

## 23rd Avenue Corridor Improvements Project

### PROGRESS TO DATE

Crews have continued making good progress rebuilding 23rd Ave since construction began in June 2015. You can see areas of completed and partially completed work all the way from S Jackson St to E Union St. As soon as June 1, crews will extend the northbound detour into Zone C (from E Union St to E John St) to continue rebuilding the street.

### UPCOMING CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

Rebuilding 23rd Ave includes major construction below and above the street. This work must be completed in sequential order, much like building a house. Here's what we have left to complete:

- Zone A (S Jackson St to E Cherry St)**  
 Building sidewalks and installing new electrical and landscaping features
- Zone B (E Cherry St to E Union St)**  
 Continue rebuilding the street and sidewalks and installing new electrical, storm drainage, and landscaping features
- Zone C (E Union St to E John St)**  
 As soon as June 1, crews will start installing new storm drains as they prepare to rebuild the street

### SCHEDULE UPDATE

The project is on schedule for completion in early 2017. We have heard clearly the community's request that we finish construction as quickly as possible. Since late February, we have been working with the contractor to look at different ways to sequence the remaining work. On March 14, we reopened Zone A to two-way traffic, because we could complete the remaining tasks in this zone without the full northbound detour.

After seeking input from key community stakeholders on phasing options between E Cherry St and E John St, crews will extend the northbound detour into Zone C as soon as June 1. This will mean a northbound detour will be in place in both zones B and C for up to 2 months. This 2-month overlap allows crews to be more efficient so we can complete the project by early 2017. This phasing option also results in the shortest timeline for detours in each zone and construction overall. Crews may work in Zone C before the northbound detour is extended as long as two-way traffic is maintained.

### ZONE B DETOUR

Nov. 30, 2015 - now



### ZONE B & C DETOUR

Starts as soon as June 1 (for up to 2 months)



### ZONE C DETOUR

Starts as soon as August - early 2017



#### LEGEND

Closed to northbound traffic

Northbound detour

Open to eastbound/westbound traffic

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## WHAT WE'VE HEARD AND WHAT WE'RE DOING

We know that construction has been hard on the community, including local businesses, residents, and commuters. Crews are doing all they can to finish construction as safely and as quickly as possible. Over the last several months, we have been making a concerted effort to address community concerns about the construction zone appearance, signage, and business access.

- To improve the cleanliness of the construction area, crews moved construction materials and some equipment to an off-site staging yard and implemented daily site inspections.
- To improve our pedestrian detours, we have introduced new orange and white partitions.
- To help promote business patronage, we have increased and adjusted the placement of "businesses are open" signage to be more visible during weekend detours, begun wayfinding signage consultations with businesses, and included additional promotion of businesses in our construction flyers and email updates. The Office of Economic Development also helped businesses apply for the business stabilization fund, utility deferrals, and other technical and financial services.



Work to replace the 100-year-old water main is complete

## PROJECT BACKGROUND

This project improves safety and mobility for people who drive, walk, bike, and take transit in the area. SDOT is rebuilding this section of 23rd Ave from four lanes to three wider lanes, with one lane in each direction and a two-way center turn lane. The project also includes replacing the water main, widening and repairing sidewalks, improving transit speed and reliability, and installing new storm drainage, street lights, and public art.



Crews are installing new sidewalks on 23rd Ave

## JOIN US FOR A COMMUNITY DROP-IN

Visit us at an upcoming drop-in to learn more about the work completed, upcoming construction activities, transit detours and business access, and to discuss your questions with project staff.

**TUESDAY, MAY 24**

**2:00 – 4:00 PM**

Black Dot @ Union, MidTown Center  
1160 23rd Ave, Seattle, WA 98122

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 25**

**4:30 – 6:30 PM**

Garfield Community Center, Multipurpose Room  
2323 E Cherry St, Seattle, WA 98122

## PROJECT INFORMATION & CONTACT

**Visit:** [www.seattle.gov/transportation/23rd\\_ave.htm](http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/23rd_ave.htm)

Sign up for email updates

**Email:** [23rdAveCorridor@seattle.gov](mailto:23rdAveCorridor@seattle.gov)

**Call the 24-hour construction hotline:** 206-727-8857



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