

50 632
FILM

(LIVE ON)

Two ancient but serviceable

(ROLL FILM)

bridges in the downtown area are in the news again.

The Fifth Street Bridge--which some

(TAKE FILM)

motorists say belongs in a Transportation Museum all its own, will get a new deck, its first in some time. City Council will hear a committee recommendation Monday that it award a contract for nearly 54 thousand dollars to Regional Construction Services of Roanoke. The new deck will cost over 48 thousand, 800 dollars, with the City and the Norfolk and Western Railway splitting the cost. The remainder goes for water main repairs underneath. The bridge-- which has rattled and rumbled ominously for years-- has been the object of more concern than a last-place baseball team, and has been just as shaky. It will be closed when deck work begins and the First Street Bridge--also known as the Henry Street bridge--will be opened for two way traffic, to take up the slack.

(FILM ROLLING)

(FILM ROLLING)

The City's long-range Master Plan calls for a solution to the Fifth Street bridge problem someday--~~xxxxxxx~~ namely, another bridge.

~~(LIVE ON)~~

LIVE + RP

wlm.