

WHITTIER - 26th / 28th St

Signalized Intersection Safety Improvements

Project overview

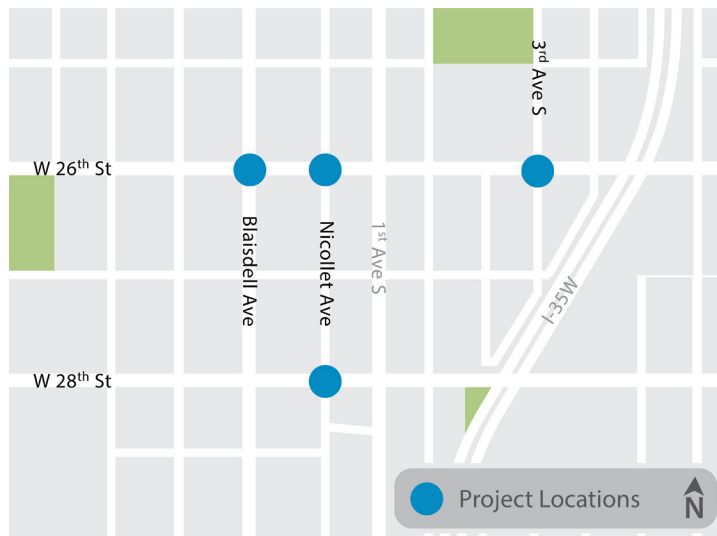
The City will improve four intersections in the Whittier neighborhood in south Minneapolis. The goal of these improvements is to increase traffic safety for all users. This includes people walking, biking, riding transit and driving.

The project will upgrade the traffic signals and pedestrian curb ramps at each of the four intersections. Other types of safety improvements will also be included. This could include curb extensions, medians, and lighting.

This project is one of many scheduled for the Nicollet Ave South corridor. [See the page below for more info.](#)

Project goals

- Make signals easier to see and reduce the number of crashes.
- Improve safety and shorten distance of pedestrian crossings.
- Make areas more accessible by adding ADA-compliant ramps and signals.



Project schedule

2025-26	2026	2028 or 2029*	2028 or 2029*
Planning	Design	Construction	Completion

*Flexible construction year will allow for coordination with other projects if needed. See reverse side for details.

Improvement types

The project improvements will upgrade traffic signal infrastructure and make changes to increase the safety of pedestrian crossings. Improvements will include:

1. Improved traffic signal visibility
2. Curb extensions at some intersection corners (center medians may also be used)
3. Accessible Pedestrian Signals (APS)
4. ADA-compliant pedestrian curb ramps
5. LED Lighting on traffic signal poles



Transportation Action Plan

This project is aligned with the Transportation Action Plan, the city's vision for safer, greener and more modern streets that serve all people and all the ways they want to get around.

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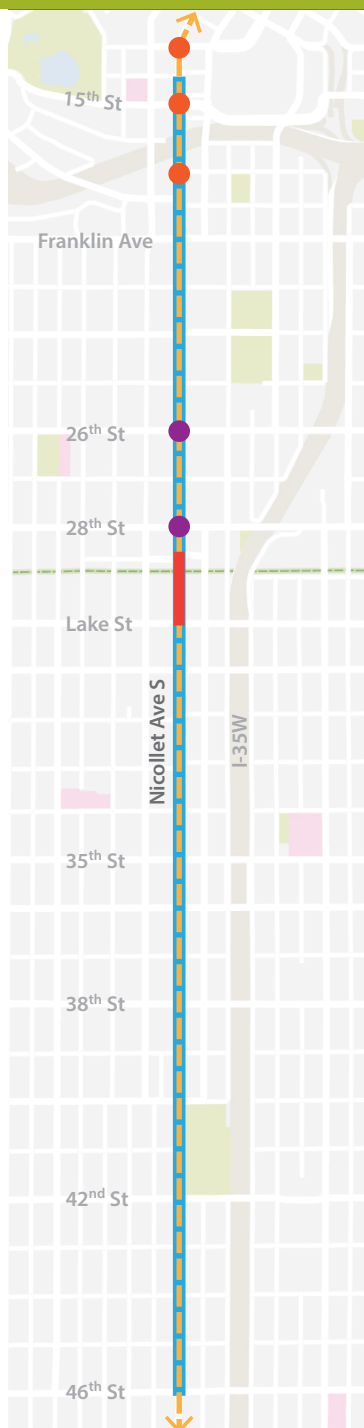
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Nicollet Ave Corridor Improvements

Many improvement projects are in progress, planned, or under consideration for Nicollet Ave S in the coming years. These projects are aimed at improving the safety and accessibility of the corridor south of downtown between Loring Park and Kingfield.

● ● Loring Park Intersection Improvements – 2025

Three intersections on Nicollet Ave received safety improvements in 2025 – Grant St, 15th St, and 18th St. Improvements to these intersections included signal work, curb extensions, and ADA ramps.

— New Nicollet – 2026

In 2026, a new section of Nicollet Ave will be constructed between Cecil Newman Ln and Lake St. This project is part of the redevelopment of the former K-Mart site. The Nicollet Ave bridge over the Midtown Greenway will also be replaced and the access ramp to the Midtown Greenway will be moved to 1st Ave S.

● ● Whittier 26th/28th St Intersection Improvements – 2028 or 2029

[See the page above for more info on this project.](#)

— Nicollet Ave Pedestrian Project – 2029

This project will make safety improvements at intersections throughout the Nicollet Ave S corridor between 14th St and 46th St. Most intersections within the project area will receive improvements. Treatments may include curb extensions, medians, ADA ramps, or improved signals depending on the location.

↔ METRO Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Evaluation – 2031 or beyond

Nicollet Ave S is currently served by the Route 18 bus. The corridor is also being considered for a new BRT route. Metro Transit will announce the results of its study to decide the next BRT routes in 2026. If selected, BRT could come to Nicollet Ave S as soon as 2031. Improvements could include in-lane bus stops with upgraded amenities, signal changes, and other transit advantages.

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