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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### ***Fifth Avenue Reopens to Traffic***

**Knoxville, Tenn.** – The Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) announced today that a section of Fifth Avenue from Hall of Fame Drive to Lamar Street will reopen to traffic on Friday, May 22, 2009. The street had been closed since May 7, 2008 to permit bridge demolition and reconstruction as part of the SmartFIX40 project in downtown Knoxville.

This renovated section of Fifth Avenue now includes: new curb and gutter, sidewalks, street lighting, traffic signals, turn lanes and landscaping. In addition, the new portion of Fifth Avenue is now aligned with Magnolia Avenue after crossing Hall of Fame Drive.

After the Memorial Day weekend a section of Magnolia Avenue, between Morgan Street and Hall of Fame Drive will be closed until June 5, 2009 to permit bridge painting. The detour route for Magnolia Street traffic will be from Hall of Fame to Fifth Avenue to Central Street to Magnolia.

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