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City to Host Public Meeting on State Route 13

Community input sought on proposal to widen, reconstruct road

MOUNT VERNON, September 15, 2023 – The City of Mount Vernon will host a public meeting on a proposal to improve South Sandusky Street, or State Route 13. At the meeting, attendees will be able to discuss the project with City officials, ask questions and provide input. The details of the meeting are as follows:

Date: October 5, 2023

Time: 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Location: The Station Break Senior Citizens Center of Knox County

160 Howard St.

Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050

The proposed improvements will reconstruct and widen South Sandusky Street from West High Street to West Ohio Avenue, create a new, three-lane roadway on a new alignment from West Ohio Avenue to South Main Street to replace Phillips Drive, and re-route SR 13 in the City to better serve the needs of the traveling public.

The proposed improvements include new curb and gutter, sidewalk, shared-use path, two traffic signal replacements, one new traffic signal, water line, sanitary sewer, and drainage improvements.

To ensure that the decision-making process is comprehensive, input from local residents, businesses and commuters is needed. The open-meeting format will allow attendees to review the proposed project, although there will be no formal presentation. Representatives from the City, Ohio Department of Transportation and the project consultant (GPD Group) will be available to discuss the project and address questions.

Project questions may also be addressed to Brian Ball, P.E., City Engineer, at 740-393-9528. All materials presented during the public meeting will be available on the project website – www.MountVernonOhio.org/documents-library – immediately following the meeting. Comments may be submitted until Nov. 6, 2023 to the City Engineering Office, 40 Public Square, Mount Vernon, OH 43050 by mail, or email at PC@MountVernonOhio.org. Comments received by Nov. 6 will be compiled and posted on the website.

Persons who require interpretation or translation services or a reasonable accommodation to participate in this meeting should contact Mr. Ball at the phone number listed above at least 15 days before the meeting.

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ABOUT THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON:

The City of Mount Vernon is an innovative community with an authentic hometown feel. The City is dedicated to providing modern services with an emphasis on continual improvement, customer service and equitable laws that support our

citizens and visitors, while retaining and attracting investors in our community. Home to 17,000 people, Mount Vernon is the county seat for Knox County and boasts historic buildings and districts as well as business and professional, educational and recreational opportunities through many adaptive reuses of the community's infrastructure and spaces. The City has strong ties to higher education, with Mount Vernon Nazarene University, Kenyon College and Central Ohio Technical College operating satellite locations in the historic downtown. Located 40 miles northeast of Columbus, Mount Vernon is near the geographic center of Ohio and has connections all over the globe.

CONTACT: Todd Hill PHONE: (740) 393-9517 DATE: September 15, 2023