



# City of Greensboro

Melvin Municipal  
Office Building  
300 W. Washington Street  
Greensboro, NC 27401

## Agenda Report

File Number: 2025-529

---

### Agenda Item# G.13.

**Agenda Date:** 7/15/2025. **Department:** Transportation

**Meeting Type:** Council Meeting **Category:** Consent Agenda

**Title:** 2025-529 Resolution Authorizing Construction and Maintenance Agreement with NCDOT, NCRR, and Norfolk Southern for P-5709 Franklin Boulevard Grade Separation Project

**Council Priority: Place an 'x' in the box.**

☒ Safest City

☐ Most Skilled Workforce

☐ Easiest Place to Do Business

☒ Most Connected City

☐ Youth Sports Capital

☐ Hub of Recreation and Entertainment

☐ Abundance of Attainable Housing

☐ Other/Admin Briefly Explain 3 word maximum

**Council District:** 1, 2

**Public Hearing:** No

**Advertising Date/By:** N/A

**Contact 1 and Phone:** Hanna Cockburn, Ext. 2861

**Contact 2 and Phone:** Tyler Meyer, Ext 2254

### PURPOSE:

A resolution needs to be approved to authorize Construction and Maintenance Agreement with NCDOT, NCRR, and Norfolk Southern for P-5709, Franklin Boulevard Grade Separation Project.

### BACKGROUND:

Project P-5709 is a major rail safety and mobility improvement that will replace the existing at-grade crossing at Franklin Boulevard with a rail-over-road grade separation. The project includes construction of a new underpass beneath the North Carolina Railroad / Norfolk Southern rail line, closure of the nearby at-grade crossing at O'Ferrell Street, and realignment of Franklin Boulevard and Burlington Road with Market Street/Huffine Mill Road. These improvements are designed to reduce vehicle-rail conflict points, enhance traffic safety and flow, and improve overall corridor connectivity in east Greensboro.

Under the agreement, the City will receive a non-exclusive easement to maintain the new roadway through the underpass, including responsibility for maintenance of the approaches, drainage, sidewalks, city-owned utilities, and other municipal elements. Norfolk Southern will maintain the rail bridge (superstructure and substructure), which remains owned by NCRR. The agreement also defines each party's obligations related to project permitting, utility coordination, inspection, long-term maintenance, and any eventual changes in use or abandonment.

*Vision Statement: "A Community with Endless Economic Opportunities and Exceptional Quality of Life."*

**BUDGET IMPACT:**

No additional City funds are required at this time. There will be future maintenance expenses.

**ACCOUNT NUMBER:**

NA

**RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:**

It is recommended that City Council approve the attached resolution authorizing Construction and Maintenance Agreement with NCDOT, NCRR, and Norfolk Southern for P-5709, Franklin Boulevard Grade Separation Project.