



Transportation Project Updates September

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2024 Construction Projects

2024 Street Resurfacing Project

This suite of projects encompasses the majority of the City's Street resurfacing activities and includes some asphalt path resurfacing. Work began in May and will last into November of 2024. Local resurfacing work is complete in the Lakewood neighborhood (south of Jackson and west of I-94), as well as on Northbrook and Yost, and on the asphalt sidewalk work on Glazier Way and Earhart. Remaining locations consist of Burwood and Page. A complete list of locations will be provided on the [project website](#) and on the [project tracking dashboard once available](#).

Sidewalk Gaps

Gaps in the sidewalk system that are expected to be filled in 2024 include:

- 580 Burwood Ave.
- Ellsworth Road (north side, State to Stone School) – Project is substantially complete; however, one gap remains due to a utility conflict. This remaining gap is expected to be completed in the summer of 2024.
- Glendale Circle & Fair Street – Complete
- Page Avenue (Harpst to Esch)
- Stone School Road (east side from Packard to Eisenhower) – Complete
- Sunnywood & Gralake intersection – Complete

State & Hill Improvements

Overall, this project consists of resurfacing on Hill Street (Fifth to Church) and State Street (South University to Packard and Hoover to Granger). Also included is some watermain consolidation, and safety improvements along both corridors. More information can be found on the [project website](#). This project is now substantially complete.

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 into 2025.

Seventh Street & Greenview

This project consists of watermain replacement and resurfacing on South Seventh Street between Scio Church and Delaware, and on Greenview between Seventh and Stadium Boulevard. 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. Greenview between Seventh and Scio Church includes watermain replacement and resurfacing. Greenview between Scio Church and Stadium includes watermain replacement, resurfacing, road



narrowing, bumpouts, and additional crosswalks. See the [project webpage](#) for further information. The Seventh Street portion of the project is substantially complete, and the overall project is expected to continue into November.

Projects Currently in Design/Planning

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): Public Meeting/Walkthrough in early October. More information will be shared when available. Construction scheduled in 2026.
- Brockman & Crestland (both sides; Packard to Ferdon): Public Meeting/Walkthrough in early October. More information will be shared when available. Construction scheduled in 2026.
- Independence (south side from Victoria to Essex): Public engagement phase anticipated for Fall 2024. Construction scheduled for 2025.

State Street & North University

This project includes the next phase of work on State Street (William to South University) and on North University (State to Fletcher). Work includes watermain replacement, stormwater improvements, street resurfacing, sanitary sewer work on Thayer, bike lanes on North University, intersection improvements at the State/South University intersection, and evaluation of crosswalk improvements. Design work is underway, and more information will be shared when available. Construction is presently anticipated to occur on State Street in 2025 and North University/Thayer in 2026.

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. The project team is currently developing an informational video on the project, which will be accompanied by “office hours” that will be open to the public. Virtual office hours were held on August 21 and August 22. More details will be shared when available. For more information, see the [project webpage](#).

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. On-site public engagement opportunities were held on May 11th and May 18th. A summary of these meetings, and the results of the online survey, have been posted on the project [web page](#). Construction is anticipated for 2025. [NC1] Staff have proposed to eliminate on-street parking on the north side of Pauline in order to create space for the bike facilities, which was approved at the August 21st Transportation



Commission meeting. A resolution will be presented to City Council on Sep. 16 for approval of parking removal.

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.

Downtown Area Circulation Study

The study will develop a cohesive transportation vision for downtown building off existing plans and policies (DDA's People Friendly Streets Initiative; Moving Together Towards Vision Zero Transportation Plan; TheRide 2045 Long Range Plan). This study will consider how to balance the needs of multi-modal travel, business activity, and infrastructure demands in the same street corridor as well as network-wide transportation impacts. Stakeholder and community engagement occurred the week of March 11, 2024, and several hundred residents participated. A second round of community engagement is planned for October. The DACS team will present to Transportation Commission in October as well. More information, including public engagement summary, is available on the project website: <https://www.a2dda.org/people-friendly-streets/projects/downtown-area-circulation-study/>

