

Welcome

**Lowry Avenue (County Road 153)
reconstruction Phase 2 open house**



Project background & schedule

Hennepin County is working to reconstruct Lowry Avenue (County Road 153) to make it a safer, more comfortable street for people walking, rolling, biking, taking transit and driving to the many communities and businesses along the corridor.

Construction on Phase 1, between Washington and Johnson streets, began this spring. Phase 2 between Marshall and Washington streets is earlier in its design phase, construction on this segment is anticipated to begin in 2026, dates subject to change.



2022-2023
Planning



2023 - 2025
Design



2026
Construction



Lowry Avenue Phase 2 timeline

Project goals

1

Improve pedestrian safety, access, and comfort

2

Create a bicycle connection for all ages and abilities bicycle connection

3

Support existing and future transit service

4

Increase greening on the corridor

5

Support business activities, deliveries, and access

What have we learned so far?

Engagement is essential for the success of the Lowry Avenue reconstruction project. Our efforts aim to enhance the vibrant life along the street, benefiting residents, businesses, and visitors. Previous engagement with businesses, residents, and users of the corridor has influenced the current design concepts. As we continue to engage the public, we will listen to and respond to the feedback we receive. Below is some of the feedback we've commonly heard about the corridor.



Safety concerns from people crossing Lowry Avenue and issues with vehicles turning off the corridor



Concerns with the volume of truck traffic



Questions about bicycles mixing with vehicles on-street



Issues with the speed of vehicles

Upcoming outreach



Neighborhood meetings

Purpose: Share updates from business engagement and upcoming neighborhood meetings

Goal: Make neighborhood organizations aware of the upcoming engagement and share information with their network and communities



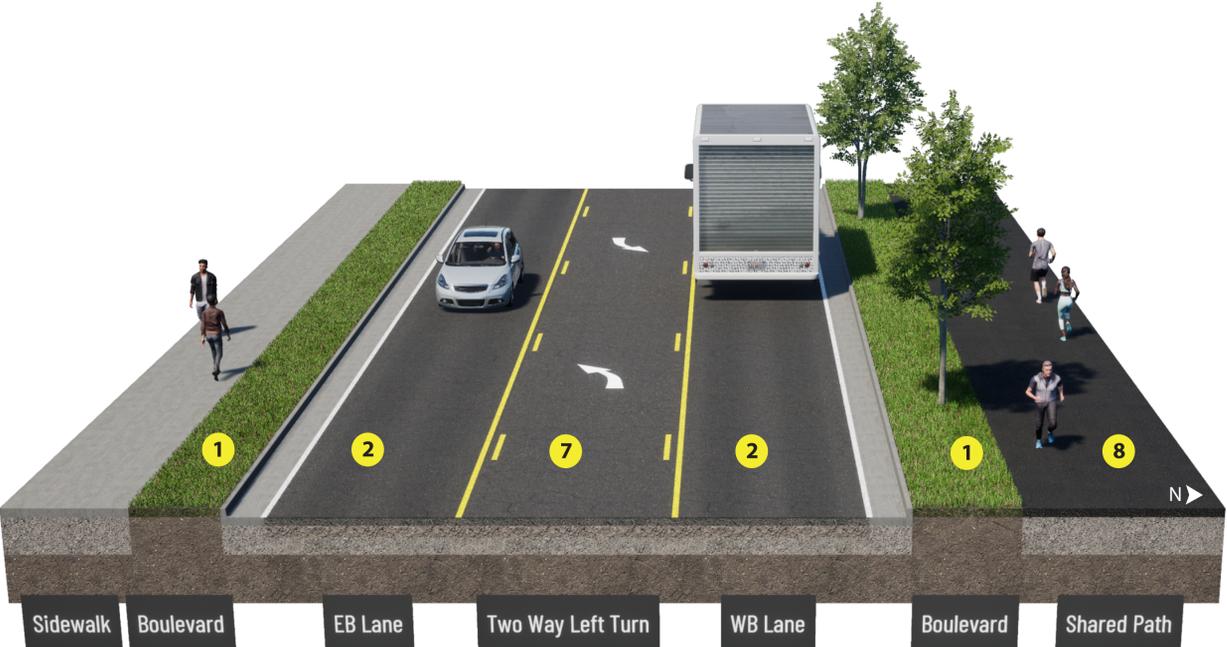
Business engagement

Purpose: Engage with businesses, understand their operations on Lowry and listen to their feedback

