



Transportation Project Updates

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2023 Construction Projects**Annual Street Resurfacing Project**

This suite of projects encompasses the majority of the City's Street resurfacing activities and includes some asphalt path resurfacing. Local resurfacing work in 2023 is scheduled to occur in the area bounded by Washtenaw, Geddes Ave and Huron Parkway, although there will be additional work scheduled with the Road Bond funding outside of that area. Asphalt path resurfacing is being planned along segments of Huron Parkway. Once a complete list of locations has been determined, it will be posted on the [project website](#) and on the [project tracking dashboard](#)

Scio Church Road (Maple to Seventh)

The project includes watermain and stormwater work, resurfacing, installation of bike lanes, new sidewalk, and crosswalks. More information is available on the project [website](#). Construction is currently underway and is expected to be completed in August.

State Street Improvement Project (William to Huron)

The project scope includes resurfacing, watermain work, non-motorized improvements, and installation of our first curb less street (William to Washington). Phase 1, (William to Liberty) was substantially completed in 2022. Phase 2 (Liberty to Huron) is currently underway and is scheduled to be completed before Labor Day.

Platt Road (Huron Parkway to Packard)

This is a federal aid project the consists of resurfacing, watermain replacement work, an all ages and abilities bike facility, and pedestrian improvements. Construction is currently underway and is scheduled to be completed in August.

Broadway Street (Plymouth to Plymouth)

This project includes the replacement of an aging watermain as well as resurfacing of the street. The project will also replace the existing speed humps, add crosswalks, and fill sidewalk gaps on the north side of the road at the east end of the project. More information is available on the project webpage at www.a2gov.org/Broadway. Construction is currently underway and is scheduled to be completed in August.

Geddes Ave Resurfacing (Observatory to Highland)

This project includes resurfacing, stormwater improvements, and crosswalk upgrades. Sidewalk and retaining wall work to remove the stairs in the sidewalk near Onondaga has been removed from this project and will be done under a separate contract later this year. Construction is scheduled to begin the first week of May.



South Main Street Watermain & Resurfacing

This project consists of replacement of the watermain and resurfacing of the street from Huron to William. Public engagement is ongoing with the adjacent business owners and the DDA. More details can be found on the project website at www.a2gov.org/smainwatermain. Construction has now begun on Phase 1 of the project, and Main Street is closed to vehicular traffic between William and Liberty. The current phase is expected to last through early May.

Huron Parkway/Glazier Way Capital Preventative Maintenance Project

The scope of this project includes the application of a cape seal treatment over the existing pavement on Huron Parkway (Geddes to Hubbard) and Glazier Way (Green to Earhart). When the pavement is restriped following the treatment, edge lines will be added on Huron Parkway (narrowing the travel lanes slightly), and buffered bike lanes will be installed on Glazier Way. Construction is scheduled to start May 8th and take about a month to complete.

Projects Currently in Design/Planning

E. Medical Center Drive Bridge

This project is to perform preventive maintenance of the bridge leading to the hospital campus. At the University's request and cost, the bridge is proposed to also add a vehicular travel lane. Award of the construction contract went to City Council on January 23rd. A substitute Resolution was submitted and approved by Council at the February 21, 2023 meeting that directs staff to continue working with UM to widen the bridge further to add additional pedestrian/non-motorized infrastructure to the bridge. At this time it is anticipated that the redesign work will occur in 2023 and construction will tentatively take place in 2024.

Seventh Street & Greenview

This project consists of watermain replacement and resurfacing on South Seventh Street between Scio Church and Greenview, and on Greenview between Seventh and Scio Church. The Seventh Street portion of the project includes stormwater improvements in the scope and may include road narrowing, raingardens, sand filters, and/or underground stormwater storage. Council directed staff in November to develop new designs that narrow the road using speed management tools and then integrate an appropriate all ages and abilities bike route; and to present the new designs to the public for feedback. This additional work is underway, and the construction of the project will be delayed to 2024. The first public meeting for the redesign work is scheduled for April 25th at 6:00 p.m. at the Pittsfield Branch Library. See the [project webpage](#) for further information.

Greenview (Stadium to Scio Church) Watermain Project

This project includes resurfacing as well as watermain replacement. Given that the street is somewhat wider than necessary and is a cut-through between Stadium and Scio Church, staff will be exploring ways to calm traffic and include an All Ages and Abilities bike facility. An initial public meeting was held for this project on March 16th. Information



from this public meeting can be found on the [project website](#). Construction is scheduled for 2024.

