



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE  
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**Public Open House Invitation**  
**Downtown Transportation Improvements Project**

Dear Neighbor:

We are delighted to extend an invitation to you for a Public Open House, where we will unveil exciting plans for the upcoming Downtown Transportation Improvements Project on Main Street between Monroe St. and Erie St. While Phase 1 of this project will focus on the block from Monroe to Maplewood, Phase 2 will complete the overall project using the same design features, after the above ground utilities have been moved underground. This initiative not only focuses on improving the fundamental aspects of our transportation infrastructure but also includes thoughtful streetscape enhancements to enhance the aesthetic appeal and overall vibrancy of our community.

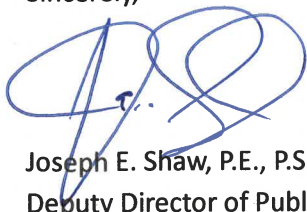
Here's a glimpse of some design elements that will be on display:

- **Landscaping and Green Spaces:** Learn about the incorporation of greenery and landscaping features along the roadway, providing a more attractive and environmentally friendly atmosphere.
- **Street Furniture and Amenities:** Discover the placement of benches, bike racks, and other street furniture designed to create inviting public spaces for residents and visitors alike.
- **Pedestrian-Friendly Features:** Find out about sidewalk expansions, crosswalk improvements, ADA developments, and other enhancements designed to make walking in our community a more enjoyable experience.

**The Open House will be held in City Council Chambers (6635 Maplewood Avenue) on Wednesday, April 17, 2024, from 5:30 - 7:30 PM.** This Open House is an opportunity for you to not only understand the broader scope of the construction project but also to actively engage with the streetscape elements that will define the character of our community.

We look forward to your presence, participation, and valuable feedback. Together, let's shape a Downtown that aligns with our collective vision for a vibrant and well-connected community.

Sincerely,



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