



# CITY OF HARRISONBURG PUBLIC WORKS

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## City seeks public feedback on Downtown Master Planting Plan throughout June

HARRISONBURG, Va. – The City of Harrisonburg is inviting community members to review and provide feedback on the proposed Downtown Master Planting Plan throughout the month of June.

The Downtown Master Planting Plan is a vision for enhancing Downtown through expanded landscaping, street trees, seasonal plantings, public spaces, gateway features, pollinator habitat and other improvements intended to strengthen Downtown’s identity and create a more welcoming pedestrian experience.

The plan explores opportunities throughout Downtown, including entry gateways, streetscapes, parks, parking areas, landmark locations and green corridors. Concepts included in the plan seek to improve walkability, support local businesses, expand shade and green space and create more vibrant public spaces for community members and visitors.



*(Above) Pollinators located at Court Square in Downtown Harrisonburg. The new Downtown Master Planting Plan will help enhance Downtown through expanded landscaping and other measures.*

Community members can participate by reviewing the Downtown Master Planting Plan presentation and the Downtown Master Planting Plan report, both available on the [Urban Forestry Program website](#). Community members can provide feedback on the [public survey](#) through **June 30**.

“This plan represents an opportunity to imagine how strategic landscaping and green infrastructure can enhance the Downtown experience while creating more comfortable, attractive and connected public spaces,” Public Works Greenspace Manager Jeremy Harold said.

The plan is funded through a Virginia Department of Forestry (VDOF) grant and was created in partnership with the [Virginia Tech Community Design Assistance Center](#) (CDAC). Visit the [Public Works website](#) for more information.

Written or oral questions and comments may be submitted to Public Works Outreach and Communications Specialist Maya Waid by emailing [maya.waid@harrisonburgva.gov](mailto:maya.waid@harrisonburgva.gov) or calling 540-434-5928.

*The **City of Harrisonburg** is centrally located in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. It is home to approximately 56,879 people. More information about the City of Harrisonburg is available online at [www.HarrisonburgVA.gov](http://www.HarrisonburgVA.gov).*

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