

# We need your input!

- Do you have any concerns about how the road currently functions for vehicle traffic?
- Where would improved pedestrian connections or other amenities help encourage transit use?
- As a pedestrian, what concerns do you have related to walking in the corridor?
- Are you comfortable biking along the corridor as it is today? What changes would encourage you to bike more?
- The future concept includes an off street trail throughout the corridor. Is an on street facility needed in addition for bike commuters?
- Where are pedestrian connections needed (east-west) across the corridor? What destinations currently have inadequate access on foot?

If you have comments or questions, please contact: **Brooklyn Center Public Works Department** 763.569.3340 or publicworks@ci.brooklyn-center.mn

Or visit: http://www.ci.brooklyn-center.mn.us/index.aspx?NID=833

# **Brooklyn Boulevard Corridor Study**

The City of Brooklyn Center in partnership with Hennepin County, Three Rivers Park District, Minnesota Department of Transportation, and Metro Transit.

# You're Invited!

Please join us at an open house meeting:

Tuesday, June 19th 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. **West Fire Station** 6250 Brooklyn Boulevard

We will share drawings and maps of the concept under study and ask for your input.

Come share your thoughts about making Brooklyn Boulevard a friendly place to bike, walk, or travel by bus as well as by car.

Your input is needed to ensure a vital corridor to live, work, and shop.

- efficient.
- Brooklyn Boulevard.
- redevelop.





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# **Study Overview**

Brooklyn Boulevard provides access to commercial businesses, connects Highway 100 and Highway 694, and connects residential areas. The City of Brooklyn Center is leading a study to assess the current conditions of the corridor, develop a long-term vision, and identify improvements to shape the future of the corridor. A long-term concept is under study that will:

• Update Brooklyn Boulevard to make the road safer and more

• Better incorporate the road with trails, sidewalks, and transit.

 Incorporate streetscaping for a more visually appealing corridor and define the character of

 Identify improvements that can occur over time as properties





# Long Term Concepts

The long-term vision for Brooklyn Boulevard will improve roadway operations and safety, improve conditions for pedestrians and bicyclists, and create a more attractive roadway. Key components under study include:

- Sidewalks, trails, and on-street bike lanes
- Improved roadway crossings
- · Center medians to improve safety and aesthetics
- · Intersection modifications to improve efficiency
- Access consolidation
- Potential redevelopment opportunities for City-owned properties

# Future Concept – South of Highway 100



Example of two lane road with center turn lane, addition of boulevards, trail on one side and sidewalks on the other.

# Future Concept - City Center



Example of paved median with bollards banners, and street lights – Eden Prairie

- Similar to existing road options for four lane road or two lanes with center turn lane and shoulders
- Adding boulevards with additional trees as a buffer between sidewalk and street
- Additional bike facilities (on street bike lane) under study, to connect to facilities in Minneapolis
- Area near Shingle Creek Crossing
  (formerly Brookdale Center)
- Major entry into Brooklyn Center from Highway 100
- Adding median design elements and streetscaping elements to establish character
- Improved regional Trail crossing at 55th
  Avenue

## Future Concept - North End



## Future Concept - Bass Lake Road Area



Sketch of streetscaping elements for Bass Lake Road intersection

### **Redevelopment Concepts**



- Construct median to improve safety and road function
- Closing driveways when possible as properties redevelop
- Adding turn lanes in select locations
- Improve crossings for bikes and pedestrians
- Opportunity to build on recent Bass Lake Road project
- Establish continuity of visual character
- Improve bike/pedestrian crossing

- Alternatives under consideration for City-owned parcels
- Also studying future alternative uses for key residential parcels with willing sellers



