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Dear Wheelock Pkwy Resident/Property Owner:

In an effort to make Saint Paul the most livable city in America, the City has placed a priority on improving street infrastructure. Wheelock Parkway is a part of the Saint Paul Grand Round. The Grand Round connects people to parks, nature, neighborhoods and businesses with scenic parkway facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists. The 27-mile route connects many of Saint Paul's outdoor landmarks, such as the Mississippi River, Lake Phalen, Lake Como, and more than a dozen parks. The southern portion of the Grand Round along the Mississippi River has already been completed.

In May 2016, the City of Saint Paul is scheduled to start reconstructing Wheelock Parkway from Rice Street to Edgerton Street, which was last reconstructed more than 50 years ago. This project includes work on the following items: street paving, sidewalks, off-street bikeway, water main, curb and gutter, catch basins and sewers, new lantern lighting, signage and pavement markings, landscaping, and furnishings.

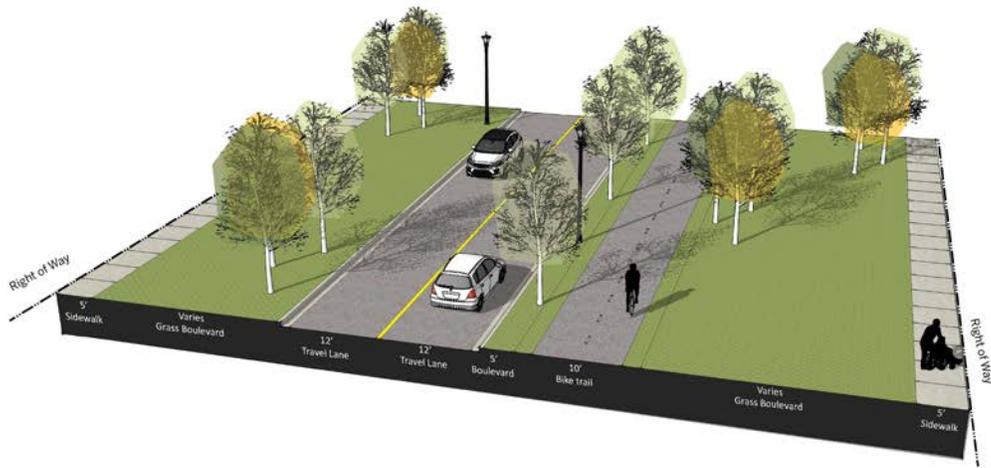
As a part of the project, Xcel Energy will upgrade electrical and gas distribution systems located in the right-of-way starting this spring. Because the work will involve digging holes in the street and sidewalk, the utility work will likely inconvenience residents and businesses. This work will be completed in short segments, so impact on surrounding residents and businesses is expected to be brief. Xcel Energy will work with residents to minimize any disruptions.

More detailed information about the project and its timeline will be provided this spring after a construction contractor has been selected to perform the work.

If you are interested in learning more about the project and the impact construction may have on you or your business, the City is holding an informational meeting with property owners on **Wednesday, January 20, between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. at Washington Technology Magnet School, 1495 Rice Street.**

The City of Saint Paul Public Works Department will make every effort to keep you informed of all aspects of work on this project. If you have questions, please contact us at the numbers listed below.





**Cross Section Rendering of Wheelock Parkway no Median
(Rice Street to Gateway Trail)**



**Cross Section Rendering of Wheelock Parkway with Center Median
(Gateway Trail to Parkway Drive)**