



2025 George Street Resurfacing & Crossing Improvements Project

Community Meeting on April 9, 2025

March 7, 2025

Dear Saint Paul Resident/Property Owner,

The City of Saint Paul is working to improve the streets in your neighborhood. The city will mill and overlay (resurface) George Street from Cherokee Avenue to State Street/Cesar Chavez Street in fall 2025. The city will also make crossing improvements at a number of intersections along George Street. Saint Paul Regional Water Services will be replacing lead water service lines and private utilities may also complete work in the street.

Location of project work

- George Street will be resurfaced from Cherokee Avenue to State Street/Cesar Chavez Street. New striping will be installed after the new pavement.
- New pedestrian curb ramps will be constructed at intersections where needed. These will make walking or rolling along and across George Street easier.
- Bumpouts (or curb extensions) and pedestrian refuge islands will be constructed to improve safety for people walking and biking. *See more information on back and included map for locations.*
- The traffic signal at George Street and Stryker Avenue will be removed and replaced by a new four-way stop.

Learn more: Community meeting on Wednesday, April 9

Join us to learn more about the project. Stop in any time to talk one-on-one with project staff and ask your questions.

Wednesday, April 9, 2025 | 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Riverview Library (meeting room in basement)
1 George Street E, Saint Paul, MN 55107

About the mill and overlay process

Crews will “mill,” or remove approximately two inches of the roadway and then “overlay,” or repave the street with new asphalt. The repaving portion is weather dependent, but the entire process typically takes two to four days per street segment. New road striping will be added following the repaving of the street. Drivers will have access to their properties throughout the process, though short-duration closures will be likely as crews work along George Street.

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Additional information about the planned changes (*please see accompanying map*)

The changes described below are proposed based on community feedback, prior planning (the West Side Safe Routes to School Plan and the Saint Paul Bicycle Plan), and technical input from city staff. The goals of these changes are to slow drivers, provide better visibility of people walking and biking, and reduce the crossing distance for people walking. Changes will be made at the following intersections:

Ohio Street

Bumpouts (or curb extensions) will be added on the south side of the street to improve visibility of people crossing George Street, reduce the crossing distance for people walking, and slow drivers by narrowing the street. There will also be bumpouts into Ohio where possible.

Bidwell Street

The intersection of Bidwell Street and George Street has a unique curve. Bumpouts will be added to help address this curve and better align drivers, while also improving visibility of people crossing George Street, reducing the crossing distance for people walking, and slowing drivers by narrowing the street.

Manomin Avenue and Hall Avenue

A pedestrian refuge island (median) will be added on George Street at both intersections to help slow drivers and provide people walking and biking a place to pause and cross each lane of traffic separately. Both Manomin Avenue and Hall Avenue are recommended bicycle boulevards in the Saint Paul Bicycle Plan. Installing medians will give people biking north and south a more comfortable crossing of George Street, and also reduce the number of vehicles on both Manomin Avenue and Hall Avenue.

The medians at Manomin Avenue and Hall Avenue will not allow left turns onto or off of George Street. Traffic will not be able to cross George Street at Manomin Avenue and Hall Avenue (eliminates north and south movements). Traffic will still be allowed to drive along George Street (allows east and west movements) and turn right onto and off of George Street.

Stryker Avenue

The existing signal at George Street and Stryker Avenue is outdated and will be removed. The amount of traffic on George Street and Stryker Avenue does not meet current standards for replacing the signal with a new one. Instead, a four-way stop will be installed and bumpouts will be added to the north side of the street.

What you need to do in advance of the pedestrian improvement work:

- Remove any personal property, plantings, or sprinkler systems in the boulevard near pedestrian improvements as they may be impacted by construction. These items will not be replaced by the city.
- A flyer will be placed on your door if sidewalk or other pedestrian improvement work is happening adjacent to or near your property.

- The street will have temporary closures or lane restrictions during the pedestrian improvement work and milling and repaving operations. We will try to maintain access to driveways, but there may be temporary access restrictions. Please follow all posted signs.
- Please notify tenants/renters/visitors about the project and any parking restrictions.

How the project is funded

The project is funded by the city and assessments to the abutting property owners on George Street. The assessable cost to property owners is usually no more than 25% of the overall project cost. The 2025 assessment rates have not yet been set by the City Council. Property owners will receive a notification with the estimated assessment rate and a public hearing date at City Council before the start of construction. After the project is completed, property owners will receive the special assessment bill. More information about special assessments, including how the special assessment is calculated, is available at stpaul.gov/SpecialAssessments.

Project updates

To sign up for email updates and for additional information, please visit the project website at stpaul.gov/GeorgeResurfacing.

For any questions, please contact Public Works at 651-266-6100 or publicworksinfo@ci.stpaul.mn.us.

Thank you,
Saint Paul Public Works

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Summary of George Street Resurfacing and Crossing Improvements