Other Updates and Information

Micromobility

The City and the University of Michigan have an Agreement with Spin to have up to 400 dock-less e-scooters available for public use. The proposal to add up to 100 dock-less e-bikes to the pool of vehicles was approved by City Council at their meeting on March 20, 2023. The new e-bike service began on April 1, 2023, with a public roll-out event held on Monday, April 3, 2023.

Proposed Project	FY24	FY25
Earhart Non-motorized elements	\$300,000	
Install Streetlights at uncontrolled crosswalks	\$250,000	
Upgrade Crosswalks	\$250,000	\$500,000
Create protected bike lanes	\$200,000	\$500,000

More information is available online at:

<https://www.a2gov.org/departments/sustainability/Pages/2022-Community-Climate-Action-Millage-.aspx>

Streetlight Implementation

DTE has reported fixing 199 streetlights so far in 2023. New streetlights were installed at Geddes/Harvard.

Traffic Calming Program Submittals

Granger (Forest to Olivia) had its second meeting on 4/12/23; and Fulmer (Miller to Foss) will have its second meeting on 5/3/23. Baldwin (Packard to Stadium) will had its first meeting on 3/20/23. Manchester (Buckingham to Needham) will have its first meeting on 4/27/23.

The Traffic Calming Subcommittee had its latest meeting on 4/4/23.

Transportation Implementation Plan Update

The Vision Zero Implementation Subcommittee will hold their next meeting on Monday April 24 at 7:00pm.

Speed Management Program Development –Staff are working with Sam Schwartz in the development of small group interviews as more elements of the program are reviewed and refined. These should take place during the summer.

Annual Snapshot – Final edits are underway for the Annual Snapshot focusing on the work that has taken place throughout 2022.



Carbon Reduction Program Grants

The City of Ann Arbor was awarded \$1.18M in Carbon Reduction Program Funding for two projects that support the A2Zero and Vision Zero plan implementation. The first is a FY 2024 project that will convert all 4,087 low-efficiency DTE-owned streetlights to LED fixtures that are 1.2 to 3 times more efficient. The second is a FY 2026 project that will fund the planning and implementation to create a 0.8 mile-long All Ages and Abilities bike priority corridor on W Washington St.

Quick Build 2023

Staff are working with HRC in the development of design plans for our 2023 Quick Build Program. These projects will be focused on adding vertical devices to existing painted buffered bike lanes.

Education and Encouragement

Bike to Workday will be Friday May 19 from 7-10am. Staff are working with partners for upcoming activities such as Bike Month and the Commuter Challenge.

One exciting development has been the creation of a Vision Zero Lunch and Learn series that will be held throughout 2023; the second installment of this training will be held on Wednesday April 26. This city staff focused series will help units across the city learn about the goals and objectives of the plan and how important their unit is in achieving success.

Additionally, staff launched the #MyA2Commute challenge through social media for the public to share how they get to work.

League of American Bicyclists (LAB) Cycling 101 Course

The Transportation team will host a two-part LAB Cycling 101 course on May 9 and May 16 from Noon to 5pm. This training is a pre-requisite for anyone wishing to become a LAB League Cycling Instructor.

Strongest Towns

The city of Ann Arbor was not selected beyond the first round of this competition.

Michigan Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals (APBP)

Cynthia Redinger and Suzann Flowers co-chair the Michigan Chapter of APBP which is a membership organization focused on pedestrian and bicycle planning and development. The peer member exchange happened on April 3 and was a resounding success. The Chapter is now focusing on its spring membership drive and growing the Michigan Chapter.

Crashes

The crash reports developed by the Police Department for January and February are attached to this report. Future reports will be shared when available.



No Turn On Red

The Traffic Control Orders and associated signage restricting turns on red downtown have started to be installed and are expected to be complete in May 2023. As the Commission may recall, this was an initiative brought forward by the Transportation Commission and approved by City Council last year.

TheRide Update

TheRide has issued a request for proposals to recruit a consulting firm to manage the planning, environmental study, and design work for replacement of the Ypsilanti Transit Center. Proposals will be received in May, with an expected contract award 2-3 months later.

Expanded services promised by TheRide's 2022 millage will begin as planned in Fall 2024. Service information will be available for public review in October 2023, with implementation of most services scheduled for August 2024.