

We want your feedback!

Johnson Parkway & Margaret Street: Test Median Extension



What are the projects?

In 2018, the city will implement a traffic calming project along Margaret Street to create safer conditions for all, including people walking and biking. Then in 2020, the city plans to construct an off-street pedestrian and biking trail along the median on the east side of Johnson Parkway as a continuation of the Grand Round.

To enhance the future trail along Johnson Parkway, one option being considered is to close some of the gaps in the median, including the gap at Margaret, so that cars can no longer cross Johnson Parkway at Margaret.

Why is the city doing these projects?

This closure could create some inconvenience, especially as drivers find new ways to get to their destination. However, the project goals are to improve safety for everyone, including those biking and walking on Margaret. The benefits include:

- Improve safety for all by reducing conflicts between pedestrians or bikers and vehicles turning at the intersection
- Creating a longer more continuous green space in the median
- Reduce storm water runoff
- Beautify the neighborhood
- Reduce the number of roadway crossings for the planned trail

When will the changes happen?

The city will be installing temporary barriers to test the closure at Margaret. The barriers will be installed in September and removed in November. This test closure will allow the city to gather feedback from residents and understand the impacts this closure may have.

If the test is successful, the closure will be made permanent in 2018.

We would like to hear your feedback on the median extensions. You can provide feedback by calling:

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More information about the planned 2018 improvements is on the project website:

www.stpaul.gov/margaret

Test Extension (2017)



Traffic barricades simulate median extension

Concept of Permanent Extension (2020)



Shared-use pedestrian and bicycle trail is constructed

Concept of Permanent Extension (2018)



Landscaped medians extend across Margaret Street