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## Public Information Meeting for Maplewood Avenue Reconstruction to be held Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>

PORTSMOUTH, NH – The Department of Public Works will host a public information meeting regarding plans for the Maplewood Avenue utility and roadway design project on Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m. in Portsmouth Library's Levenson Room. City staff, together with design consultant GPI, will explore potential design options and opportunities surrounding the project.

The scope of this project design will include full road reconstruction of Maplewood Avenue, spanning from Woodbury Avenue to the Maplewood Avenue Bridge over the Route 1 bypass. Cutts Street, Central Drive, Leslie Drive and Fairview Drive will also be areas of focus in the designs, including utility and roadway improvements. The streetscape plans for this project will include "complete street" components to create streets that improve safe access for pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists, and public transportation users of all ages and abilities. The project will also include a significant utility component, with water replacement, and sewer and drain improvements.

This is the second public meeting regarding the project, following an initial meeting in December. At this meeting, residents will receive overview of past public comment in addition to details on conducted traffic counts, parking studies and concept development. A complete preliminary design of this project is anticipated this summer.

For more information on this project, please contact Raymond Pezzullo, Assistant City Engineer, at 766-1755 or rcpezzullo@cityofportsmouth.com. The public can also reference:

• http://cityofportsmouth.com/projects/maplewoodave.htm

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