



MacArthur Road, MacArthur Court, Larson Court, Sycamore Avenue Reconstruction

Public Information Meeting
City of Madison Engineering Division
August 27, 2025

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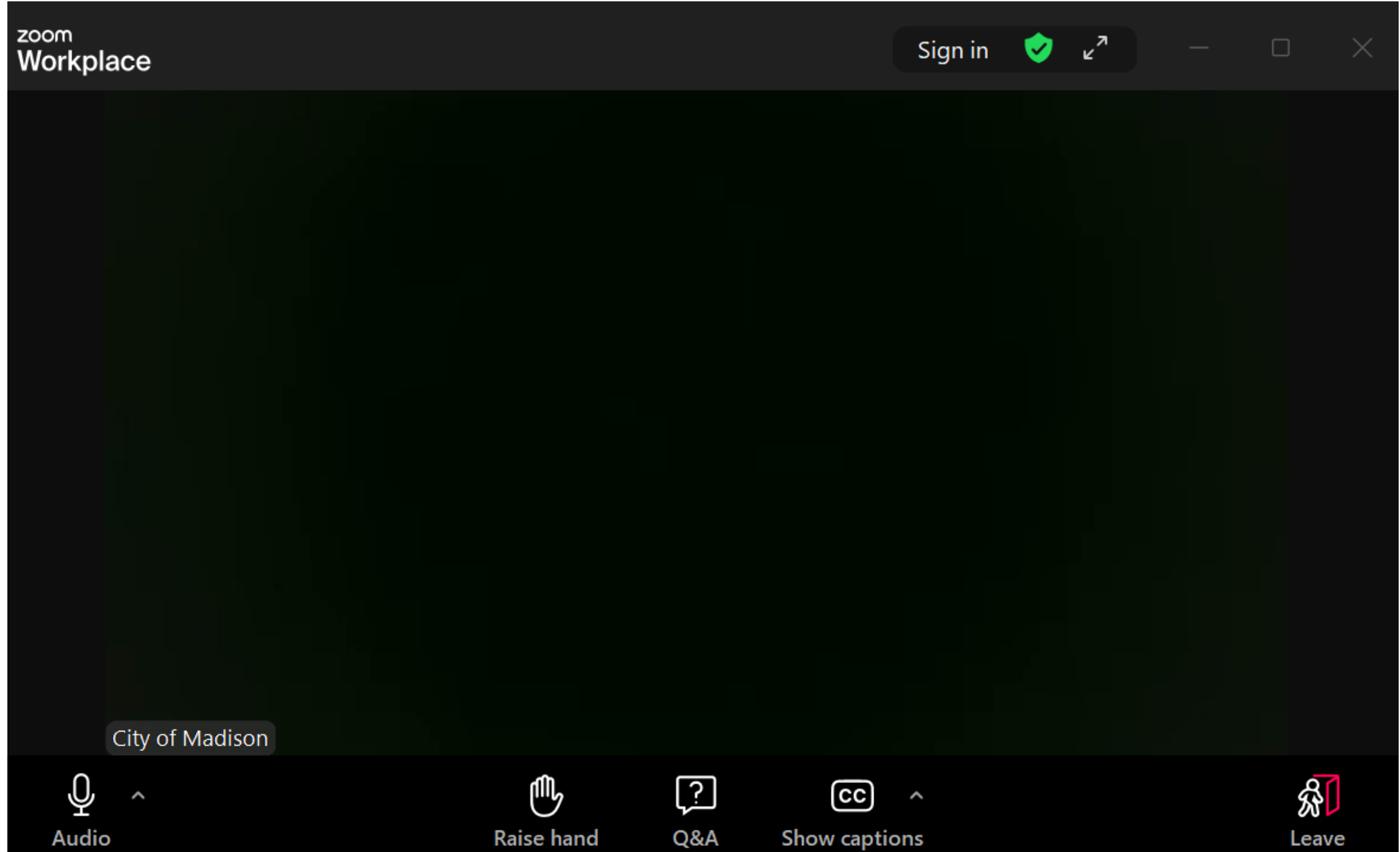
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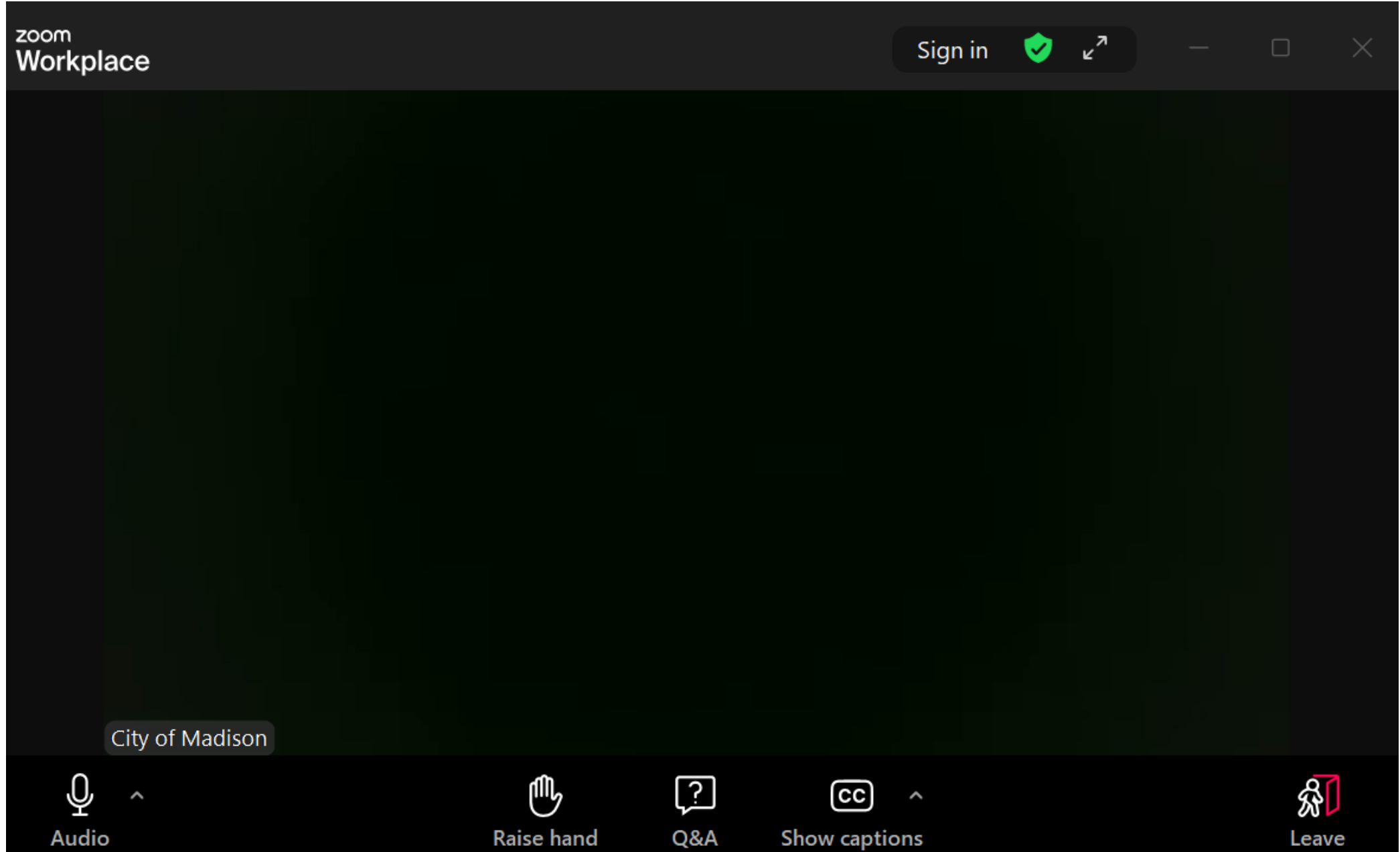
