



Start Westward Muskingum Park Enhancements

Date Issued: February 1, 2021

RE: Virtual Public Meeting

Dear Neighbor,

The City of Marietta would like to invite you to participate in a virtual public meeting. Public input is an important part of the project development process and provides valuable feedback that helps guide decision-making through all phases of development. The city is proposing a multiple Phased project to restore or recreate the Start Westward monument, pylons and river landing in East Muskingum Park; and to make several improvements to the park, the museum district, Front Street and adjacent streets to support the monument project. Our first public meeting will focus on the elements of the project to be performed in Phase 1.



Phase 1 of the Start Westward Muskingum Park Enhancements Project extends from Putnam Street at the downstream end to the Washington Street bridge at the upstream end, plus the shared-use-path from the Armory to Muskingum Park. The focus of this project are improvements to East Muskingum Park and Front Street that will support the future disposition of the Start Westward Monument that are being developed separately by the City of Marietta. Elements that are proposed for Phase 1 include:

- New curbs along both sides of Front Street from Putnam Street to Wooster Street.
- Parallel Parking on Front Street within museum district.

- New sidewalk with ADA compliant ramps on the river side of Front Street from Putnam Street to Wooster Street.
- New access into Muskingum Park
- Historic lighting on both sides of Front Street from Putnam Street to Wooster Street.
- Modification of the gazebo to provide ADA access, and enhancement of gazebo to provide lighting and sound system.
- Rehabilitation of the river landing.
- Widening and resurfacing the shared-use-path in Muskingum part, and resurfacing the path from the Park to the Armory.
- Special City signage directing public to the Park and facilities.

We hope that you can join us for the upcoming virtual public meeting where we will explain the project, answer your questions, and request feedback. To comply with Governor DeWine's guidelines regarding limiting social gatherings in response to COVID-19, there will not be an in-person component to the meeting. It will be held online with the option to call in by phone.

VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING
Tuesday, February 23, 2021
Presentation at 6:00 p.m. followed by Q&A Session
Join online: <https://publicinput.com/A7143>
Join by phone: 855-925-2801, meeting code 9512

For more information on the proposed projects, please visit: <http://www.mariettaoh.net/index.php/52-news/288-start-westward-project>. New information will be added to this site as it is developed, with all relevant content posted by the day of the virtual public meeting. Following the meeting, a recording of the presentation and response to questions will be posted to the site.

All materials presented during the virtual meeting will be available on the meeting link above. If you do not have internet access and would like these materials mailed to you, please contact the individual listed below. Included with this letter is a comment form that can be mailed back to the City of Marietta. Comments may also be submitted via email, phone, or mail to:

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We ask that comments be submitted by March 23, 2021.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, sex, age, national origin, or disability. Individuals who require interpretation services or a reasonable accommodation to participate in this meeting should leave a voice mail or email for return contact.

We sincerely appreciate your involvement!

Respectfully,

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