

Public Involvement Information

Forest Mall Redevelopment Intersection Improvements Project

West Johnson Street (US 45/WIS 23)
North Pioneer Road to North Peters Avenue
City of Fond du Lac
Fond du Lac County



Welcome

This handout is for the City of Fond du Lac's Intersection Improvement project on West Johnson Street (US 45/WIS 23) between North Pioneer Road and North Peters Avenue in the City of Fond du Lac. The two mall entrances/intersections are being improved as a result of the Forest Mall Redevelopment on the north side of Johnson Street.

Due to current public health guidance to limit public gatherings, an in-person public involvement meeting for this project is not planned.

This handout and project exhibits, which are located on the City of Fond du Lac's website. <https://www.fdl.wi.gov/engineering/w-johnson-st-improvements/> are available to help familiarize you with the project details. We encourage you to review the exhibits. In addition to these there is a public involvement comment form for your written comments and concerns about this project. You may submit your comment form via email to tconto@fdl.wi.gov, or return by mail as noted on the form. We ask that all comments be returned by April 30, 2021.

Purpose and need

Improve the safety and efficiency of traffic utilizing the two mall entrances/intersections along Johnson Street between Pioneer Road and Peters Avenue. Traffic volumes using the intersections are anticipated to increase as a result of the Forest Mall Redevelopment.

From 2012-2018, 67 reportable crashes occurred at these two intersections.

- 84% of the crashes were angle type crashes.
- 46% of these angle type crashes involved injuries.

The intersection of Johnson Street and the west Forest Mall Entrance is currently a two-way stop-controlled intersection with a notably high crash rate, especially angle type crashes, compared to the small traffic volumes. The intersection of Johnson Street and the east Forest Mall Entrance is very similar in operation and geometry to the Johnson Street/west Forest Mall Entrance with a slightly higher crash rate and higher volumes of traffic entering Johnson Street.

Proposed improvement

Johnson Street / West Mall Intersection

- Install traffic signals
- Modify the intersection by constructing "slotted" left-turn lanes along Johnson Street
- Add a crosswalk across Johnson Street and include pedestrian-actuated push buttons

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- Modify the intersection by constructing a median channelization island for left-turn movements from Johnson Street. This will prohibit left-turn and through movements and allow for right-turn only movements from the north and south intersections onto Johnson Street.

Safety & Operations

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- Installation of traffic signals is anticipated to result in a decreased rate of angle crashes.
- “Slotted” left turn lanes result in positive left turn offsets, which make it easier for drivers to identify acceptable gaps for completing permissive left turns.
- Traffic signals will mitigate side street delays and decrease the difficulty of making left turn and through movements.

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- Proposed access restrictions would eliminate the movements involved in 60% of crashes that occurred at this intersection.
- Median channelization on Johnson Street result in positive left turn offsets, which make it easier for drivers to identify acceptable gaps for completing permissive left turns.

Right-of-way

No new right-of-way acquisition is anticipated for this project.

Access during construction

- Johnson Street will remain open during construction with lane closures
- Side road access will be closed at certain times during construction, however the closures will be staggered to allow access to businesses at all times
- Emergency vehicle access will be maintained at all times

What's next?

- Review input received from public involvement comment forms
- Transition preliminary plans to final design
- Continue to coordinate with local community leaders and impacted property owners
- Construction anticipated for summer/fall 2021

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FOREST MALL INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS
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- PROPOSED ROADWAY
- PROPOSED RAISED MEDIAN
- PROPOSED CURB & GUTTER
- PROPOSED SIDEWALK



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