.THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION – HIGHWAY DIVISION NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING Project File No. 606555

WHERE: Northampton City Hall – Hearing Room

210 Main Street Northampton, MA

WHEN: Monday, March 6, 2017 at 6:30 PM

PURPOSE: A Design Public Hearing will be held by MassDOT to discuss and provide the public with the

opportunity to become fully acquainted with the proposed Route 5/10 (North King Street) and Hatfield Street intersection roundabout project in the City of Northampton, MA. All views and comments made at the hearing will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.

PROPOSAL: The project involves the construction of a roundabout, roadway realignment, sidewalk, crosswalk, drainage, sewer and water systems improvements at the intersection of Routes 5/10 (North King Street) and Hatfield Street in the City of Northampton. The project is being designed by the City. The project area extends approximately 600 feet along North King Street at Hatfield Street and 500 feet along Hatfield Street. The project goals are that construction of a roundabout and related improvements will improve overall traffic flow and safety as well as provide safe accommodations for pedestrians and bicyclists. Sidewalks will be provided on the west side of Hatfield Street and Route 5/10. A section of sidewalk will be also be constructed on the east side of Rt 5/10 from the proposed rotary north.

A secure right-of-way is necessary for this project. Acquisitions in fee and permanent or temporary easements may be required. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts is responsible for acquiring all needed rights in private or public lands. MassDOT's policy concerning land acquisitions will be discussed at this hearing.

Written views received by MassDOT subsequent to the date of this notice and up to five (5) days prior to the date of the hearing shall be displayed for public inspection and copying at the time and date listed above. Plans will be on display one-half hour before the hearing begins, with an engineer in attendance to answer questions regarding this project. A project handout will be made available on the MassDOT website listed below.

Written statements and other exhibits in place of, or in addition to, oral statements made at the Public Hearing regarding the proposed undertaking are to be submitted to Patricia A. Leavenworth, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, Attention: Roadway Project Management, Project File No. **606555**. Such submissions will also be accepted at the hearing. Mailed statements and exhibits intended for inclusion in the public hearing transcript must be postmarked within ten (10) business days of this Public Hearing. Project inquiries may be emailed to dot.feedback.highway@state.ma.us

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