

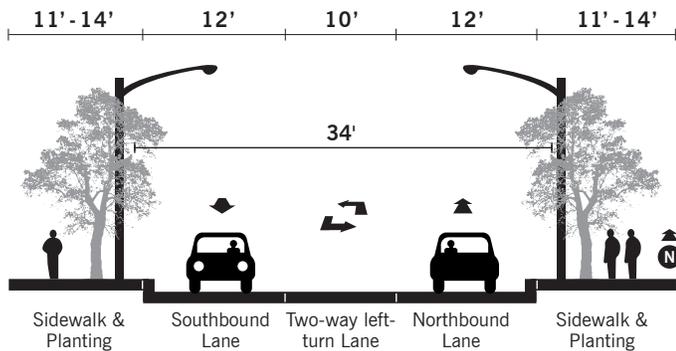
CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

April 2015

Phase 1 construction starts mid-May 2015

As soon as April, crews working for the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) will begin construction on 23rd Avenue between E John Street and S Jackson Street. This is the first phase of a project to improve safety and mobility for people who drive, walk, bike and take transit. SDOT will rebuild this stretch of 23rd Avenue from a four-lane street to a three-lane street — one lane in each direction with a center-turn lane (see diagram below). This phase of work also includes replacing the water main, installing new pavement, sidewalk improvements, traffic signal improvements, lighting improvements and public art.

Example cross-section between E John St and S Norman St

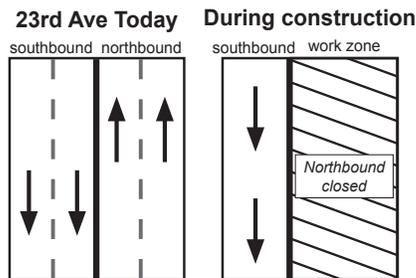


What to expect during construction

Construction is difficult and SDOT is working to minimize how project construction will impact businesses, residents and the traveling public. To limit the amount of time active construction is happening in any one area, Phase 1 is split into three work zones. See map at right for details about each work zone.

Neighbors can expect:

- No northbound traffic on 23rd Avenue with detours to Martin Luther King Jr Way
- Southbound traffic reduced to one lane
- Transit detours
- Multiple weekend closures of key intersections
- Short-term driveway closures and sidewalk detours
- Other typical construction impacts such as noise, dust and vibration (nighttime noise will be limited), and short-term utility interruptions



Phase 1 Construction



Expected construction duration ~ 20 months

Zone C ~ 6 months

Zone B ~ 6 months

Zone A ~ 8 months

■ Work zone
← Zone-specific detour
⋯ Greenway
(Implementation began in February)

To learn more about transit detours, visit metro.kingcounty.gov/alerts or call 206-553-3000.

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Construction is difficult and SDOT is working to minimize how project construction will impact businesses, residents and the traveling public. One key way we are minimizing impacts is by dividing the project into three work zones to minimize construction activities in front of any one area.

Tools we will use to:

Keep people and goods moving



Signal timing modifications

Signals will be adjusted along 23rd Avenue and Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard to maximize movements through major intersections.



Left turn restrictions

Left turn restrictions will be enforced at major intersections in the area to minimize traffic backups and improve traffic flow.



Signage

Directional signage will be used to inform the traveling public of ongoing construction activities and detours. Temporary wayfinding signs may also be used throughout the area to direct regional commuters to alternate routes for accessing SR 520 and I-90.



Neighborhood Greenway

The Central Area Neighborhood Greenway will be installed prior to corridor construction. The greenway will provide a space for people to bike and walk on a residential street. See the route on the map on the front side.

Keep people safe



Traffic speeds and volume analysis

SDOT will conduct studies prior to construction to document existing conditions and identify any safety issues that may arise during northbound detours.



Local Access Only signs and speed trailers

Based on the outcome of the speed and volume studies, Local Access Only signs or speed sign trailers may be installed on streets where cut-through traffic may occur.



Uniformed police officers (UPOs) and flaggers

UPOs will be stationed at key intersections to assist with traffic management in construction areas. Flaggers may also be used.

Support local businesses

- Continual business access for customers
- Limited interruptions to driveway access
- “Businesses Are Open” signs to encourage patronage [insert mini photo in place of icon]
- Customized maps and materials to support business marketing efforts
- Advance notice to businesses through direct door-to-door outreach, phone calls and/or emails
- Keeping the project area as tidy as possible



Inform and involve the community



- Providing an on-site community liaison to ensure two-way communications throughout construction
- Staffing a 24-hour hotline to respond to construction questions and concerns
- Weekly website and email notices with construction forecasts
- Participation in community organization briefings and events
- Monthly drop-in sessions to share construction schedule details, answer questions and address any issues
- Translating materials and/or providing interpreters

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