

# Public Comment Form

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**Public Works - Engineering Division**  
**City of Columbia**  
**PO Box 6015**  
**Columbia, MO 65205**

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### Comments:

I am pleased to see this project.

This intersection represents/poses a safety problem.

*There is space for additional comments on the back of this form*

**\*\* The personal information requested below is not required and could be made available to the public.**

Signature: Dennis Bottenhausen

Dennis Bottenhausen  
Name

E-mail

9300 E. Turner Farm Road Columbia MO 65201  
Mailing Address City State Zip

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### Comments:

Please consider the surface finish/color of the inner ring, as the finish on the roundabout @ Sinclair/K/Old Plank Rd is a horrible color like used motor oil and is too difficult to see in low visibility conditions (rain, night). Please fix that with something reflective, if possible.  
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Signature: Varyanna C. Ruthengael

Varyanna Ruthengael  
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### Comments:

1. Close gas station entrance of Little General that is across from Vermillion. Instead move to connect that entrance at the turnabout on ~~Old Plank Road~~ Old Plank Road. Dangerous if car is leaving left onto K from Vermillion while people are turning left out of that gas station entrance.

2. Pedestrian signs should say "Stop for Pedestrians" than "Yield for Pedestrians." Lot of students and older adults may not know to stop. Lighting there at night would help to see

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Signature: Gina Lynn Newby

Name Gina Lynn Newby E-mail gnewby4<sup>u</sup>@hotmail.com

Mailing Address 1670 W. Amos Dr. City Columbia State MO Zip 65203

pedestrians.

3. Definitely like the idea of barricades to keep pedestrians ~~and~~ and oncoming cars from trying to pass a slow car as soon as they exit the roundabout. I could see that would happen if no barricade and more accidents at Vermillion. So KEEP barricades as you have them.

4. Lower speed limits before Break Time and at Gateway South on the other side.

5. I'd rather have a stop light with solid left turn arrows and left turn lanes by Vermillion. This is next best idea.

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## RT K/ Old Plank Rd Roundabout

2 messages

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**Diane Norb** <ndgiessman@gmail.com>

Mon, Mar 6, 2023 at 1:41 PM

To: Allison.Anderson@como.gov, John.Ogan@como.gov

Thank you for the opportunity to view information and ask questions about the proposed roundabout construction at Rt K and Old Plank Rd. We will not be able to attend the meeting on March 16th where, I am sure, you will be answering these questions.

What is the plan for traffic access to all roads involved during the construction?

What are the plans for maintaining the integrity, such as is it, of the bike lanes on Rt K that were federally funded?

Thank you for your time  
Diane Giessman  
6206 S Ridgewood Rd

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**Allison Anderson** <Allison.Anderson@como.gov>

Tue, Mar 7, 2023 at 9:50 AM

To: Diane Norb <ndgiessman@gmail.com>

Cc: John.Ogan@como.gov

Hi Ms. Giessman,  
Thank you for your interest in the project.

To address your question about the traffic access, we have not designed the construction traffic control for the project yet. Access will be maintained to roads and businesses, but there will most likely be detours during various phases of the construction.

To address the bike lanes, the lanes will be maintained as the legs approach the roundabout. At the roundabout, the bicyclist will be able to access the sidewalk to use the sidewalks to navigate the intersection or will merge with the vehicles in traversing the roundabout.

Thanks, Allison

*Allison Anderson, PE*  
*Engineering Supervisor*  
*City of Columbia - Public Works*  
*701 East Broadway*  
*Columbia, Missouri 65205*  
[Allison.Anderson@CoMo.gov](mailto:Allison.Anderson@CoMo.gov)  
*(573) 817-5048*

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**Fwd: [PubW]: Rt. K & Old Plank Rd. Roundabout Project**

1 message

Allison Anderson <Allison.Anderson@como.gov>  
To: Elizabeth Farr <elizabeth.farr@como.gov>  
Cc: Nazmul Hussain <Nazmul.Hussain@como.gov>

Mon, Mar 20, 2023 at 11:03 AM

Hi Elizabeth,

Would you please add this comment to the comments from the IP meeting for Rt K/Old Plank Roundabout? I have already responded to the property owner; so you don't need to worry about responding.

Thanks, Allison

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From: **Stephen Chott** <slchott@gmail.com>  
Date: Thu, Mar 16, 2023 at 10:03 PM  
Subject: [PubW]: Rt. K & Old Plank Rd. Roundabout Project  
To: <pubw@como.gov>  
Cc: Mary Chott <marychott@gmail.com>

Hello Columbia Public Works:

I appreciate the informational open house held today to give more details regarding the roundabout at Route K and Old Plank Road. Unfortunately, the addition of a roundabout will only make matters worse for many living on the north side of Route K that need to turn left across traffic to come into town.

The amount of congestion at certain times of the day has only increased with the growth of the city and county subdivisions further out and a roundabout will only make that worse. As vehicles travel east toward the roundabout they will slow down. This slowing down will tighten up the distance between vehicles making it difficult to safely enter the roadway. Also, vehicles exiting the roundabout (both from Route K and from Old Plank) will be accelerating and preventing a safe entrance to the roadway. Those of us in the Gateway South subdivision will find it difficult to go into town at certain times of the day.

There is one thing that the city could do before construction of the roundabout that would make it easier and safer for Gateway South residents to come into town. The north terminus of Gateway Blvd and the south terminus of Keegan Court were originally intended to be connected together. The easement is already there for the road. This 450' of undeveloped roadway could be completed and the residents of Gateway South could safely travel without risking Route K.



Another thing that hasn't been considered in this plan is the fact that the hill on Route K just west of the entrance into the Dollar General is extremely dangerous with a very short line of site. This should be taken care of before any construction on the roundabout begins.

I believe the safety and traffic flow issues could be addressed without using a roundabout. If the end of Old Plank was modified to come to Route K at a 90 degree angle and Route K was improved to three lanes (with center lane being a turn lane) between the entrance to Bonne Femme and the entrance to Dollar General, traffic flow and traffic safety

would both be improved.

I would appreciate being apprised of any changes or updates to your plan.

Best Regards,  
Steve & Mary Chott  
[6441 S Allton Park Road](#)  
Columbia, MO 65203

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From: <[kdzmom@centurytel.net](mailto:kdzmom@centurytel.net)>

Date: Fri, Apr 7, 2023 at 10:21 AM

Subject: Route K roundabout

To: <[Allison.Anderson@como.gov](mailto:Allison.Anderson@como.gov)>, <[John.Ogan@como.gov](mailto:John.Ogan@como.gov)>

I was unable to attend the open house on March 16. I would like to express my support for this project. I drive this area every day and I feel that this will be a great opportunity to make traveling Route K safer.

Thank you,

Judi Pastorino  
1840 West Way