

Nov. 9, 2023

RE: Cedar Lake Road and Louisiana Avenue Improvements

Open House #4: Tuesday, Dec. 5, 2023, 5:30 – 7 p.m.

Dear Community Member:

You are invited to attend an open house to view 90% plans for the Cedar Lake Road project between Highway 169 and Rhode Island Avenue. Cedar Lake Road and Louisiana Avenue will be reconstructed in 2024-2026.

<p>In-person open house Tuesday, Dec. 5, 2023 5:30 – 7 p.m. <i>Presentation begins at 6 p.m.</i> Westwood Hills Nature Center 8300 W Franklin Avenue</p>	<p>Virtual open house Monday, Dec. 4, 2023 2 – 3 p.m. <i>Presentation begins at 2 p.m.</i> Link for the meeting is posted at https://bit.ly/RedoCedarLou</p>
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At this meeting, you will receive an update on the proposed project, learn what to expect during construction, and view layouts showing information on streets, sidewalks, bike facilities, and utility improvements. Please refer to the project scope overview attached to this letter for more information on these proposed improvements.


The virtual open house will be recorded and posted on the project's website at <https://bit.ly/RedoCedarLou> by the end of the day on Dec. 6 so that it can be viewed at any time.

The 90% plans are available to view on the project website.

Throughout the public participation process, city staff are committed to keeping residents informed, listening to and acknowledging concerns, and providing feedback on how resident input influenced final plans.

If you have questions or are unable to attend the meetings and would like to discuss the project at another time, please contact me at jshamla@stlouisparkmn.gov or 952.924.2552. City staff are happy to meet with you individually for a virtual or in-person meeting.

I look forward to working with you and your neighbors.

Sincerely,

Joseph Shamla, P.E.
Engineering project manager

Attachments: Project scope overview, project map

Cc: engineering director, city manager, ward 4 council member; Nextdoor

Project scope overview

- In 2024, Cedar Lake Road will be reconstructed from Jordan Avenue to Rhode Island Avenue. This includes removal of street pavement, curb and gutter, and driveway aprons.
 - A cycletrack bike facility will be constructed along the corridor.
 - The signal system at Texas Avenue and Cedar Lake Road will be improved and updated to current standards.
 - Sidewalk will be added to the south side of Cedar Lake Road.
 - Parking will be removed along Cedar Lake Road.
 - Existing sidewalk segments that remain will be inspected and replaced as needed.
 - Approximately 50% of the watermain will be removed and replaced.
 - Miscellaneous utility repairs.
 - Streetscape improvements.

- In 2025-2026, Cedar Lake Road from Rhode Island Avenue to Kentucky Avenue and Louisiana Avenue from Wayzata Boulevard to 23rd Street will be reconstructed. The 30% layout for this portion of the project, which was presented at the last open house, will be available for review at this meeting.
 - A roundabout will be installed at the intersection of Cedar Lake Road and Louisiana Avenue.
 - A cycletrack bike facility will be constructed along Cedar Lake Road.
 - The bike facility for Louisiana Avenue will be a combination of a trail with an alternate bike route. This option was chosen to limit the tree impacts in the corridor.
 - The signal system at Nevada Avenue and Cedar Lake Road and at Franklin Avenue and Louisiana Avenue will be removed. They will be replaced with rectangular rapid flashing beacons to help pedestrians and bikes cross Cedar Lake Road and Louisiana Avenue.
 - Miscellaneous utility repairs.
 - Streetscape improvements

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