In Favor Of" the proposed project design by answering "Yes" or "No", do they reside near the project "Yes" or "No", and if they would utilize the proposed project. This is a summary of those who responded to the questions:

| Questions                                     | Yes | No |
|---|-----|----|
| Are you in favor of the proposed 8' sidewalk? | 8   | 0  |
| Do you reside near the proposed 8' sidewalk?  | 7   | 0  |
| Will you utilize the proposed 8' sidewalk?    | 8   | 0  |







#### **Recommendation:**

Based on the comments received from the meeting and previous meetings, it is recommended to proceed with the proposed 8' sidewalk along Stuart Point Road.

## **Comment Summary:**

Note: Comments are copied as is with no edits.

I'm looking forward to the pathway and I think it will be a great asset to the community.

#### Need to be maintain

A sidewalk is a definite need for safety purposes. I am very much in favor of this project and future projects such as water, and lights!!!

I think it is a very very good idea I am for it. For the safety for others and the kids. We need water & light

Superior. Thank you. Should BJWSA put piping in for water & sewer when dug up for pathway?

This is great for the stuart point community. Will there be trash can along the sidewalk?



