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Sidewalk Reopens on North Arthur Ashe Boulevard Bridge

“in-house crew saves the city $51,500”

RICHMOND, Va. – The sidewalk has reopened and pedestrian access has resumed on the northbound side of the North Arthur Ashe Boulevard Bridge between Leigh Street and Avenue of Champions.

A routine bridge inspection in November revealed an emergency repair was needed to fix one of the concrete piers that supports the northbound sidewalk.

The Department of Public Works used its in-house Bridge Team for the job, which cost $33,800, compared to $85,300 it would have cost to use a contractor. That resulted in a savings of $51,500.

The November inspection revealed no safety concerns on the traffic lanes or the southbound sidewalk.

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