Get Involved

VDOT representatives will review and evaluate any information received as a result of the public hearing. The comment sheet in this brochure is provided to assist in making your comments. You may leave the sheet or any other written comments in the comment box, or mail/email your comments.

Comments must be postmarked, emailed or delivered to VDOT by November 28, 2016 to be included in the public hearing record.

Mail comments to Mr. Hamid Misaghian at the address below or email meetingcomments@vdot.virginia.gov. Please include “East Elden Street Widening” in the subject line.

Project information shared here, including a summary of comments received during the comment period, will be available at www.virgiadiot.org/projects and at VDOT’s Northern Virginia District office.

Public Meeting

Welcome to the Virginia Department of Transportation’s design public hearing on the proposed widening of East Elden Street in the Town of Herndon. We look forward to your participation.

This public hearing is being held to provide an opportunity for citizens and organizations to give VDOT and the Town of Herndon their comments and/or suggestions on the proposed project. VDOT strives to ensure that all members of the community have the opportunity to participate in public decisions on transportation projects and programs affecting them.

VDOT and Town of Herndon representatives are present to discuss the project and answer your questions. A comment sheet is included in the handouts for this meeting, and your input is encouraged. All written comments received will be reviewed by VDOT, the Town of Herndon, and the design team. Comments will also be summarized and available on the VDOT project website.

Project Overview

Purpose – Reduce traffic congestion, improve access management, and create a multi-modal facility suitable for all users

From – Monroe Street

To – Fairfax County Parkway

Total length – 0.6 miles

Improvements – Widen East Elden Street (Route 606) from four to six lanes between Herndon Parkway and Fairfax County Parkway in the Town of Herndon; add bicycle and pedestrian facilities throughout the project corridor

The proposed bike lanes will then transition to raised cycle tracks located behind the curb and next to the sidewalk from Herndon Parkway to the Fairfax County Parkway. Crosswalks will be installed at select intersections, and all signals will be modified to accommodate these new facilities. Other improvements include:

- Landscaping and planted medians, where feasible along the corridor
- Undergrounding of aerial utilities between Monroe Street and Fairfax County Parkway
- Replacing the curbs under East Elden Street with a new bridge to provide better flow for Sugarland Run and to reduce potential flooding
- Adding bike lines from Monroe Street to Van Buren Street

These proposed improvements are intended to benefit all users of the corridor including drivers, cyclists, pedestrians and improve traffic operations along East Elden Street within the Town of Herndon.

**Estimated Project Cost**

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*Costs are subject to change as the project is further developed.

**Anticipated Schedule**

- **Public Hearing**: Oct. 27, 2016
- **Comment period ends**: Nov. 28, 2016
- **Right-of-way acquisition**: Summer 2018
- **Final Design**: Fall 2021
- **Project Advertisement**: Winter 2021

*Schedule for design, utilities, construction and other phases may be refined as additional funding is identified.

**Environmental Review**

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and 23 CFR 771, a Categorical Exclusion was prepared for this project. Pursuant to Section 6009 of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act – A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) and 23 CFR Part 774, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) intends to make a Section 4(f) de minimis finding for proposed right-of-way acquisition from parkland. In compliance with the Section 106 provisions of the National Historic Preservation Act and its implementing regulations, 36 CFR 800, information concerning potential effects on properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places is also included in the environmental document.

Copies of the document are available for review here tonight or can be viewed online at [www.virginiadot.org/projects](http://www.virginiadot.org/projects).

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