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Public Meeting for Phase 1 of Walnut Street Improvement Project
U.S. 41 to Weinbach Avenue Stage 3 Design Released to the Public

EVANSVILLE, Ind. – The City of Evansville and the project design team will be presenting the Design Hearing Plans for Phase 1 of the Walnut Street Improvement Project, from U.S. 41 to Weinbach Avenue, at a public meeting on Tuesday, March 12, at the C.K. Newsome Center, 100 East Walnut Street, Evansville, IN 47713.

The meeting will run from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Project representatives will make a formal presentation starting at approximately 6:05 p.m. Immediately following the presentation the public will be invited to provide formal comments on the project design. Project representatives will be available to address questions at display stations after the formal comment session is closed.

The Walnut Street Improvement Project is a 3.1 mile road diet project from Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard to Vann Avenue, which involves reducing the number of vehicular travel lanes from four to three, with one east bound, one west bound, and a center two-way left-turn lane. The project includes the rehabilitation of the pavement, curb and gutter, and south sidewalk, along with the replacement of the north sidewalk with a multi-use trail. The project will be constructed in phases with the first phase slated to start construction in 2020 and subsequent phases to follow.

Phase 1, from U.S. 41 to Weinbach Avenue, is the first of three phases to reach Stage 3 design. This is the “middle” phase of the project connecting the newly constructed Pigeon Creek Greenway Hi-Rail Corridor and Lloyd Expressway Pedestrian Overpass with the University of Evansville campus. A separate Public Hearing will be held in the fall of this year for the remaining two phases from Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard to U.S. 41, and from Weinbach Avenue to Vann Avenue. The date and time for this meeting are yet to be determined.

“It is exciting to see continued progress on the design of the Walnut Street Improvement Project as we move closer to construction in the summer of 2020,” said Mayor Lloyd Winnecke. “This is another great example of the collaborative spirit that has permeated throughout our city and our region. Working together, we can accomplish so much more.”

For additional information about the project check out our project website at www.evansville.in.gov/walnutstreet.

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