

# Rondo Streets Study

## Phases 1 and 2 Engagement Summary



### Study Overview

The City of Saint Paul is developing a community-led vision for street improvements within the Rondo neighborhood and adjacent areas. The study area includes city-owned streets, sidewalks, boulevards, and public right-of-way from Hamline Avenue to John Ireland Boulevard/Rice Street and from University Avenue to Selby Avenue. **This is a planning study that will be used to inform future street construction.**

Phase 1 engagement ran from March 2025 to June 2025 and focused on collecting feedback from community members on their vision for travel throughout the neighborhood. Phase 2 engagement ran from July 2025 to September 2025 and focused on co-creating what the future could look like.



825 Arts "Get Down" pop-up (above)

### Engagement Activities

The project team used a variety of techniques and methods to connect with community members about the study. Engagement activities included an online survey and comment map, neighborhood board meeting presentations, pop-up tabling events in coordination with 825 Arts, the JK Movement and the Lexington-Hamline Community Council, two community bike rides, two 4-week youth studentship programs, GovDelivery emails, postcards, flyers and sidewalk decals.



K-6 youth studentship (above)



JK Movement Back2School ice cream social pop-up (above)

## What You Shared

Community members provided feedback for the study through marble voting activities, puzzle activities, comment cards, discussions with the project team and the online survey / comment map. Below is a summary of the most commonly heard feedback themes.



Community members want to walk more in the neighborhood, and would like to see wider sidewalks, enhanced crosswalks and improved lighting.



Community members want to see more trees and plants in the neighborhood.



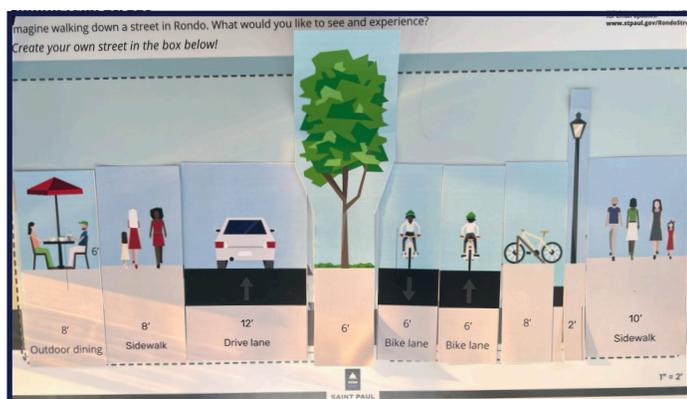
While many in the community still drive, there is a desire for time in a car to be swapped out for time on a bike, on a bus, or walking.



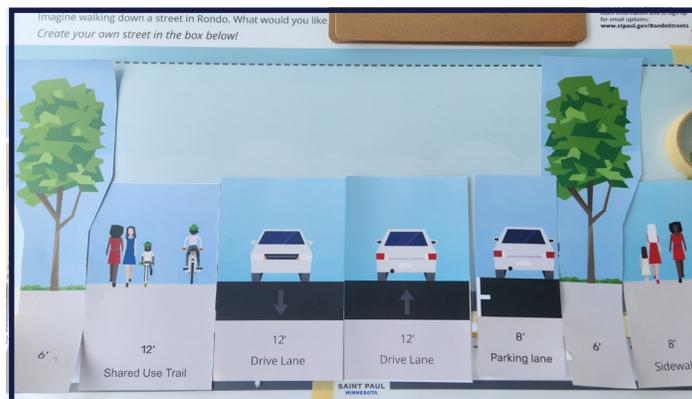
Community members are concerned about speeding vehicles and the lack of safe spaces to walk and bike, especially near schools and parks, in the neighborhood.



Community members want to see the rich and diverse history of the Rondo neighborhood honored, and for the roads to be redesigned to support and empower local residents and businesses.



*Puzzle exercise: dream neighborhood street, designed by a community member (above)*



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## Next Steps

The project team is currently developing design concepts for the streets, informed by feedback received during Phase 1 and 2. The team will be out at community events in Winter 2025 - 2026 to share these concepts and collect feedback. As events are scheduled they will be posted on the project website linked below.

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