

**NOTICE OF OPEN-HOUSE PUBLIC DESIGN HEARING ON DESIGN OF M291 NORTH INTERCHANGE AT US50 IMPROVEMENTS (MHTC NO. J4P3196 & FED. NO. NHPP 2911091, STBG 3001(009), LEE’S SUMMIT, JACKSON COUNTY**

Notice is hereby given to all interested persons that an in-person public hearing will be held at Lee’s Summit City Hall – City Council Chambers, 220 SE Green Street, Lee’s Summit, MO on Tuesday, October 3, 2023, between the hours of 4:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Central Standard Time. Handicap access is available. Project plans and exhibits prepared by the City of Lee’s Summit, MoDOT and the design consultant, Olsson, will be available for public inspection at the meeting. All interested persons will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning their views on the design of the M291 North Interchange at US50 Improvements Project in Lee’s Summit with reference to the economic and social effects of such design, its impact on the environment and its consistency with the goals and objectives of the community. An open-house format will be used and persons may discuss the project and offer comments at any time between the prescribed hours. Written statements and exhibits as well as oral statements will be received at the hearing.

In conjunction with the in-person public hearing, an online public hearing format will also be offered from 4:00 p.m. October 3, 2023, through 4:00 p.m. October 17, 2023, and can be found at <https://www.modot.org/missouri-route-291-north-and-us-route-50-interchange-improvements-jackson>. During this timeframe all interested persons have the opportunity to review the same project plans and exhibits that were available at the in-person event, and submit comments or questions on the online public hearing website. Any written or emailed statements and exhibits received will be made part of the public hearing record.

The Project improvements include a new bridge structure, ramp reconstruction, US 50 pavement reconstruction between ramps, and realignment of Blue Parkway. The existing obsolete bridge structure will be replaced with a new bridge structure and will provide bicycle, pedestrian and ADA accommodations. The intersection of Blue Parkway will be moved north to the existing location of SE 7<sup>th</sup> Terrace, in order to more properly separate intersections, signal operations and implement access control; therefore, alleviate congestion and improve safety. The purpose of the proposed improvements is to improve the safety and functionality of the overall transportation system in the area as well as replace obsolete infrastructure to address existing level of service, accommodate growth and facilitate economic activity.

Copies of this information can be provided by written request to the office of the City Engineer of the City of Lee’s Summit, 220 SE Green Street, Lee’s Summit, MO. Written statements and exhibits will be made a part of the public hearing transcript if received before 4:00 p.m. October 17, 2023.

If you are disabled and require special services at the October 3, 2023 public hearing, please notify Craig Kohler, Project Manager at 816-969-1800 so that arrangements for those services can be made.