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Liberty native Patrick Kelly and his firm submitted this winning design for the roundabout at the junction of Routes 55 and 52 in Liberty.

Liberty native wins design for second Liberty roundabout

LIBERTY — Completion of the reconstruction project of Route 52 in Liberty is here, and the Liberty Community Development Corporation (LCDC) has announced the winning design for the second roundabout: it belongs to Liberty native Patrick Kelly and his partners at KBC Designs, Jason Bajor and Zack Comstock.

The roundabout design plan, the American Flag in the center of the circle, and the landscaping around it makes the central island its focus, and will include a raised plant bed with hardy low growing plants and shrubs. "The design emphasizes the roundabout as a gateway or prominent entranceway that helps to orient visitors to the environment" says Kelly.

The design is the result of a four month search by the Liberty CDC's Public Spaces Committee. According to committee chairman Gary Siegel, a request was

put out in January, 2007 for design ideas and many members of the community responded. He adds: We received feedback that the first roundabout design should have included the American Flag, but due to the lack of power and lights, it was not feasible to include one at that location. The committee worked with the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) to include power in the second circle, so that Old Glory can be flown in compliance with the rules that govern flying an American flag.

The traffic circle is located at the junction of Route 55 (Neversink Road) and Route 52 (Mill Street) in the Village of Liberty.

For more information on the LCDC visit their website at www.liberty-cdc.org.