

# Public Notice

## REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON USE OF FLYNN PARKLET IN HIGHLAND PARK

### Project Description

The Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project will provide a vital connection between downtown Pittsburgh and the Uptown, Oakland, and East End neighborhoods. The project includes changes to both physical infrastructure and transit operations along the proposed route. In order to implement BRT, we will need bus stops, bus shelters, bus lanes, layover areas and facilities for operators. The project sponsors include the Urban Redevelopment Authority, City of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County and Port Authority.

### We Need Your Feedback on the following:

The BRT project involves use of a small portion of Flynn Parklet in the Highland Park community. Flynn Parklet is protected by Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966 because it is a public park and recreation area.

The space would be used for a comfort station (bathroom facilities) for bus operators. The comfort station would occupy about 100 square feet of the Parklet near the corner of North Saint Clair Street and Bunkerhill Street. This location was selected because it is near the end of the route and would allow smooth operations and easy access for bus operators. Temporary construction will impact a slightly larger area of the parklet; however, Flynn Parklet will be fully restored once construction is complete.

Please note that this public notice is specifically for the use of Flynn Parklet and NOT for the entire BRT project. If you have general comments regarding the BRT project, provide your comments through [BRT@portauthority.org](mailto:BRT@portauthority.org).

It is the intent of the project sponsors to seek a Section 4(f) *de minimis* impact determination from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for the use of a small amount of parkland. A *de minimis* impact is one that will not adversely affect the features, attributes, or activities of a Section 4(f) resource.

Following a 30-day comment period and concurrence from City of Pittsburgh's Director of Public Works, FTA can make its *de minimis* impact finding.

### Please Send Us Your Comments

You are invited to submit comments on the proposed *de minimis* impact determination. Comments will be accepted through January 22, 2018.

### Please send all comments to:

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