



Transportation Project Updates March 2025

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Transportation Planning Studies & Initiatives

Multilane Street Reconfiguration Evaluation

City has advertised a request for proposal for Multilane Street Reconfiguration Evaluation. Staff reviewed and scored three proposals, awarding the work to Toole Design. Staff are working with Toole Design to finalize the scope of work and seek council approval in April 2025.

State Trunkline Jurisdiction Transfer

The final draft of the report is complete and provides a detailed cost/benefit analysis of taking ownership of the state trunklines that run through the community; namely Washtenaw/Huron/Jackson and North Main. The City Administrator sent MDOT a letter on December 20, 2024, to officially open discussions of a transfer.

Micro mobility

The City and the University of Michigan have an Agreement with Spin to have up to 450 dock-less e-scooters and 100 dock-less e-bikes available for public use. Spin's rights-of-way use contract was renewed by City Council for three months on June 3, 2024, and administratively extended another three months on September 9, 2024, and December 13, 2024, to give additional time for Council to discuss additional safety expectations and what to include in a longer agreement. City Attorney's office is working on extension/next contract.

Road Safety Audit in Ann, Catherine, Glen and Zina Pitcher Area

Staff applied for Road Safety Audit grant by the SEMCOG (southeast Michigan council of governments) for the block surrounded by Ann, Catherine, Glen and Zina Pitcher. City was notified of an award in February 2025. Staff is coordinating with SEMCOG on finalizing contracts for the study.

Speed Management Program - Draft

Staff are developing draft document for 'Speed Management Program,' and had an initial meeting with the Commission's Traffic Calming subcommittee on February 21, 2025. It is anticipated that the new Speed Management Program will unify neighborhood traffic calming, major streets and areas around schools.



Design Projects

Other Sidewalk Gap Projects in Design

The following sidewalk gap filling projects are currently beginning the design and public engagement process:

- Barton Drive (north side from M-14 to Brede): During preliminary design, it was determined that there is insufficient public right-of-way along the north side of Barton Drive to fit a public sidewalk. Therefore, this project has been postponed for the time being for further consideration.
- Brockman & Crestland (both sides; Packard to Ferdon): Public Meeting/Walkthrough was held on October 3rd to introduce area residents to the project. A question & answers document resulting from that meeting has been posted on the [web page](#). Construction is scheduled for 2026.
- Apple/Pear Area: This project includes filling various sidewalk gaps at the locations listed below. Design work is just beginning, and more information will be provided once available.
 - Apple Street (Pontiac to Pear)
 - Pear Street (John A. Woods to Traver)
 - John A Woods Drive (Pontiac to Pear)
- Dexter Ave (Maple to Ironwood): Sidewalk will be installed on one side or the other (due to budget constraints through this project. A public meeting/walkthrough was held on October 5th to introduce area residents to the project. A question & answers document resulting from that meeting has been posted on the [web page](#). Construction is scheduled for 2026.

Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant – Speed Management & Quick Build

Staff submitted National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) clearance document in January 2025 to FHWA Michigan Division offices. Still awaiting a decision from FHWA. Preliminary designs for the potential suite of roadways are under development. The project website has been moved to the new A2Engage site.

MDOT Traffic Signal Modernization along Huron (State – Palmer)

MDOT will begin the design work for traffic signal modernization along Huron Street/Washtenaw Avenue, from State Street to Palmer Drive. Design kick off meeting was held in February 2025. Anticipated construction schedule is in late 2027 to early 2028.

Construction Projects

2025 Street Resurfacing Project

This suite of projects encompasses the majority of the City's Street resurfacing activities and includes some asphalt path resurfacing. A complete list of locations completed this year can be found on the [project website](#) and on the [project tracking dashboard](#). Construction will tentatively begin in early April.

**Sidewalk Gaps**

- **Independence Blvd. (south side from Harpst to Esch)** - Construction of this project will be done in conjunction with the resurfacing of Independence Blvd. More information can be found on the [project website](#).
- **Sequoia Pkwy (south side from Kuehnle to Dellwood)**
- **Whitewood St.** - (east side from Norwood to end of gap) – This work will be done in association with the Pittsfield Village project.

E. Medical Center Drive Bridge

This project is to perform preventive maintenance of the bridge leading to the hospital campus and add a vehicular travel lane. Construction is underway and the bridge is currently reduced to one lane in each direction. Construction will continue through June 2025.

Miller Avenue Improvements

This project includes watermain replacement, stormwater improvements, road resurfacing between Chapin and Newport. In addition, crosswalk improvements, speed management, and an All Ages and Abilities bike facility will be applied to the entire length of Miller Ave between North First Street and North Maple Road. RRFB's along Miller are funded by HSIP (highway safety improvement program) fund. The construction of RRFBs will be coordinated with the Miller Avenue project. Construction is anticipated to begin March 17th.

FY2025 Crosswalk Improvements

Staff is working on the design to install RRFBs at five crosswalks in 2025:

- Stone School at Birch Hollow
- Stone School at Pheasant Run
- Stone School at Champagne
- Beakes at N Fifth
- Scio Church at Chaucer

Staff has also received the permit to install crosswalks on Jackson Avenue. This work will be done in 2025 at the following locations:

- Jackson near Collingwood
- Jackson near Grandview
- Jackson near Worden
- Huron at Arbana

State Street (William to South University)

Work includes watermain replacement, stormwater improvements, street resurfacing, protected bike lanes, intersection improvements at the State/South University intersection, crosswalk improvements, and the addition of a transit-only lane in the northbound direction. The project will also incorporate a transit-only lane in the northbound direction. Design work is underway. Construction is scheduled for 2025.

