



Vietnam Veterans' Memorial Bridge Replacement In-Person Design Public Hearing

What is happening?

The purpose of this design public hearing is to provide the public with the opportunity to become fully acquainted with the proposed project to replace the Vietnam Veterans' Memorial Bridge which carries I-391 over Route 116, locally Chicopee Street, in the Willimansett neighborhood of Chicopee. The bridge, though safe for all users, has reached the end of its useful lifespan and must be replaced to ensure continued multimodal connections along I-391 and Chicopee Street.

How will this affect you?

Staged construction will be used to maintain traffic on Chicopee Street and I-391 during demolition of the existing bridge and construction of its replacement. Limited detours and closures will be required at times to ensure public safety during certain operations. In addition to the full replacement of the bridge, the parking areas below the bridge will be consolidated to the south of Chicopee street. Enhancements are proposed for the Vietnam Veterans' Memorial Park. All views and comments submitted in response to the hearing will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.

When

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15th, 2025
6:00PM

Where

CHICOPEE PUBLIC LIBRARY
449 FRONT STREET
CHICOPEE MA 01013

Please note a stenographer's transcript will be taken at this hearing.

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Project inquiries may also be emailed to I-391bridgechicopee@dot.state.ma.us

Please submit any written statements regarding the proposed undertaking to: **Carrie A. Lavalley, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, Attention: MAJOR PROJECTS PROJECT FILE NO. 612187**