



## *Florida Department of Transportation*

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GOVERNOR

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Re: Community Conversation Open House with FDOT (In-Person and Virtual)

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District Seven invites you to attend and participate in Community Conversation meetings in Tampa's Urban Core as a follow up to the January 2023 Community Conversations hosted by the FDOT. The meetings will be an open house style format and will provide an update on the I-275 Capacity Improvements, Downtown Tampa Interchange (I-275/I-4) Safety and Operational Improvements projects, and the Tampa Heights Mobility Study and adjacent improvements.

Information will also be available on how previous community input on aesthetic enhancements and uses for community spaces are proposed to be incorporated as part of the Downtown Tampa Interchange (I-275/I-4) Safety and Operational Improvements project. Final design is ongoing and construction activities are anticipated to begin in mid-2023.

The meetings will be held in-person and virtually. Participants will have the opportunity to share feedback with FDOT staff and ask questions on the transportation improvements both in-person, and virtually via the online chat. The meetings will provide identical information and will be held on multiple dates to allow for maximum participation, so you only need to attend one.

### ***In-Person Meeting***

**Format:** Display boards and exhibits showing the proposed project improvements will be available in an open house format. An informational presentation will run continuously during the open house. FDOT staff will be available to receive feedback and answer questions.

### **Time and Location:**

**Tuesday, June 20, 2023, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Hillsborough County Bar Association – Chester H. Ferguson Law Center  
1610 N Tampa Street  
Tampa, FL 33602

Complimentary on-site parking and designated handicap parking are available. Hillsborough Area Regional Transit (HART) bus routes 1 and 6 provide bus services to access the meeting site.

### ***Virtual/Online Meeting Option***

**Wednesday, June 21, 2023, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

Those who cannot attend in person, may participate virtually by registering at [www.TampaBayNext.com](http://www.TampaBayNext.com). A narrated presentation will be shown at 11:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m., and 12:30 p.m. during the webinar. Staff will be available throughout the meeting time to receive feedback and answer questions via the online chat function. Display boards and exhibits showing the project improvements will be available for viewing during the meeting. Additionally, the material will also be posted online at [www.TampaBayNext.com](http://www.TampaBayNext.com) and [www.FDOTTampaBay.com](http://www.FDOTTampaBay.com).

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For more information, contact Justin Hall, Director of Transportation Development, Florida Department of Transportation by email [Justin.Hall@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Justin.Hall@dot.state.fl.us) or by phone at (813) 975-6133.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons requiring special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act to participate in this open house or persons who require translation services (free of charge) are asked to advise the agency at least seven (7) days prior to the open house by contacting: Roger Roscoe, FDOT Title VI Coordinator, at (813) 975-6411 or (800) 226-7220, or [Roger.Roscoe@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Roger.Roscoe@dot.state.fl.us). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800) 955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800) 955-8770 (Voice).

Comuníquese Con Nosotros: Nos importa mucho la opinión del público sobre el proyecto. Si usted tiene preguntas o comentarios, o si simplemente desea más información, por favor comuníquese con nuestro representante, Manuel Flores, (813) 975-4248, [Manuel.Flores@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Manuel.Flores@dot.state.fl.us), Departamento de Transportación de la Florida, 11201 North McKinley Drive, Tampa, FL 33612.

For more information about the I-275 Capacity Improvements Project, please visit the website at <https://www.fdot.com/project/706/431821-2-52-01>.

For more information about the Downtown Tampa Interchange (I-275/I-4) Safety and Operational Improvements Project, please visit the website at <https://www.fdot.com/project/839/445057-1-52-01>.

Sincerely,  
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