



## Transportation Project Updates January 2022

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### **2022 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. The complete list of streets included in the 2022 program will be posted on the [project website](#) in the near future. Local resurfacing work in 2022 will occur primarily in the area bounded by Miller, Maple, Jackson, and Huron. Resurfacing of various segments of asphalt paths is also included. Specific locations will be reported once finalized.

#### **Sidewalk Gaps**

Gaps in the sidewalk system that are expected to be filled in 2022 include (some tentative timelines shown in parentheses):

- Barton Drive (north side from Brede to Pontiac) – Substantially completed in 2021, however the new crosswalk will remain closed until the streetlights can be installed.
- Boardwalk Drive (east side from Eisenhower to Oakbrook)
- Broadway (north/west side from Broadview Ln to Plymouth)
- Ellsworth Road (north side, State to Stone School)
- Hiscock Street (east side, near Summit)
- Hutchins & Prescott (near Stadium)
- South Main Street (address 2878)
- Newport (east side from Sunset to Downup Circle)
- Nixon/Traver (Westbury to Logan Elementary)
- Platt Road (address 2231)
- Russell Street (with first time paving project)
- Saunders Crescent (address 1121)
- Scio Church Road (north side from Landmark Court to Winsted and Greenview to Seventh) (Delayed to spring 2022)
- Tuebingen Parkway (Lancashire to Traver)
- Winchell, Brockman, Frieze loop

Yost and Eli (at frontage of 2609 Yost Avenue)

#### **Division Street**

Construction on the two-way protected bike is substantially complete. Some construction elements impacted by supply chain issues or weather will be completed in the spring, including a bike signal at Division and Huron and final pavement markings on this section.



Additionally, the City is developing costs and an engagement strategy to determine the feasibility of extending the cycle track further to the south (possibly Hoover). If pursued, this would likely require removal of on-street parking for more than one block which warrants Council review and approval.

### **State Street Improvement Project (William to Huron)**

This project is being designed jointly with the Downtown Development Authority. The project scope includes resurfacing, watermain work, non-motorized improvements, and installation of our first curbsless street (William to Washington). The design is currently being finalized and plans to go to bid in January. Construction is scheduled to begin spring 2022. The Transportation Commission will review the project at their January 2022 meeting.

### **Platt Road & Earhart Road**

This is a Federal aid project the consists of the resurfacing of Earhart Road between Geddes and Greenhills Drive; and Platt Road between Huron Parkway and Packard. The project scope includes some watermain work (on Platt), bike lanes and pedestrian improvements. Final plans have been submitted to MDOT for review. Construction is scheduled for spring/summer 2022.

### **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 and fill sidewalk gaps on the north side of the road at the east end of the project. Design work on the project is underway and a public engagement meeting is being planned for February. Construction is scheduled for 2022.

### **Huron Parkway/Tuebingen Resurfacing (Nixon to Traver)**

This project includes road resurfacing, filling of a sidewalk gap, repair of culvert headwall, and evaluation of the existing pedestrian tunnel. Design work is currently underway, and construction is anticipated in 2022.

### **South Main Street Reconfiguration Pilot (Packard to Stadium)**

South Main Street from Packard to Stadium was reconfigured from a four-lane cross section (2 vehicle lanes in each direction) to a three-lane coss section (1 vehicle lane in each direction, a center turn lane, and protected bike lanes) as part of the 2021 Healthy Streets Program. Based on initial findings from data collected in the summer and fall of 2021, the pilot is being extended into 2022 for further observation. Additionally, an opportunity for public input will be launched at some point in the first half of 2022. This will all be taken into consideration before a determination is made to make the reconfiguration permanent or restore the previous configuration. A memo on this topic was shared with the Transportation Commission in January 2022.



## **Projects Currently in Design/Planning**

### **Brooks Street Improvements**

This project consists of watermain replacement, stormwater improvements, street resurfacing, sidewalk gap filling, and possible reconfiguration of the Brooks/Vesper/Sunset intersection. Design work is scheduled to start in the summer of 2022, and construction is planned for 2023.