**Nixon Road Reconstruction**

This project, designed several years ago, is scheduled to start the first phase of construction in 2025. The scope of the project includes watermain, sanitary, and storm work, installation of boulevard segments in the roadway, several roundabouts, and bicycle and pedestrian improvements. Project plans are currently being updated and easements are in the process of being acquired. An informational video and Q&A document can be found on the [project webpage](#). Construction phasing is currently anticipated as follows:

- Phase 1 (May 2025-August 2025): Huron Parkway to Bluett
- Phase 2 (May 2026-August 2026): Full closure of Nixon from Bluett to Argonne
- Phase 3 (August 2026-November 2026): Part-width closure from Argonne to Green

Pauline Watermain & Resurfacing

This project consists of watermain replacement and resurfacing from Seventh Street to Main Street. Design elements include installation of All Ages & Abilities bike facilities and raised crosswalks, raised intersection and speed tables for speed management. More information can be found on the project [web page](#). Construction is anticipated to begin in April 2025.

Pittsfield Village Improvements

This project encompasses a large area around Pittsfield Boulevard, Whitewood Street, and Pinecrest Avenue. The project scope includes watermain replacement, storm improvements, sanitary sewer improvements, and road resurfacing. Construction is expected to begin in April 2025 and run through 2026. For more information, see the [project webpage](#).

Fifth Avenue (William to Madison) Resurfacing

This project will complete a small segment of watermain upsizing (from Jefferson to Packard) and then resurface the entire stretch. The project will also complete a link of the proposed all ages and abilities network by connecting cycling facilities south of Madison with the William Street cycle-track through standard and contra-flow bike lanes. Construction is planned for 2025 between April and July.

2025 Miscellaneous Utilities Project

Project locations include Glastonbury, Weldon, Harding & Fifth Ave. There are no proposed changes to Glastonbury or Weldon. On Fifth Avenue, the addition of bicycle facilities is covered by the Fifth Avenue Resurfacing Project description above. Staff is currently engaging with the neighborhood regarding modifications to the intersection of Harding & Wallingford to reduce pedestrian crossing distance and improve safety. More information can be found on the [project website](#).

Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant – Near Miss Analytics

Staff selected the team led by the University of Michigan. Contract is being prepared for City Council approval in April 2025.

Streetlight Implementation

DTE has reported fixing 226 streetlights so far in 2025.



Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program

- Manchester (Buckingham – Needham) constructed in 2024; pavement markings to be installed as soon as weather permits in spring 2025
- Bird (Newport – W Huron River Drive) construction expected in 2025
- Henry (Golden – Packard) construction expected in 2025
- Arella (Stadium – Pauline) construction expected in 2025
- Mershon (Scio Church – Delaware) construction expected in 2025
- Worden (Jackson – Dexter) construction expected in 2025
- Traver (Barton – John A Woods) construction currently on hold, to be scheduled with Traver Water Main & Resurfacing project

Neighborhood traffic calming petitions received and to be evaluated

- Carmel St (Easy St to Towner Blvd), in engagement phase
- Brandywine Dr (Yost Blvd to Packard), in engagement phase
- Doty Ave (Arborview Blvd to Dexter Ave), in engagement phase
- Neighborhood approach for Redwood Ave (Springbrook St to Platt) & Rosedale St (St. Aubin Ave to Redwood Ave) & Springbrook St (St. Aubin Ave to Redwood Ave), engagement is anticipated to begin in late Fall 2025
- S. Revena Blvd (Abbott to South end of S. Revena Blvd)
- Neighborhood approach for Frederick Dr (Green to Middleton) & Middleton Dr (Frederick to Frederick)
- Shadowwood Dr (Ellsworth to Braeburn)
- Olivia Ave (Wells to Cambridge)
- W. Washington St (3rd to 7th)
- W. Hoover Ave (Fifth to Main)
- Hampshire Rd (Canterbury to Chesterfield)
- Davis Ave (Hutchins to Edgewood)
- Montclair Pl (Gardner to Stadium)
- Ferdon Rd (Stadium Blvd to Washtenaw Rd)
- N. Revena Blvd (Arborview to Linwood)

Signalized Intersections with FYA (flash yellow arrow) Indication

Locations where pedestrian service cancels FYA

- Huron & Seventh
- Manchester/Sheridan & Washtenaw
- Eisenhower & Stone School
- Scio Church & Seventh
- Broadway & Maiden/Moore
- Main & Stadium
- Packard & Platt
- I-94 (E/B) & Jackson
- Depot & Main
- Ellsworth & Research
- Ellsworth & Varsity



- Ellsworth & Stone School
- Braeburn & Ellsworth
- Geddes & Huron Pkwy
- Ann Arbor Saline & Eisenhower
- Eisenhower & Industrial

Locations where pedestrian service is concurrent with FYA

- Fifth & Huron
- Division & Huron
- E. Medical & Observatory
- Pauline & Seventh (no push button)
- Brockman & Stadium
- Barton & Plymouth
- St. Francis & Stadium
- Fuller & Glen (no push button)
- E Medical & E Hospital
- Huron Pkwy & Huron River Dr. (pending change)