

2020 Sidewalk & Terrace Reconstruction on MLK

Public Involvement Meeting by City of Madison Engineering Division November 21, 2019

Project Location





Existing Conditions

Sidewalk

- Combination of standard concrete with decorative pavers
- Asphalt patching around the many offsets & joint failures
- Recent projects to reset pavers to fix trip hazards
- Street
 - Concrete Pvmt rated 6/10
 - $^\circ$ Curb rated 8/10







Existing Trees

> Planted in 2 rows

79 Total trees (4 unplanted sites)Mostly all ginkgos

Poor growing environment Poorly draining soil

- Fooling unanning son
- Limited growth of trees
 - Low branches are problematic for pedestrians and events

> Frequent replacement of trees

>Average 6 per year since 2008





Existing Street Amenities

Lighting

- Decorative pedestrian lights
- City standard street lights
- Bike racks
 - Older racks near CCB
- B-cycle Station
- Benches
- Concrete Bollards
- Receptacles







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Proposed Design

- Replace all of the sidewalk & terrace with standard and colored concrete sidewalk
- Remove the existing trees & grates and plant new trees in improved growing environment
- > Spot pavement and curb repairs, as needed
- > Replace street amenities
- > Existing street lights are planned to remain
 - Reviewed for potential replacement of pedestrian lighting, but not currently budgeted with this project



Sidewalk Replacement

Mainline sidewalk replaced with standard concrete

Replace pavers with colored concrete

>Longer lasting, easier to maintain







Improved Tree Planting Sites

Install terrace support system
 Provide more soil volume while

- keeping pedestrian space
- Install drainage system
- Goal of larger growing trees
- > City standard tree grates
- Tree guards on new plantings to protect





Additional Tree Planting Info

> Include plantings with project

- Trees typically planted by City Forestry following construction
- Delay plantings until Fall if weather uncooperative or if project extends to far into summer
- Diversify with minimum of 2 species per block
 - Try to match leaf types for more consistent aesthetic
 - Final species selection by City Forestry



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Other Improvements

- Lighting of Martin Luther King Jr. Monument at MMB
- New bike racks at CCB
 - Keep at least the same number
 - Look for opportunities to add more
- > Replace other amenities
 - Bollards, benches, trash receptacles
- Possible art in center of MLK







Design Options

- > Option 1: single row of trees on building side of sidewalk
 - >Approximately 40 trees at 20 ft. spacing
 - >Allows for easier maintenance, use for events, and space for bike racks
- > Option 2: two rows of trees, in line
 - > Approximately 48 trees at 40 ft. spacing and 16 ft. between rows
- Maintains similar layout as today, but with more space between trees
 Option 3: two rows of trees, staggered
 - >Approximately 42 trees at 40 ft. spacing
 - Allows for a little more space for tree canopy growth where not intertwining with adjacent trees



Existing Overview – 100 Block





Existing Overview – 200 Block





Option 1 Overview – 100 Block







Option 1 Overview – 200 Block





Option 2 Overview – 100 Block







Option 2 Overview – 200 Block





Option 3 Overview – 100 Block







Option 3 Overview – 200 Block





Existing

















Existing





















Solar Electric Vehicle Charging Station

- Pilot project of solar vehicle charging station
- Prominent location
 - Possibly MLK or Wilson
 - Parking Utility Manager recommended installation in Brayton Lot, off E. Washington





Construction & Access

Construction expected to begin in April

> 1 side of MLK under construction at a time, on both blocks

>Approximately 6-7 weeks to work on each side

Start work on CCB side

>Parking removed on the side under construction

- Maintain sidewalk access
 - > Narrowed or temporary sidewalk around construction area
 - Coordinate with Metro on temporary bus stop location
- > Coordinate with events/uses
 - Farmer's Market

Temporary locations for food carts



Assessment Policy & Costs

- Costs to replace mainline sidewalk (center portion, between trees) shared 50/50 between City and adjacent property owner
- Costs of colored concrete, tree grates, tree plantings, replacement of amenities, etc. paid by the City
- Total project costs approximately \$1,300,000
 Option 1 is least expensive
 Option 2 is most expensive



Project Schedule

- > 12/27/19: Mail Estimated Assessments, Public Hearing Notice
- > 1/8/20: BPW Public Hearing
- > 1/21/20: Common Council Hearing
- > 4/13/20: Begin Construction (try for earlier if weather permits)
- > 7/9/20: End Construction
 - > Goal is to complete construction prior to Art Fair



Contact Information & Resources

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- > Website: cityofmadison.com/engineering/projects/martin-luther-king-jr-blvd
 - Sign-up for project email updates on the website
 - Updates on closures & work progress will be posted to the project website
- Facebook City of Madison Engineering



Discussion/Input

- > Preferred option for tree layout
 - ➢ Option 1 − single row
 - > Option 2 2 rows, in-line
 - > Option 3 2 rows, staggered
- Colored concrete (natural bark)
- Possible art in center of 200 block
- Replacement of pedestrian lighting
- Solar electric vehicle charging station
- > Other schedule/construction considerations

