CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

Vision Zero 4th Ave S & S Massachusetts St Safety Improvements

ABOUT THE PROJECT

To help keep people safe, we will make changes on S Massachusetts St and on 4th Ave S between S Holgate St and S Massachusetts St. Since 2021, eight people have lost their lives in traffic-related collisions within a quarter mile radius of this project area. Safety improvements are vital for protecting life and reaching our Vision Zero goal to end traffic deaths and serious injuries on city streets. We will use cost effective, easily moveable/removable materials to make it safer for people to get around in a variety of ways.

WHAT WE'RE DOING

Encourage predictable vehicle movements by

- Adding striped curb bulbs at the intersection of 4th Ave S and S Massachusetts St. This encourages vehicles to make a wider turn, which is safer for people walking.
- Formalizing parking stalls on S Massachusetts St.

Reduce pedestrian exposure to traffic and improve visibility by

- Changing the timing of the traffic signal at S Holgate St to give people walking across 4th Ave S a head start before vehicles.
- Painting striped sections for five feet on either side of driveways on 4th Ave S to discourage parking close to entrances. This will improve visibility of people walking and using the driveway.
- Creating separated walkways using concrete wheel stops for people walking on S Massachusetts St.

Support slower speeds by

• Installing a median island with paint and posts on 4th Ave S that encourages slower speeds while still allowing lefthand turns to access businesses.

PROJECT TIMELINE

- Work may start as soon as June 30, depending on crew availability and weather conditions
- Construction will occur over one weekend

WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION

- Traffic lane closures on 4th Ave S – there will be a least one lane open in each direction
- No parking on 4th Ave S between S Holgate St and S Massachusetts St
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- Businesses will have access to their driveways on 4th Ave S and on S Massachusetts St

PROJECT INFORMATION & CONTACT

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- Typical hatched striping to improve visibility on either side of a driveway or intersection. This is called "parking daylighting" 6
- Business driveway access is maintained in both directions of 4th Ave S 9
- Striped designated parking stalls with one ADA stall near driveway 6
- 8 Typical pedestrian walkway with curbstops