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Public Input Sought for Design of Low Battery Seawall, Public Space

Charleston, S.C.—The city of Charleston Design Division is seeking public input on the design of the public space along the waterfront at the Low Battery Seawall.

The city will be undertaking an extensive reconstruction project to replace and raise the Low Battery seawall by 2.5 feet. The new seawall will be engineered and built to protect the city against regular flooding and sea level rise for another century.

The rebuilding of the seawall presents a unique opportunity to provide a better public space along the waterfront. The site has the potential to become a linear park where residents and visitors can better experience the water’s edge.

The design proposals can be viewed online at www.designdivision.org/lowbattery.

"This is a critical project for our city’s future," said city Planning Director Jacob Lindsey. "That's why we're working so hard to ensure that our citizens have as many opportunities as possible to examine alternatives and provide meaningful feedback during this early stage of the process."

There are five ways citizens can provide feedback on the design proposals:

- A survey that can be taken online in three minutes or less (https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/lowbattery).
- On site at an info booth, which will be set up with a public space demonstration at the intersection of King Street and Murray Blvd on the following dates and times:
  - Monday, July 17, 5 to 9 p.m.
  - Saturday, July 22, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
  - Sunday, July 23, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
  - Friday, July 28, 5 to 9 p.m.
  - Saturday, July 29, 3 to 7 p.m.
  - Friday, August 4, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.
• At an exhibit in the Charleston Civic Design Center located at 85 Calhoun Street where citizens can drop by on weekdays, July 13th through August 4th, 1 to 5 p.m.
• During a community open house on Wednesday, July 19th from 3 to 8 p.m. at the Civic Design Center where planners will give presentations at 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. and answer questions.
• At the Charleston and West Ashley Farmers Markets
  o Wednesday, July 12th, 3 to 6 p.m. (Ackerman Park)
  o Saturday, July 15th, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. (Marion Square)
  o Saturday, July 29th, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. (Marion Square)
  o Wednesday, August 2nd, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. (Ackerman Park)
  o Saturday, August 5th, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. (Marion Square)

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