Goal: Establish clear communication, understand business operations (such as deliveries, parking, public space use, and customer access), and explore ways to improve safety and traffic flow on the corridor

Lowry Avenue from Marshall to University

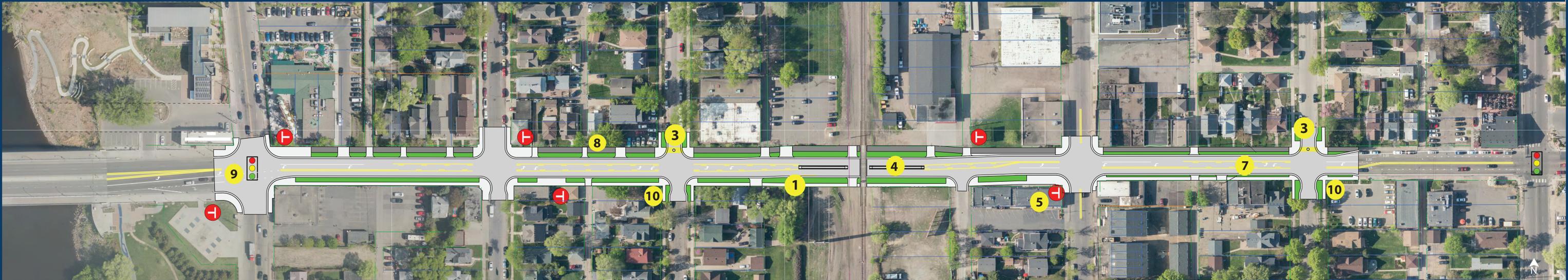
Lowry Avenue typical cross section



Design features

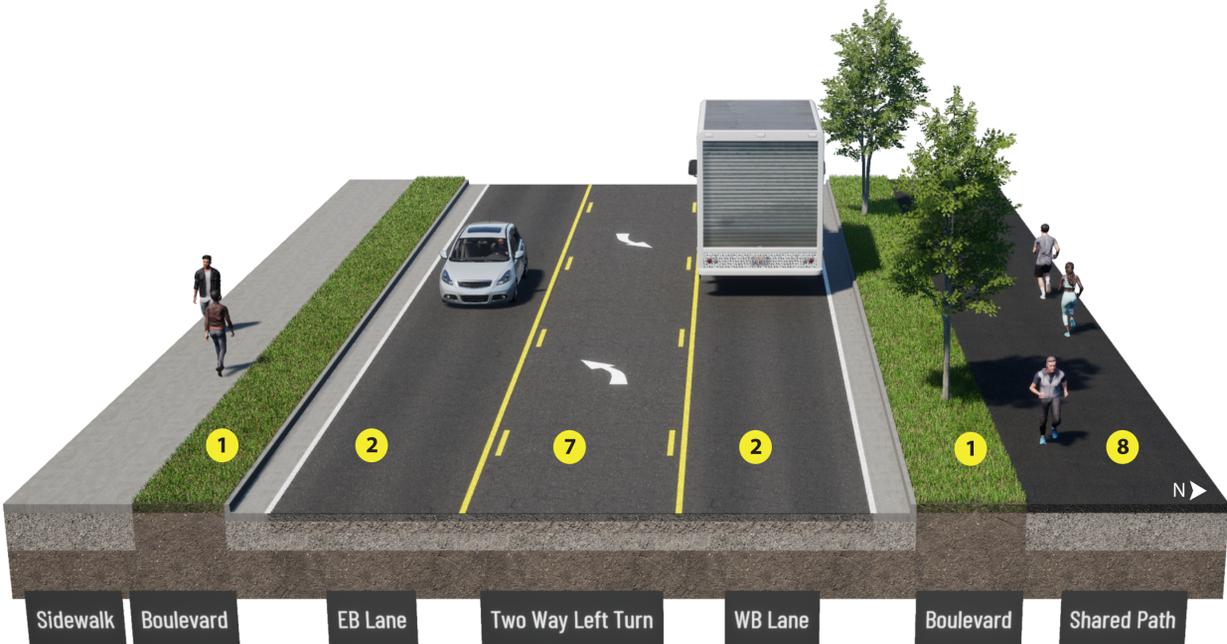
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- 2. Narrowed street widths encourage slower travel speeds
- 3. Raised crossings improve safety for people walking and rolling
- 4. Medians improve vehicle safety and operations
- 5. In-lane bus stops streamline transit service for passengers and minimizes traffic delays
- 6. A refuge provides space for pedestrians and for people using mobility devices
- 7. A three-lane design with a center turn lane supports traffic flow by separating turning vehicles from through traffic
- 8. Shared use paths make it safer for people to walk and bike
- 9. New signals and updated ADA ramps
- 10. Bump outs increase visibility for pedestrians, narrowing crossing distances and slow down turning vehicles

