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## **Village of Lancaster Kicks Off Downtown Lancaster Roundabouts Project, Announces Opportunities for Public Participation**

Lancaster, NY

The Village of Lancaster initiated the Downtown Lancaster Roundabouts project in late 2019 and is now offering opportunities for the public to get involved. The project aims to address traffic congestion and improve pedestrian safety by changing the signalized intersections on Pleasant Avenue at Central Avenue and Aurora Street to roundabouts. The project will include evaluation and design of a “road diet” between the two intersections, providing for a future “Complete Street,” a transportation goal noted in the 2018 Joint Comprehensive Plan, which aims to provide safe access for all users. The Village aims to complete the design by December 2020 with construction anticipated to begin in 2021.

The consultant team assisting the Village with preliminary and final design services includes Mott MacDonald, EDR, Highland Planning, Watts Architecture & Engineering, Popli Design Group, and ROW Professionals.

The Village of Lancaster is hosting a public meeting to seek input from stakeholders and the general public about concerns, ideas, impacts (positive and negative) and opportunities of the project. The public meeting will be held on **Thursday, February 6, 2020 from 6:00 – 8:00 pm at the Lancaster Opera House at 21 Central Avenue, Lancaster NY.**

Representatives of the project team will also attend Lancaster Family Fun Night, Tuesday, February 11, 2020 from 5:30 – 8:30 pm at the Lancaster High School Field House to solicit feedback about the project and answer questions.

Additional public meetings will be held later in the design process to provide the public with project updates and an opportunity to provide input. More information about the project can be found on the Village’s website [www.lancastervillage.org](http://www.lancastervillage.org) as the project moves forward.