



April 16, 2021

Dear Saint Paul Neighbor:

In Fall 2021, Saint Paul Public Works is installing on-street bike lanes on St. Paul Avenue between Edgumbe Road and W. 7th Street as part of a resurfacing project. The project also includes pedestrian safety improvements. The street changes will accomplish three objectives:

- Improve safety and comfort for people using bicycles. On-street bike lanes will be installed in both directions. The addition of bike lanes will make the street a safer and more comfortable place for people who ride a bike as well as for people who drive. The installation of bike lanes in this location is identified in the Saint Paul Bicycle Plan.
- Improve pavement quality. The street resurfacing (often called a “mill and overlay”) extends the life of the road and provides a more comfortable roadway surface.
- Improve safety and comfort for people walking. Sidewalks will be repaired, and bumpouts will be installed at Davern Street, W. 7th Street, and midblock between Davern Street and W 7th Street. Bumpouts are locations where the roadway is narrowed to improve pedestrian safety at crosswalks. Bumpouts help to slow motor vehicle traffic and help make pedestrians more visible to people driving.

Changes to the street (see graphic on back)

To create space for bike lanes, a travel lane must be removed from each side of St. Paul Avenue. Pedestrian improvements involve limited parking removal. The impacts are as follows:

On-street parking:

- Current on-street parking will be impacted minimally and only at the planned mid-block pedestrian crossing at the bus stop located between Davern Street and W 7th Street. Approximately eight parking spaces will be lost to provide bumpouts at the bus stops – four on each side of the street.

Travel lanes:

- One travel lane in each direction will be removed to allow installation of bike lanes. No parking removal is required to implement bike lanes.

Additional Information

To view additional information about the project, please visit the project website at:

www.stpaul.gov/stpaulave

How to Provide Feedback

If you have questions or concerns about the project, you can do one or more of the following:

- Join us for an online meeting and presentation to learn more about the project:

Tuesday, May 18

6:00 PM to 7:30 PM

Online: <http://bit.ly/stpaulmay>

By phone: 612-315-7905

Conference ID: 718 651 21#

- Submit questions or comments through the feedback form on the project website. Including your email will be optional, and not required. Questions or comments received through the form will be summarized or aggregated with other similar questions or comments. The City will post a response to these comments on the project website.
- Contact the project community engagement staff. City staff are available to meet one-on-one or in small groups if social distancing rules are followed, or through phone/video to discuss the project. Contact Reuben Collins at reuben.collins@ci.stpaul.mn.us or 651-266-6059.

Public Hearing

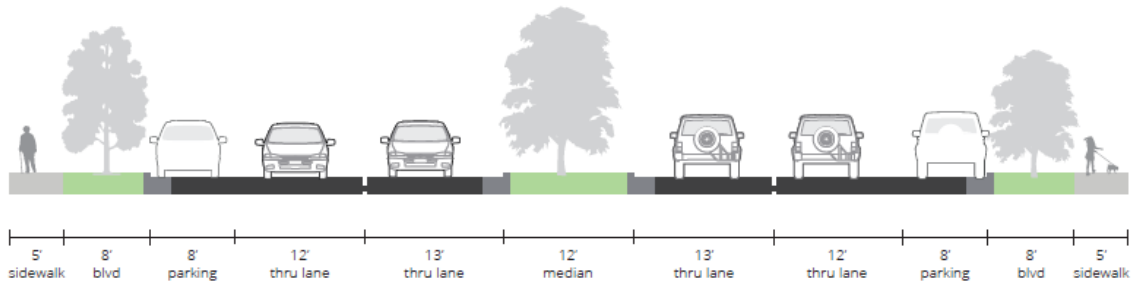
The proposed resurfacing and bike lane recommendations will be presented to Saint Paul City Council for approval. This will be a public hearing and there will be an opportunity for public comment. Additional notification will be sent to adjacent property owners and residents and posted on the project webpage when the date of that public hearing is known.

Project Contact:

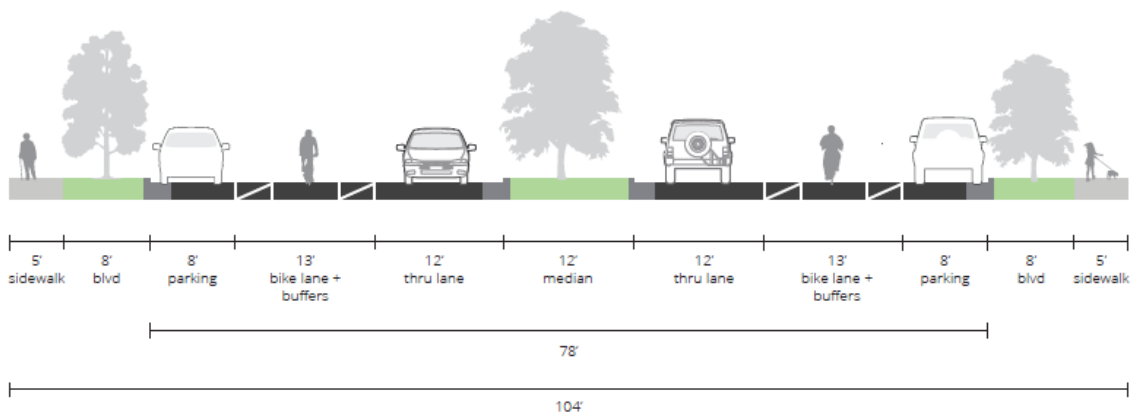
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Cross section of proposed street design – W 7th St to Edgcumbe Rd

EXISTING



PROPOSED



Upcoming Ramsey County Project

In 2022, Ramsey County will be resurfacing the segment of St. Paul Avenue between Edgcumbe Road and Cleveland Avenue – immediately west of the City-led section. The design of the County-led segment will be similar to what is shown above as part of the City of Saint Paul project. Although the construction described in this letter will stop at St. Paul Avenue, the City and County are working together to make sure the road is safe and comfortable for all users.

There will be more opportunities to share feedback about the 2022 County-led portion of St. Paul Avenue. You can visit the website to learn more: ramseycounty.us/StPaulAveResurfacing