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## Design Public Hearing Set for Roadway Improvement Project

Harrisonburg, Va. – Harrisonburg’s Public Works Department is hosting a design public hearing to inform the public about an upcoming roadway improvement project and to collect feedback.

**On Wednesday, May 13 from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. a design public hearing will be held at the Park View Mennonite Church, 1600 College Avenue.**

“The goal of this meeting is to better educate the community on this project and how it will impact the surrounding neighborhoods,” said Tom Hartman, assistant director of the Public Works Department. “The meeting also allows the public to preview the preliminary project plans and provide comments.”

This project consists of converting the intersection between Mt. Clinton Pike, Chicago Avenue and Park Road into a roundabout and providing further improvements to Mt. Clinton Pike, between Chicago Avenue and Virginia Avenue.

These improvements would consist of a center median, turn lanes, sidewalks, better drainage, utility relocations, signage and pavement markings. A shared use path will also be installed that will eventually connect with the Northend Greenway. Not only will these upgrades improve overall traffic operations, they will also enhance safety throughout the corridor.

Project Schedule:

- Design public hearing – May 2015
- Review comments – summer 2015
- Right of way acquisition and utility relocations – summer 2015 through early 2018
- Advertise for construction bids – 2018
- Construction to begin - 2018

Written comments related to the proposed project must be submitted to the Public Works Department by May 26, 2015. To review information pertaining to this project, visit [www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/mount-clinton-pike](http://www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/mount-clinton-pike).

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