

Westnedge & Park

Project Review

Westnedge Avenue and Park Street are fast moving streets, with wide lanes and few areas for pedestrians to comfortably cross. In Summer 2021, City staff heard from hundreds of residents who shared their thoughts on Westnedge Avenue and Park Street including priority crossing locations, thoughts on traffic calming, and how they feel as a driver, pedestrian, or bicyclist along or near Westnedge Avenue and Park Street. City staff incorporated this feedback with traffic crash data and street design best practices to plan improvements to make these streets safer for all users.

Review of Project Goals

- Reduce speeding on Westnedge & Park
- Create streets that allow all users to travel safely
- Support economic vitality by removing transportation challenges
- Align the streets with the adjacent character of the Northside and Vine neighborhoods

Frequently Asked Questions

What about converting Westnedge & Park to two-way?

We are working to update many streets, including converting the one-ways to two-ways. Road redesigns can take a long time to implement, so we have been looking at what projects we can start now to have an immediate improvement. This project is a first step toward making Westnedge and Park better serve the adjacent residents, business, and all travelers.

What if after the improvements occur something needs to be changed or additional work is needed?

Many of the traffic calming ideas may include paint and signs. These relatively inexpensive materials will allow us to adjust as we monitor their impact. This project is a first step before permanent changes which could include protected bike lanes or new traffic signals.

Project Timeline



JULY - AUG. 2021

Data Review + Community Outreach & Input

Review existing conditions, land uses, & crash data. Outreach to residents in the area. Meetings, online input opportunity. Discuss and confirm results.



LATE SUMMER - EARLY FALL 2021

Implementation in 2021

Signage and Crosswalk improvements in the Northside Neighborhood and Downtown.



SUMMER 2022

Implementation

Re-surfacing treatment from Dunkley to Michigan, Crosswalk & Sign improvements, and a protected bike lane (Lovell to Dutton) pilot from 2022 into 2023.



2023

Implementation - Continued

Re-surfacing South of Kalamazoo Avenue to Crosstown Parkway with lane re-striping and bike lanes (buffered in some locations). Vine Business on-street parking would remain.

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Map Updated
June 2022

2022 VINE IMPROVEMENTS

- Add crosswalks & signage in the Vine Neighborhood
- Sidewalk improvements in Vine
 - Re-surfacing and Repainting with right-sized travel lanes (11 ft) and Bike Lanes on Westnedge & Park in 2023
 - Pilot a protected bike lane from Lovell to Dutton (Vine Commercial Businesses On-Street Parking Maintained)
 - Where appropriate, Bike Lanes (Buffered in some locations) will be placed from Dunkely to Crosstown



**RESURFACING (2023)
& REPAINTING (2023)**



**NEW CROSSWALKS
(2022)**



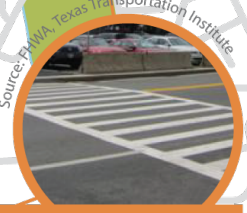
**PILOT PROTECTED
BIKE LANE (2022)**



SHARROW



BIKE LANE (2023)



EXISTING CROSSWALKS

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