



Strip District Neighbors Town Hall/ Mobility Open House



**Excelitas – 2545 Railroad St.
April 29, 2026 5-7pm**

Mobility Open House Agenda

- Introductions
- Meeting Norms
- Open House Purpose and Goals
- Project Highlights
- Enjoy Tables and Boards



Introductions

Angie Martinez

Assistant Director, DOMI

Eric Setzler

Chief Engineer, DOMI

Zack Workman

Deputy Chief Engineer, DOMI

Mike Maloch

Municipal Traffic Engineer, DOMI

Mike Panzitta

Senior Project Manager, DOMI

Ernie Francestine

TDM Coordinator, DOMI

Jan Raether

Infrastructure Engagement Manager, DOMI

Rylan Seifert

Program Manager, DOMI

Patty Kerns

Senior Project Manager, DOMI

George Barrow

Principal Planner, DOMI

Paige Anderson

Project Manager, DOMI

Charlie Simon

Staff Engineer, DOMI

Jacob Williams

Communications, DOMI

Tobias Raether

Policy Analyst , DOMI



Meeting/Station Norms

- Listen to learn
- Assume best intentions
- Disagree respectfully
- Appreciate differences
- Be open to new ideas
- Be present
- Leave us with your thoughts and comment cards
- Please respect the 15 minute bell to allow others to participate



Open House Purpose and Goals

- DOMI's Goal: engage between engagements
- Learn about transportation projects planned in the Strip District
- Engage with city staff, neighbors and visitors
- Leave knowing how to stay connected



Strip District Parking Study

Status: procurement

- Goal: Issue recommendations for curbside changes to balance a desire for greater turnover for commercial businesses with the needs of residents and employees.
- Project Limits: Smallman (21st – 32nd), Penn (25th-31st), and numbered streets 21st to 32nd between Smallman and Liberty
- Project Manager: Rylan Seifert (Planning, Policy, & Permit Division)
- Funding: Local
- Parking Study Timeline:
 - Data collection: Summer/Fall 2026
 - Recommendations: Early 2027
 - Implementation: timing to be informed through study, likely 2027



Smallman Complete Street Project

Status: Pre-design, Public Meeting planned for Fall of 2026

- Goal: Improve multimodal safety along Smallman Street in the Strip District by reconstructing sidewalk, improving intersection safety and installing an outbound bike facility.
- Project Limits: Smallman St between 21st St and 36th St
- Project Manager: Mike Panzitta (Project Design & Delivery Division)
- Funding: DCED LSA & MTF
- Anticipated Construction Start
 - Summer 2027
- Anticipated Construction Completion
 - Fall 2027



Penn Ave Signals Improvement Project

Status: Preliminary Engineering

Goal: To enhance pedestrian and vehicular safety on Penn Avenue. Project will build upon existing "Penn Rightsizing" condition with improvements for pedestrians, transit riders, cyclists & motor vehicles. Bike lane will not extend past current limits.

Project Limits: Intersections between 17th Street to 32nd Street along Penn Avenue

Preliminary Project Scope:

- Replace traffic signals at five intersections
 - Remove traffic signals at two intersections, replace with all way stops
 - Adjust side street directionality at two cross streets
 - Reconfigure the intersection of Penn Avenue and 31st Street
 - Modifications to existing intersections include new curb, new ADA ramps, new sidewalk, concrete bump outs, updated pavement markings, and signage
- Project Manager: Paige Anderson and Patty Kerns, PE
 - Anticipated Construction Start: 2029

