

Rondo Streets Study

May Engagement Summary



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Study Overview

The City of Saint Paul is developing a community-led vision for street improvements within the Rondo neighborhood and adjacent areas. As part of the City's commitment to the Rondo neighborhood to have the vision for street improvements reflect the needs and wants of Rondo residents, the City is partnering with Community Based Organizations (CBOs) such as the J.K. Movement and 825 Arts, as well as District Councils to facilitate engagement with a diverse and representative audience. Information about the study is also being shared with community members through other CBOs.

Engagement during Phase I of the study is intended to collect feedback from community members on their vision for travel throughout the neighborhood. Below is a summary of engagement conducted during May 2025. The list below does not include one-on-one coordination meetings with CBO and District Council staff for upcoming events.

May Engagement Events

Lexington-Hamline Scavenger Hunt Pop Up - May 3, 2025 at Hamline and Hague Park

The project team popped up at the Lexington-Hamline Community Council Family scavenger hunt and shared information about the study and elements of a streetscape with approximately 20 families.

The Villager Article - May 5, 2025

An article on the study was published in The Villager. Readers were informed of the study and directed to provide feedback through the online survey and wikimap.

Union Park Transportation Committee Presentation - May 12, 2025 on Zoom

The project team introduced the study to approximately 10 community members at the Union Park District Council Transportation Committee and shared information about upcoming engagement events, the project survey and comment map.

Lexington-Hamline Open House Pop Up - May 14, 2025 at Yellowbird Coffee

The project team popped up at the Lexington-Hamline Community Council Open House and shared information about the study to approximately 7 people. Attendees could provide feedback on the study through an in-person voting exercise, along with the online survey.

Summit-U, Union Park neighbors surveyed on future of streets

By Jane McClure May 5, 2025



Residents can comment within interactive map

The future of streets in parts of the Summit-University and Union Park neighborhoods is being shaped as an ongoing study. Saint Paul Department of Public Works staff members have been traveling to district councils and other groups to explain the study and encourage community participation.

Comments at recent meetings indicate strong interest in the study as well as questions about long-term impacts.

The Department of Public Works is leading what it describes as a "community-led vision" for streets in the Rondo neighborhood and adjacent areas. The intent is to provide information that will guide future street reconstruction projects. The city is working with Craig Vaughan and Eve Vanagas from the consulting firm of Transportation Collaborative & Consultants.

Vaughan and Vanagas have emphasized the importance of community input and bearing from as many people in the area as possible, including diverse viewpoints.

Past projects in the area have sparked controversy, including last year's work to add bike lanes on Concordia and Rondo avenues and a past rebuild of part of Dale Street. Concerns were also raised during recent work on Selby Avenue to prepare for the June opening of the B Line aerial bus rapid transit service.



Above (left to right): The Villager article, scavenger hunt pop up, open house pop up

825 Arts Art-BQ Pop Up - May 20, 2025 at 825 Arts

The project team popped up at the 825 Arts Art-BQ and shared information about the study to approximately 30 people. Attendees could provide feedback on the study through an in-person voting exercise, along with the online survey. Attendees were also asked to participate in a word cloud visioning exercise about beauty in the community.



825 Arts Art-BQ pop up (above).

Upcoming Engagement

The project team will be popping up at community events and hosting experiential events to collect feedback on the study in the coming months. As events are confirmed they will be posted on the study website.

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