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**West 65th Street Rehabilitation Project
Traffic Advisory
Denison Avenue to Herman Avenue
(Wards 3, 14, and 15)**

Expect additional traffic notices as improvements continue

CLEVELAND – On Monday March 15, 2021, weather permitting, the City will begin construction of the West 65th Street Rehabilitation Project from Denison Avenue to Herman Avenue (1.9 miles). The project will include installation of a new water main and connections, repair and resurfacing of existing roadway pavement, replacement of damaged curbs, drive aprons, and sidewalks where needed, ADA-compliant curb ramps, upgrades to traffic signals, new pavement markings, and bicycle facilities.

Traffic on West 65th Street during Phase 1 of the project will be maintained as follows:

- From Denison Avenue to Clark Avenue, one lane of traffic will be maintained in the southbound direction. Northbound West 65th Street traffic will be detoured north on West 73rd Street, and then east on Clark Avenue to West 65th Street.
- From Clark Avenue to Detroit Avenue, one lane of traffic will be maintained in each direction.
- From Detroit Avenue to Herman Avenue, one lane of traffic will be maintained in the northbound direction. Southbound West 65th Street traffic will be detoured east on Breakwater Avenue then south on West 58th Street and then west on Detroit Avenue to West 65th Street.

The work will take place during the hours of 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. This portion of the project should be finished by September 2021. The entire project is scheduled for completion in March 2022.

Should there be any questions, please contact the City of Cleveland's Construction Inspector, Cecil Benson at 216-857-7648.

Editor's Note: Road construction invariably presents hazards to the public. All travelers are urged to use caution in construction zones. Public safety and the safety of workers is a top priority.

About the City of Cleveland

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West 65th Rehabilitation Denison Avenue to Herman Avenue



Complete Street and Safe Design Requirements:

- The characteristics of two typologies are present within the W. 65th Street project limits, as defined in the City's Complete and Green Streets Topologies Plan:
 - Medium Neighborhood Street typology describes the section from Denison Avenue to Storer Avenue on the southern end of the project, and from Lorain Avenue to Herman Avenue on the northern end.
 - Medium Industrial Street typology is present from Storer Avenue to Lorain Avenue.
- New thermoplastic pavement markings will be installed to support a traffic calming road diet. The road diet will improve safety by channeling traffic into one lane in each direction, with center left turn slots at signalized intersections. On-street parking will be permitted at designated locations.
- The pavement resurfacing project on West 65th Street extends from Denison Avenue to Herman Avenue, approximately 2 miles.
- The existing asphalt surface will be removed, the underlying pavement base will be repaired and new asphalt will be placed in two courses.
- 64 each Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant curb ramps will be installed at pedestrian crossing locations.
- Repairs or replacement of some non-compliant street curbs, sidewalks and drive aprons as required.
- 30 pedestrian crossings will be installed at intersections and at specified midblock locations.
- 5 pedestrian crossings will include enhanced high-visibility pavement markings.
- 4 pedestrian crossings will include push-button operated flashing signals (RRFB's)
- Approximately 62,000 square feet of sidewalk will be replaced.

Green Infrastructure Design Requirements:

- Sewer castings will be replaced as required.
- Sewer will be inspected and cleaned as required.
- Urban Forestry will assess street trees for trimming and/or removal of dead diseased trees.
- Urban Forestry will replace trees as required under citywide program.



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Multimodal and Active Transportation Pavement Marking and Signage Requirements:

- 2.5 miles of bike lanes will be installed on both sides of the street.
- 1.2 miles of shared lanes will be installed in both directions on the street.
- Green paint will highlight bike symbol pavement markings (pending).
- Raised pavement reflectors will enhance bike lane lines (pending).
- Multi model signage will be installed as per requirements.

Stakeholder Involvement and Plan Development:

- The project design followed the Ohio Department of Transportation Plan Development process and Engineering & Construction policies and procedures.
- Stakeholder/public involvement virtual event held from June 4 through June 14th, 2020.
- Pre-construction public meeting to be held prior to construction start March 1, 2021.

Envision Rating for Complete, Green, and Sustainable Design:

The Envision Rating for this project is Silver (54 points) which meets project goals.

Note: Additional Complete & Green Street Elements may be added if funding becomes available.

Maintenance of Traffic During Construction:

- The project will be constructed in two (2) phases and is expected to last one (1) construction season.
- Phase 1 will consist of all work on the east side of the road while traffic is maintained on the existing pavement on the west side of the road. This phase will include the water main installation from Franklin Blvd. to Detroit Avenue.
- Phase 2 will consist of all work on the west side of the road while traffic is maintained on the new pavement on the east side of the road.
- Traffic will be maintained during both phases as follows:
 - One lane of southbound traffic will be maintained from Denison Ave. to Clark Ave. Northbound traffic will be detoured.
 - One lane of traffic in each direction will be maintained from Clark Ave. to Detroit Ave.
 - One lane of northbound traffic will be maintained from Detroit Ave. to Herman Ave. Southbound traffic will be detoured.
- Access to residences and businesses will be maintained throughout construction.

Funding:

- Construction Cost: \$4.5 million
- Funding Sources: \$1.8 million – City Road & Bridge Bonds, Ward funds, Utility funds
\$2.7 million – OPWC Grant

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Timeline:

- Design started: July 2019
- Bid: September 2020
- Estimated Start Construction: March 2021
- Estimated End Construction: March 2022

Council Wards:

- Ward 15 – Councilmember Jenny Spencer
Approximately 63% of project length:
West 65th Street from Herman Avenue to the north side of Clark Avenue, east and west sides of the street.
- Ward 14 – Councilmember Jasmin Santana
Approximately 22% of project length:
West 65th Street from the Norfolk Southern bridge to Storer Avenue on the west side of the street, and from Storer Avenue to Denison Avenue, east and west sides of the street.
- Ward 3 – Councilmember Kerry McCormack
Approximately 15% of project length:
West 65th Street from the south side of Clark Avenue to the Norfolk Southern bridge, east and west sides of the street, and from the Norfolk Southern bridge to Storer Avenue on the east side of the street.