Lowry Avenue from Marshall Street to University Avenue



Lowry Avenue from University to Washington

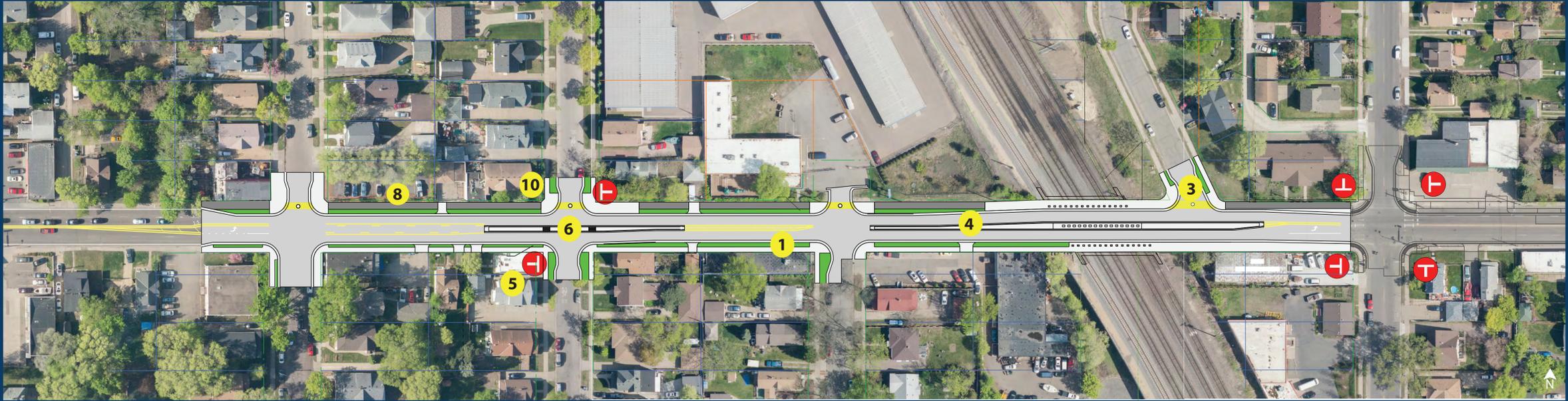
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Lowry Avenue from University Avenue to Washington Street



Precedent images



Shared-use path



Pedestrian refuge

Intersection bump-outs



Raised crossing



Share your thoughts

Comment on the online wikimap



Fill out a comment card

A screenshot of a comment card titled "Lowry Avenue Reconstruction". The card has a blue header with the Hennepin logo. Below the header, it says "Please leave your email or phone number if you would like to be contacted:" followed by several horizontal lines for writing. At the bottom, there is a small QR code and the text "Want to learn more? Scan the QR code or visit the project website at hennepin.us/livable-lowry".

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