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**SHELTERS AND SHELTER SITES ON CAPITOL SQUARE
Report of the City Engineer
To
Transit and Parking Commission
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This report summarizes the status of the proposed plan to replace the existing bus shelters around the Capital Square. The existing seven shelters will be removed and the following locations will have new shelters installed:

1. Mifflin Street at State Street
2. Mifflin Street at Hamilton Street
3. Main Street at Hamilton Street
4. Pinckney Street at King Street
5. Main Street at King Street (provided additional funds are secured)

The following two remaining bus stops will have the existing shelters removed and benches installed:

6. Carroll Street at State Street
7. Pinckney Street at Hamilton Street

Please see the attached diagram for proposed shelter and bench locations.

The footprint of the proposed shelter is approximately 8 feet by 20 feet. The framing consists of painted steel, which then will be fitted with glass panels. Each shelter includes built-in benches one interior and one exterior. See attachments for 3 dimensional renderings of the shelters and general specifications and construction documents.

The cost to fabricate a shelter is estimated at \$70,000, which does not include demolition of the existing shelters, relocation of utilities, new concrete base/foundation, and site restoration including sidewalk.

City Engineering will prepare final plans and specifications, which will be presented, to the Board of Public Works and Common Council. The bidding and award of the necessary public works contracts has been scheduled for completion in the fall of 2006. Construction will not commence in 2006 but rather in the spring of 2007 in order to avoid the risk of not having the new shelters completely installed prior to the upcoming winter season. Installation in the spring of 2007 will serve to enhance competition so that bids that are within the funds budgeted for this work and provide adequate time for shop fabrication of the shelters.

Larry D. Nelson, P.E.
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