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### **Spring Hill citizens encouraged to comment on new Major Thoroughfare Plan at Dec. 9 town hall meeting**

**SPRING HILL, Tenn.** – All city residents are invited next month to give input on where major transportation routes should be added and how existing routes should be expanded to adequately prepare for Spring Hill’s anticipated growth over the next several decades.

Traffic congestion and the need to add additional major thoroughfares are among the most critical issues in Spring Hill today as our city is one of the fastest growing in the state. To ensure our long-term transportation needs are strategically planned and mapped out, the City of Spring Hill is updating its Major Thoroughfare Plan.

The plan, which projects arterial roadway needs through 2040, contemplates the need for major road construction projects, including addressing congestion on U.S. 31, adding an Interstate 65 interchange at Buckner Road, building a major east/west arterial road from U.S. 31 to U.S. 431 (Lewisburg Pike), and potentially extending Saturn Parkway to State Route 840, among other projects.

An extensive update to the plan is needed to prepare for continuing growth in Spring Hill, which is projected to double its current population of 32,069 within the next 20 years. The Major Thoroughfare Plan is being coordinated with the Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization, but citizen input is needed to ensure the plan fits the vision of its residents.

“If we expect to have 50,000 to 60,000 people in Spring Hill, and we want to encourage growth east of I-65, we have to create more connectivity across I-65,” said Infrastructure Director Dan Allen. “That will be a big part of this plan. We want to hear from the residents on the types of roads they would like to see built to help guide us through our future transportation needs.”

The town hall meeting will be a casual format allowing the public to drop by the Spring Hill Public Library, at 144 Kedron Road, anytime between 6 and 7:30 p.m. Dec. 9 to contribute ideas to the Major Thoroughfare Plan. The Spring Hill Planning Commission may consider the proposed new plan as soon as its January meeting.

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