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### **PRESS RELEASE**

# *Public Meeting Scheduled for Kings Road Bridge Replacement Project*

*City Engineering Department to give public presentation on replacement  
of Kings Road Bridge at Woodlawn Neighborhood Association meeting*

**SCHENECTADY** – The City of Schenectady Department of Engineering will be making a public presentation on the replacement of the Kings Road Bridge on **Wednesday, March 27, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Ancient Order of Hibernians**, 1748 State Street, Schenectady, NY 12304. The public meeting will be hosted by the Woodlawn Neighborhood Association.

“We are excited to be moving forward with this important infrastructure project and look forward to spreading the awareness and hearing input from the community,” **Mayor McCarthy** said. “The project will require significant coordination with local partners as the bridge crosses a major railway and has the second highest traffic volume of any locally owned bridge in the city.”

The City will work alongside the New York State Department of Transportation (DOT) and the Capital District Transportation Committee (CDTC) to complete the project. The bridge serves as a crossing over the CSX/Amtrak rail line along the City of Schenectady – Town of Rotterdam border.

The project is federally funded through the CDTC with expected total costs of approximately \$5.8 million. The actual construction work for the project is not anticipated to begin until 2020.

“This replacement is a critical infrastructure project for the City,” **City Engineer Chris Wallin** said. “It is also our goal working with our local partners and with input from the community to create a sustainable connection between neighborhoods that is pedestrian and bicycle friendly.”

Kings Road connects the city to I-890 via Highbridge Road, State Route 155, and also connects Albany County to NYS Route 7 and NYS Route 5 (State Street). Kings Road originally served as a 16-mile foot path connecting Albany to Schenectady, providing overland passage between the Hudson and Mohawk Rivers as early as the mid-17th Century.