



If you were upset you missed [the public meeting held last July about the proposed changes to the portion of I-20/59 running through downtown Birmingham](#), you're in luck. ALDOT will be holding another public involvement meeting next Thursday, March 28, in [Boutwell Auditorium's](#) exhibition hall. The open house will take place from 4 - 7 p.m., with a public comment period occurring from 5 - 6 p.m.

Based on [the flyer being distributed through neighborhoods](#) immediately adjacent to the well-traveled stretch of asphalt, the purpose of the meeting is to go over plans for replacing the elevated section of I-20/59 between the 31st St. N. and I-65 interchanges. It also states they will also be talking about modifications to both of those interchanges in addition to an "11th Avenue Corridor Reconstruction from I-65 to I-59/20."

Those who've driven over to take a look at the new Westin hotel and Uptown entertainment district in recent days have probably noticed an increased presence by crews conducting soil testings ([as reported on al.com on March 17](#)). There may also be discussion about the effects of an expanded scope of project and whether any property will need to be acquired in order to carry it out.