Other Updates and Information

UM Smart Intersections Project

On January 1, 2021, the University of Michigan received a \$9.95 Million grant from the US Department of Transportation's (USDOT) Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment (ATCMTD) program. The University of Michigan will deploy a network of smart intersections in Ann Arbor where vehicles and infrastructure interact in a connected environment using state of the art technology. The U-M has hired Integral Blue as main contractor to perform device installation. The majority of sites are located along Ellsworth, Fuller, Maple and W. Stadium. Field installation is expected to be completed in fall 2024. More information is available on the award announcement [webpage](#).

Office of Sustainability and Innovations (OSI) Update

Recent increases in City-owned public EV charging include the installation of public Level 2 EV chargers in various Parks, in conjunction with solar carports. 7 dual port EV chargers are now active and available at Ann Arbor Senior Center, Huron Hills Golf Course, Leslie Park Golf Course, and Fuller Park. 6 more chargers will be installed in the coming months at Veteran's Memorial Park.

OSI recently launched a Commercial EV Charger Discount program to distribute free and discounted EV Chargers at commercial sites and Multi Unit Dwellings (MUDs). Applications are being collected and more information can be accessed on the [project webpage](#).

The City was recently notified of its Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Program Round 1B award. This is an award of ~\$2,8 Million to help the City design and install dozens more public EV charge ports in Ann Arbor.

**Streetlight Implementation**

DTE has reported fixing 851 streetlights so far in 2024.

Traffic Calming Program Submittals

Bird (Newport to Huron River) and Henry (Golden to Packard) were approved by City Council in June 2024 and Arella (Stadium to Pauline) is going to City Council in September 2024.

The next three petitions all received support after final poll:

1. Mershon (Scio Church to Delaware),
2. Worden (Jackson to Dexter)
3. Traver (Barton to John A Woods).

Bike Corrals Pilot Program

One additional request was approved for Motor City Bicycles on Washtenaw Ave, this will be installed in September.

Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant

The Near Miss Evaluation task is underway and the package for software procurement is in development. The grant coordinator contract is nearing completion and the project kick off meeting is slated for late September.

Bike Parking Inventory

As part of the implementation of the Vision Zero plan, staff are working on developing a bike parking inventory. This work will be done in coordination with the DDA and provide an on the ground assessment of all publicly available bike parking across the city. All non-DDA District parking facilities have been inventoried. The DDA has a downtown bike parking strategy under development with an updated inventory of downtown bike parking facilities. These data will also be used to inform a bike parking objective in the Ann Arbor Comprehensive Plan update.

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 over 4,000 low-efficiency DTE-owned streetlights to higher-efficiency LED fixtures. Staff brought the grant acceptance and contract approval actions before Council, which approved the resolution on August 8. Staff is pursuing completion of NEPA process and funding obligation in September. More information is available on the [project website](#).

Education and Encouragement

Staff will be rolling out their new campaign, Slow Speeds Save Lives at the September 2024 Greenfair. Reflective stickers, magnets will be available. Additionally, we have created branded t-shirts that will be handed out as each person signs a pledge supporting being a safe traveler. We are also holding our 2nd Annual World Car-Free Week challenge and partnering with OSI and getDowntown. We will offer prizes to the biggest Greenhouse Gas Emission reducer.

**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 & Varsity

Locations where pedestrian service is concurrent with FYA

- Fifth & Huron
- Division & Huron
- E. Medical & Observatory
- Pauline & Seventh
- Brockman & Stadium
- Barton & Plymouth
- St. Francis & Stadium
- Maple & Pauline
- Eisenhower & Industrial
- Ann Arbor Saline & Eisenhower
- Fuller & Glen
- E Medical & E Hospital
- Geddes & Huron Pkwy
- Ellsworth & Research
- Huron Pkwy & Huron River Dr.
- Ellsworth & Stone School – ongoing work
- Braeburn & Ellsworth – ongoing work