



Street Reconstruction is Happening Downtown in 2024
Minnesota Street Reconstruction Phase 2

January 16, 2024

What is happening?

Public Works will be continuing to reconstruct Minnesota Street. Phase 2 will reconstruct Minnesota Street between 6th Street and 11th Street.

Reconstruction will include replacement of concrete curb and gutter, storm sewer drains, sewer and water main pipelines, concrete pavement, street lighting, new sidewalks, ADA-compliant pedestrian crossings, and implementation of the Capital City Bikeway.

Learn more: Virtual Presentation & Office Hours

Virtual Presentation	Check the project webpage stpaul.gov/MinnesotaStreet2 the week of January 22
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Virtual Office Hours	Project staff will be online to answer questions Thursday, February 8, 2024 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. and 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. <i>Drop-in with your questions!</i>						
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What did the project complete in 2023?

In 2023, the City reconstructed Minnesota Street between Kellogg Boulevard and 6th Street. Tree planting and final cleanup will occur in the spring 2024 on the Phase 1 section of Minnesota Street.



What is the project timeline?

Reconstruction work on Minnesota Street between 6th Street and 11th Street is tentatively scheduled to begin June 2024 and continue through November 2024 (weather permitting). Utility work for this project and private construction has begun and will continue throughout the winter, spring, and summer.

What do property owners need to do now?

Contact Project Manager Barb Mundahl at 651-266-6112 or Barbara.Mundahl@ci.stpaul.mn.us by March 31, 2024 to discuss:

- Replacement of the sidewalk, including what is currently on private property which abuts the public right of way sidewalk, at no additional cost
- Location of existing areaways and vaults
- Other operational issues and concerns related to construction

Please see additional project details included in this letter.

What is the cost?

The total estimated cost of the project is \$12.5 million. The project is funded by the City with Street Reconstruction Bonds, Municipal State Aid, and assessments to the abutting property owners.

The 2024 assessment rates have not yet been set by City Council. Property owners will receive an assessment invoice once the project is completed.

Who do I contact with questions?

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Important Phone Numbers	
Project Manager	651-266-6112
After Hours	651-266-9700
Assessments	651-266-8858
Street Construction	651-266-6080

Project Emails and Updates
Sign up for email updates and access additional project information at stpaul.gov/MinnesotaStreet2

Minnesota Street Reconstruction Phase 2 Project Details

Street Widths

The project proposes to narrow Minnesota Street from 40 feet to 29 feet. This new street width will accommodate two northbound travel lanes and one parking/loading lane. The narrowing of the street will move the west curb line and remove on-street parking on the east side. The additional space from the west side will be used for sidewalks and a two-way off-street bikeway, which is part of the Capital City Bikeway.

Sidewalks and Right of Way

The public right of way of Minnesota Street is 60 feet. The distance between building-face to building-face varies from 60 feet to 100 feet. Minnesota Street includes sidewalk that is both public (in the right of way) and private (on private property).

The existing sidewalk along Minnesota Street has areas outside of the public right of way that are technically on private property. As part of this reconstruction project, **the City is offering to replace the sidewalk on private property which abuts the public right of way sidewalk, at no additional cost to the property owner.**

If you would like the project to replace your private sidewalk between the right of way line and your building, please contact Project Manager Barb Mundahl by March 31, 2024.

If the City does not hear from the property owner by **March 31, 2024**, the private sidewalk will be left as is and not redone as part of the reconstruction project or at the cost of the City.

Existing Areaways and Vaults

Public Works has identified where the known areaways and vaults are located on Minnesota Street (those that have been documented in some way). **Public Works would like to meet with individual property owners prior to construction to better understand the location, use, and condition of existing areaways or vaults.** The City's preference is to fill-in those that are no longer in use. The cost for addressing areaways or vaults is the responsibility of the property owner. For more information about areaways, please see the Areaway Policy at stpaul.gov/row.

To discuss the areaways or vaults on your property, please contact Project Manager Barb Mundahl by March 31, 2024.

Road Closures, Parking, and Access

During construction, Minnesota Street from 6th Street to 11th Street will be closed to thru traffic. The project will work with property owners and businesses to maintain access, including access to parking ramps. There may be times when access will be temporarily restricted. On-street parking restrictions may also apply. Please be mindful of posted signs and hooded parking meters.

Capital City Bikeway

As part of Minnesota Street Reconstruction, a separated bikeway will be installed along the west side of the roadway. For more information about the Capital City Bikeway, please visit stpaul.gov/CapitalCityBikeway.

Tree Removals and Replacements

Some existing trees on Minnesota Street will need to be removed. New trees in new soil will be installed where possible.