### **State & Hill Improvements**

This is a Federal aid project (Surface Transportation Program, Highway Safety Improvements Program, and COVID relief funding). The project limits are as follows:

- State Street (South University to Packard)
- State Street (Hoover to Granger)
- Hill Street (Fifth Ave. to Church)

The project scope includes watermain replacement and lead transfers, street resurfacing, non-motorized improvements, crosswalk upgrades, new streetlights, and the evaluation and potential installation of the segment of the Treeline Trail along State Street south of Granger.

### **South Main Street Watermain & Resurfacing**

This project consists of replacement of the watermain and resurfacing of the street from Huron to William. Public engagement has been underway with the adjacent business owners and the DDA. Design work will be completed in 2022, and construction is planned for 2023.

## **Other Updates and Information**

### **MDOT Coordination**

The City has regular coordination with MDOT on State projects within the City. MDOT allows for locally installed improvements on their facilities, subject to their review and approval. The following project is currently being coordinated with MDOT:

- Huron/Jackson Crossings – City staff continues working with MDOT on the locations listed below. We are now reviewing safety issues and design details for the proposed crosswalks along Huron and Jackson:
  - Huron @ Crest
  - Jackson @ Virginia
  - Jackson @ Worden
  - Jackson @ Vets Park

Additionally, MDOT has agreed to look at the intersection configuration of the Huron/Jackson/Dexter split with possible inclusion of a new crosswalk at the eastern leg of the intersection.



### Streetlight Implementation

19 crosswalks have been upgraded with positive contrast lighting (DTE) to date in 2021. 1,413 streetlight outages were addressed by DTE in 2021. Additionally, work continues on streetlight maintenance which paints, replaces, or performs other preventive maintenance work on existing City-owned streetlights to ensure operability. Lastly, City Council will consider two different resolutions related to streetlight reliability (one concerning City-owned streetlights; the other concerning DTE-owned streetlights) at their January 18, 2022 meeting.

### Traffic Calming Program Submittals

The Traffic Calming Team is beginning work on the engagement phase for the next projects in the queue, with the intent to work on three of them concurrently. The next projects in queue are, in order:

- Longman-N. Fairview (Dexter to Jackson) – the neighborhood has shown support for the proposed traffic calming devices. Therefore, the Transportation Commission will make a recommendation on this project at their January 2022 meeting.
- Northside Ave (Barton to Pontiac Trail) – Final polling is due in January. If supported by the neighborhood, staff anticipates bringing this item to the Transportation Commission in February 2022.
- Glenwood (Override to Washtenaw) - the estimated cost to construct this project has increased by about 10% (now \$110,000). This will use the majority of available funds in the Traffic Calming Program budget. Consequently, staff does not anticipate starting any other projects this fiscal year due to lack of funding.
- There are currently 14 traffic calming petitions in the queue (inclusive of Longman/Fairview and Northside). More information is available on the [traffic calming website page](#).

### Bicycle Friendly Community Designation

The League of American Bicyclists has showcased Ann Arbor's "Bicycle [Friendly Community](#)" designation on their website: <https://bikeleague.org/content/story-behind-bfc-ann-arbor-michigan>

### Winter Sidewalk Maintenance

City Council will contemplate an additional resolution related to winter sidewalk maintenance at their January 18, 2022 [meeting](#).

### American Rescue Plan Funding Recommendation

The City is the recipient of \$24.2 million in federal COVID relief funds through the program known as "American Rescue Plan" (ARP). Among the proposals are two transportation projects: Miller-Catherine Bike Facility (\$4M); and Vision Zero Plan Implementation (\$9.5M). The public engagement on projects proposed to use ARP funds began on January 12, 2022. The information session on the Miller-Catherine Bike Facility and Vision Zero Plan Implementation occurred on January 13, 2022. More information is available on the ARP [project website](#).