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HDPT Begins Construction on New Facility

Harrisonburg, VA – The scenery at the Harrisonburg Department of Public Transportation (HDPT) has already started to change and not just because of the colorful fall leaves.

The City of Harrisonburg is excited to announce that construction of the new transportation facility is officially underway.

This project, approximately \$14 million, includes the demolition, design, and construction of an administration and maintenance building, service bays, fueling station, wash bays, and storage area.

For the next 10 weeks, construction will begin on two abandoned and open reservoirs. A wall between the reservoirs will be removed and two drain lines will be installed. This will be the future site for bus parking.

“Our transportation services to the community have increased and expanded throughout the years,” said Reggie Smith, Director of HDPT. “This project will not only benefit our community but also employees within the City of Harrisonburg.”

All construction will take place on the city-owned 13 acre-site at the intersection of East Washington and Vine streets.

While the infrastructure will be new, plans are already in place to reuse equipment from the current repair shop and administrative offices.

Smith added, “Throughout the construction, we will remain a fully-operable department. Services provided by this Department will not be interrupted during the construction of this facility.”

Of the seven proposals for consideration received, Howard Shockey & Sons, Inc. of Winchester, in association with RNL Design of McLean, Maintenance Design Group of Baltimore, and Valley Engineering of Harrisonburg was selected to build the facility.

The community is encouraged to follow the progress of this construction project at www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/new-HDPT-facility.

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Over time, the needs of **HDPT** have increased. In 1980, HDPT had nine taxi cabs, three mini buses, and three school buses in its fleet. Today, HDPT maintains and repairs all city-owned vehicles and has 43 school buses, 30 transit buses, and eight mini buses. More information about HDPT is online at www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/hdpt.

The pictures below show the maintenance shop, administrative offices, and fueling station.



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