

# CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

January 2015

## 23rd Avenue Corridor Improvements Project

### Phase 1 construction starts in 2015

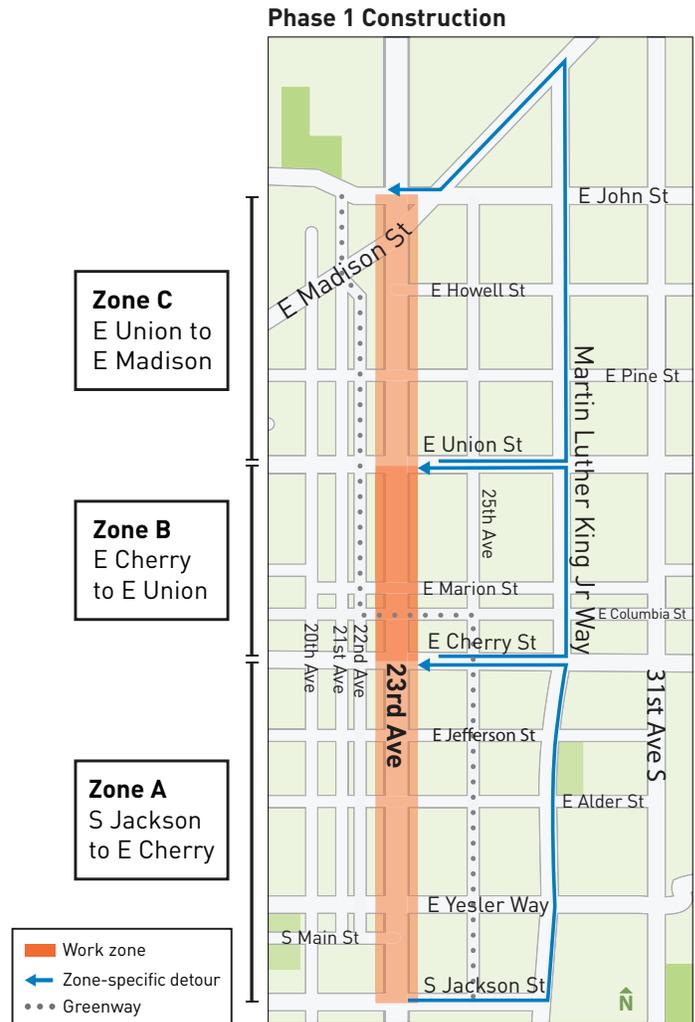
Beginning in early 2015, the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) will begin constructing improvements to 23rd Avenue between E John Street and S Jackson Street. This is the first phase of a project to improve safety and mobility for drivers, pedestrians, bicyclists and transit users. SDOT will redesign 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.

### What you can expect

Construction is expected to last approximately 20 months, split into three work zones to minimize impacts to nearby businesses, the community and traveling public. We expect the first few weeks of detours for each phase will be difficult as drivers adapt to new routes.

Neighbors should anticipate the following traffic impacts during construction of each zone:

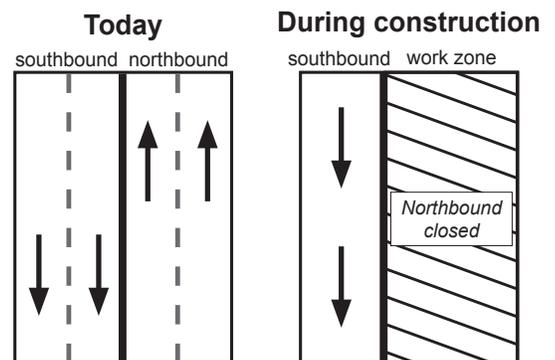
- Full northbound closures and detours
- Reduced lanes for southbound traffic
- Occasional night work could be required
- Multiple weekend closures of key intersections
- Short-term driveway closures and sidewalk detours
- Temporary, short-term loss of parking spaces on side streets



## FULL NORTHBOUND CLOSURES AND DETOURS DURING CONSTRUCTION

To ensure the safety of drivers and pedestrians, and allow enough space for crews to complete their work, northbound traffic will be detoured to Martin Luther King Jr. Way. Southbound traffic will be maintained, though likely reduced to one lane.

Zone A work is expected to take approximately 8 months, Zone B for 6 months, and Zone C for 6 months. We appreciate your patience as we make adjustments to keep traffic moving.



### PROJECT INFORMATION & CONTACT

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## Keeping your neighborhood safe and moving during construction

To balance the various needs of all who work, live and play on or near the project area, we have identified tools we can use during construction to better manage traffic and keep people safe on the neighborhood streets. These include:

### Mobility



#### 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 front side.

### Safety



#### 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.

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