

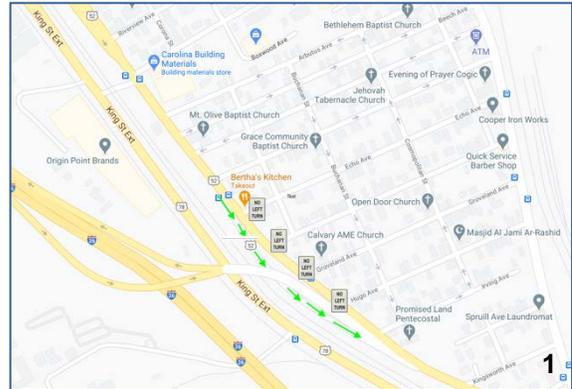
# Port Access Road Project August 2020 Update

The Port Access Road will connect I-26 to the SC Ports Authority's new Hugh K. Leatherman, Sr. Terminal in North Charleston with two inbound and two outbound lanes for all port-related traffic. A new fully directional interchange will also serve local and commercial vehicles with a Bainbridge Avenue connector road, an extension of Stromboli Avenue, associated improvements to local streets, and improved I-26/Meeting Street access ramps.



## Switching Meeting Street Eastbound

Drivers coming from North Charleston into Charleston along Meeting Street/Carner Road (US 52) will have a new route in September. For the past four years, both east and westbound traffic has been traveling on the north side of the I-26 - Meeting Street ramps. When the new Meeting Street/Carner Avenue (US 52) eastbound lane opens up between Delaware Avenue and Kingsworth Avenue, westbound traffic will continue to operate within a single lane while road improvements are made in the westbound direction. During construction and after traffic is permanently shifted back to a split configuration around the I-26/Meeting Street ramps, it will no longer be possible to turn left onto Meeting Street from Echo Avenue, Forrest Avenue, Groveland Avenue, Hugo Avenue, or Irving Avenue towards Charleston. On the westbound side, once the new barrier wall has been installed, asphalt will be placed and striped for two lanes heading to North Charleston.



## Demolition Underway for Stromboli Extension

An important local access improvement is a new Stromboli connection between Meeting Street/Carner Avenue (US 52) and Spruill. SCDOT recently acquired property for the right-of-way and is now demolishing an old warehouse in preparation to extend Stromboli. When completed, Stromboli will extend from Spruill to the new Bainbridge Connector road with median, curb, and gutter. Improved drainage will run alongside the new roadway to connect with the pipes which were recently placed at Stromboli and Spruill.

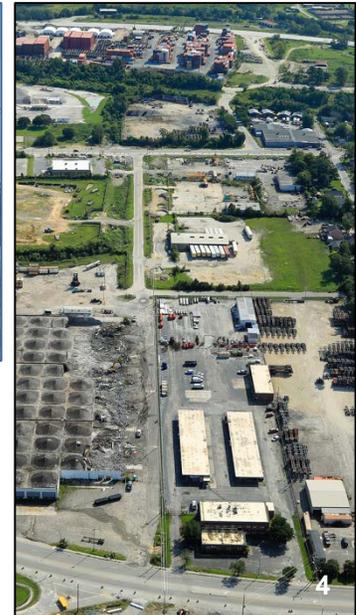


Photo 1: A map showing the new alignment of eastbound Meeting Street from North Charleston. (2) Barrier wall being constructed for the new eastbound lane as it passes under the Meeting Street ramps onto and off of I-26. (3) Demolition of the old warehouses where Stromboli will connect to Meeting Street/Carner Avenue, and (4) an aerial view of the demolition from mid-August.

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