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CITY HOSTS OPEN HOUSE TO SHARE ROUNDABOUT PLANS FOR NW WASHINGTON BLVD., W. ELKTON RD., AND NORTH B ST. AREA *Open House scheduled for April 24 at Hamilton Freshman School*

HAMILTON, Ohio (March 25, 2025) – The City of Hamilton and the Butler County Transportation Improvement District (BCTID), in coordination with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), are hosting a public open house on Thursday, April 24, to discuss developing plans for two roundabouts and improvements for pedestrians and bicyclists to be constructed in the NW Washington Blvd., W Elkton Rd., and North B St. area. The public is invited to review the plans and provide their feedback.

Roundabouts Open House

April 24, 2025 | 6 pm – 8 pm

Hamilton Freshman School

2260 NW Washington Blvd. | Hamilton, OH 45013

The first roundabout will be constructed at the intersection of NW Washington Blvd. and W Elkton Rd., near the Freshman School. The other will be constructed approximately 400 ft south at the intersection of W Elkton Rd. and North B St. A new sidewalk will be constructed along the north side of NW Washington Blvd. and the west side of W Elkton Rd., and a new shared-use path will be constructed along the south side of NW Washington Blvd. and west side of North B St. to make walking and riding bikes in the area easier and safer (see attached map for additional detail).

“Travel in this area is often hampered by congestion, and kids walking to school or riding their bikes either have to be on the grass or on the side of the road. This isn’t particularly pleasant or safe for anyone,” said Allen Messer, Director of Engineering for the City of Hamilton. “As we work to improve traffic flow throughout the City, our goal for this project is to slow down speeding vehicles, reduce congestion, and improve overall safety for drivers, area residents, pedestrians, and bicyclists, particularly as they move along busy roads near the elementary and high schools.”

Messer noted that compared to traditional intersections, roundabouts offer significant benefits by reducing travel speeds and conflict points. This calms traffic flow and allows vehicles to pass through the area more smoothly and efficiently.

“The roundabouts project began as part of the North Hamilton Crossing project, which is focused on reducing congestion and improving connectivity and travel safety through the north Hamilton area,” said Dan Corey, Director of the Butler County Transportation Improvement District. “But because the roundabouts can be completed as an independent project, we were able to move their planning and construction forward while we continue working to complete the preliminary studies for the broader North Hamilton Crossing project.”

Note: The North Hamilton Crossing project is currently still in development and a preferred route alternative has not yet been identified.

At the open house, attendees will be able to review detailed information and maps highlighting the roundabouts, new sidewalks and new shared-use path. Members of the project team will be present to answer questions and discuss current project status, as well as next steps. There will not be a formal presentation; participants can stop by at their convenience. Feedback received from the public will be reviewed and considered by the project team as they begin developing final plans for the project.

Funding has been secured for final design and construction of the roundabouts project. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2027.

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Anyone needing interpretation services or other reasonable accommodations to participate in the open house should contact Pat Yingling, City of Hamilton, at Pat.Yingling@hamilton-oh.gov or (513) 785-7271.

