

Project Information Sheet

8th Avenue Streetscape

Project Description:

The 8th Avenue Streetscape project will repave 8th Avenue from Lincoln Street to Mill Street, convert the section to a two-way street, construct protected bike lanes from High Street to Lincoln Street, add all-way stops at key intersections, and widen sidewalks and reconstruct sidewalk access ramps.

Motor vehicle parking on the south side of 8th Avenue will be removed and parking on the north side will be relocated away from the curb, to allow for the protected bike lanes. The protected bike lanes will have wide concrete curbs that will separate vehicle traffic and bike traffic (similar to the 13th Avenue Bikeway). The project aims to create a safe travel option for community members of all ages and abilities to access Downtown Eugene and the Riverfront.

Project Scope:

- **Repaving** of 8th Avenue (Lincoln to Mill Street)
- **Two-way conversion** of 8th Avenue (Lincoln to Mill Street)
- **Protected bike lanes** on 8th Avenue (High to Lincoln Street)
- **Widened sidewalks** and reconstructed sidewalk access ramps on 8th Avenue
- **All-way stop signs** at key intersections on 8th Avenue (Willamette, Olive and Lincoln Street)
- **New traffic signals** to accommodate two-way traffic and add bike signals
- **Removing parking** on the SOUTH side of 8th Avenue
- **Moving parking** on the NORTH side of 8th Avenue away from the curb to buffer the bike lane
- **New stormwater planters** to clean runoff from city streets
- **Raised intersection** in coordination with the Farmers Market Pavilion design (Along the Park Blocks)
- **Tree removal, tree planting, & tree pit widening** to promote tree health

Construction Schedule:

Construction is scheduled for late fall 2022 and will continue through the spring of 2024. Stormwater planters outside of the 8th Avenue corridor will be constructed from late fall 2022 through the spring of 2024. The raised intersection through the Park Blocks, paving between Willamette St and Pearl St, and associated stormwater planters will be constructed in early Spring 2023. 8th Avenue between Pearl St and Mill St will be constructed in the summer of 2023. 8th Avenue between Willamette St and Lincoln St will be constructed in the fall of 2023 through the spring of 2024. Utility crews, such as water and electric, may be in the area adjusting and repairing facilities prior to the project work.

Travel Impacts:

- People driving should expect lane closures and lane shifts during construction. People biking should expect to merge with motor vehicle traffic depending on available lane widths during construction. People walking should expect detours and some temporary closed crossings.
- On street parking may be restricted to accommodate construction activities.
- Expect equipment and workers in the roadway, with possible congestions and delays during construction.
- 8th Avenue will be closed for construction between W Park and E Park Street in the Spring 2023, limiting access to W Park, E Park, N Park, and S Park.

Project Funding:

- The major sources of funding are from federal grants and the 2017 Street Bond Measure.

For More Information:

- Project Manager: Rachael Love, phone 541-501-0379, RLove@eugene-or.gov
- Online road reports (during construction) at www.eugene-or.gov/traffic.
- On Twitter (during construction) at www.Twitter.com/EugenePW.

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