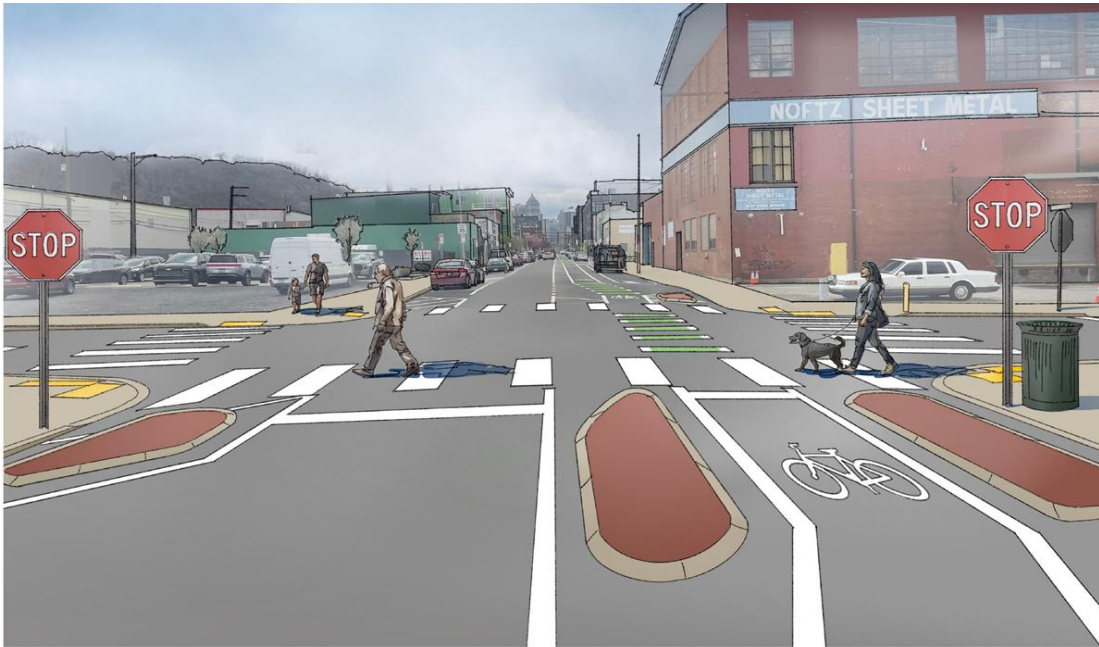


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Example Intersection Rendering:

Strip District, Penn outside the Core, 22nd-31st:



Example Intersection Rendering:

Strip District Core, Penn from 16th-21st:



- Project will build upon existing "Penn Rightsizing" condition with improvements for pedestrians, transit riders, cyclists & motor vehicles. Bike lane will not extend past current limits.
- All Way Stops are proposed at 25th and replacing traffic signals at 28th and 30th
- Operational changes to be explored on 21st: converting to 2-way travel
- Operational changes proposed at 31st: simplifying intersection by closing alleys to motor vehicles between Penn and Smallman alongside 31st St Bridge.



Liberty Highway Safety Improvement Project (HSIP)

Status: moving to construction

- Project Goal: The purpose of the Liberty HSIP Project is to ***update traffic signal infrastructure*** and ***improve corridor safety*** with a focus on people walking and taking public transit along Liberty Avenue.
- Project Scope: Liberty Ave from 11th Street to Herron Ave.
Improvements include: Traffic Signal Upgrades, Rightsizing of Liberty Ave, intersection bumpouts, and transit improvements
- Project Manager: Patty Kerns
- Project Cost: \$13.5 Million*
 - *A majority is coming from Highway Safety Improvement Project (HSIP) Funding
- Anticipated Construction Start: Winter 2026/2027
- Anticipated Construction Completion: Winter 2028



Project Delivery Timelines

	Q1 2026	Q2 2026	Q3 2026	Q4 2026	Q1 2027	Q2 2027	Q3 2027	Q4 2027	Q1 2028	Q2 2028	Q3 2028	Q4 2028	Q1 2029	Q2 2029	Q3 2029	Q4 2029	
Parking Study			Study and Analysis	* Implementation timing pending study and analysis *													
Liberty HSIP	Final Engineering		Bidding/Contracting			Construction											
Smallman Complete Steets		Engagement	Final Design		Bidding/Contracting		Construction										
Penn Ave Signals	Preliminary Engineering				Final Design						Bidding/Contracting			Construction			
28th Sreet Bridge	Preliminary Engineering		Final Design						Bidding/Contracting		Construction						



Additional engagement opportunities

- Pittsburgh Citywide Comprehensive Plan
- Penn Ave Rightsizing closeout
- 28th Street Bridge

General Information Boards

- Bike+ Plan (not staffed)
- Strip District Mobility Plan (not staffed)



Engaging with the projects

- Start at any station – spread out!
- Visit each board to learn more and share feedback using your comment card
- Listen for the bell – every 15 minutes
- Visit the Strip District Mobility Projects EngagePgh Page:



<https://engage.pittsburghpa.gov/strip-district-mobility-projects>

- Look for quarterly updates via Council District 1