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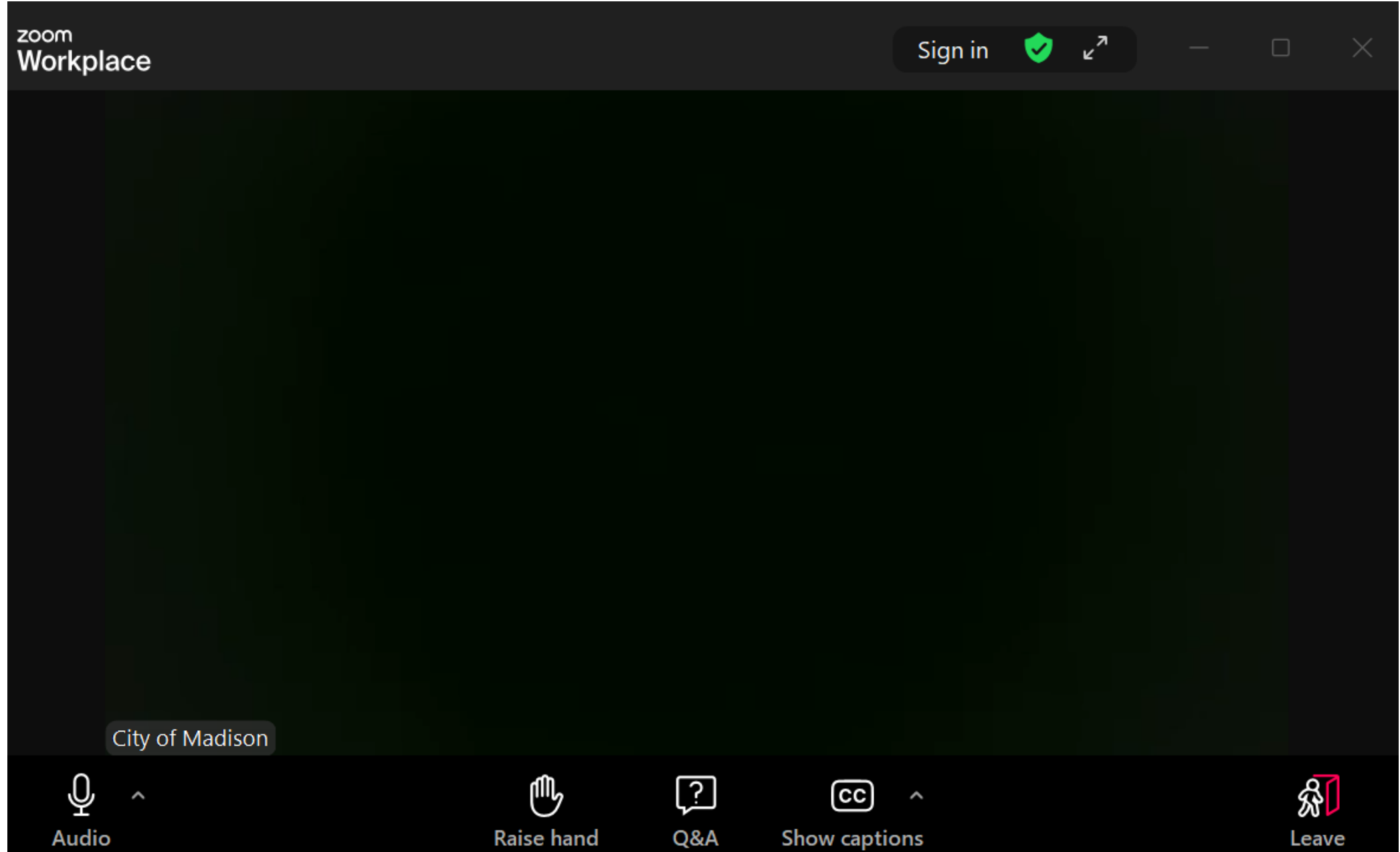
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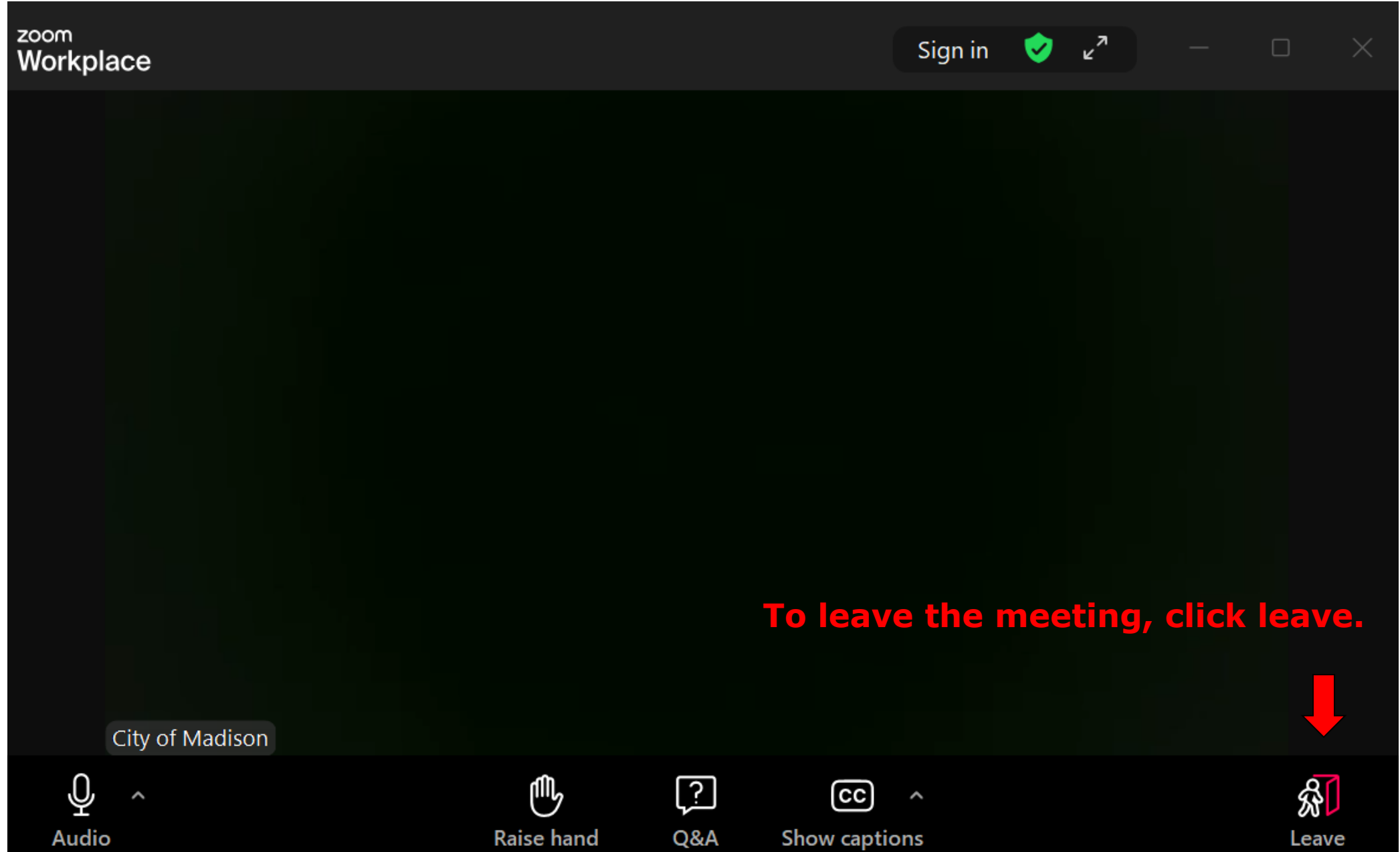
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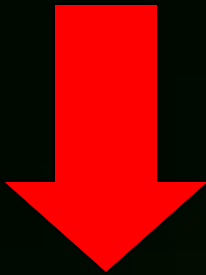
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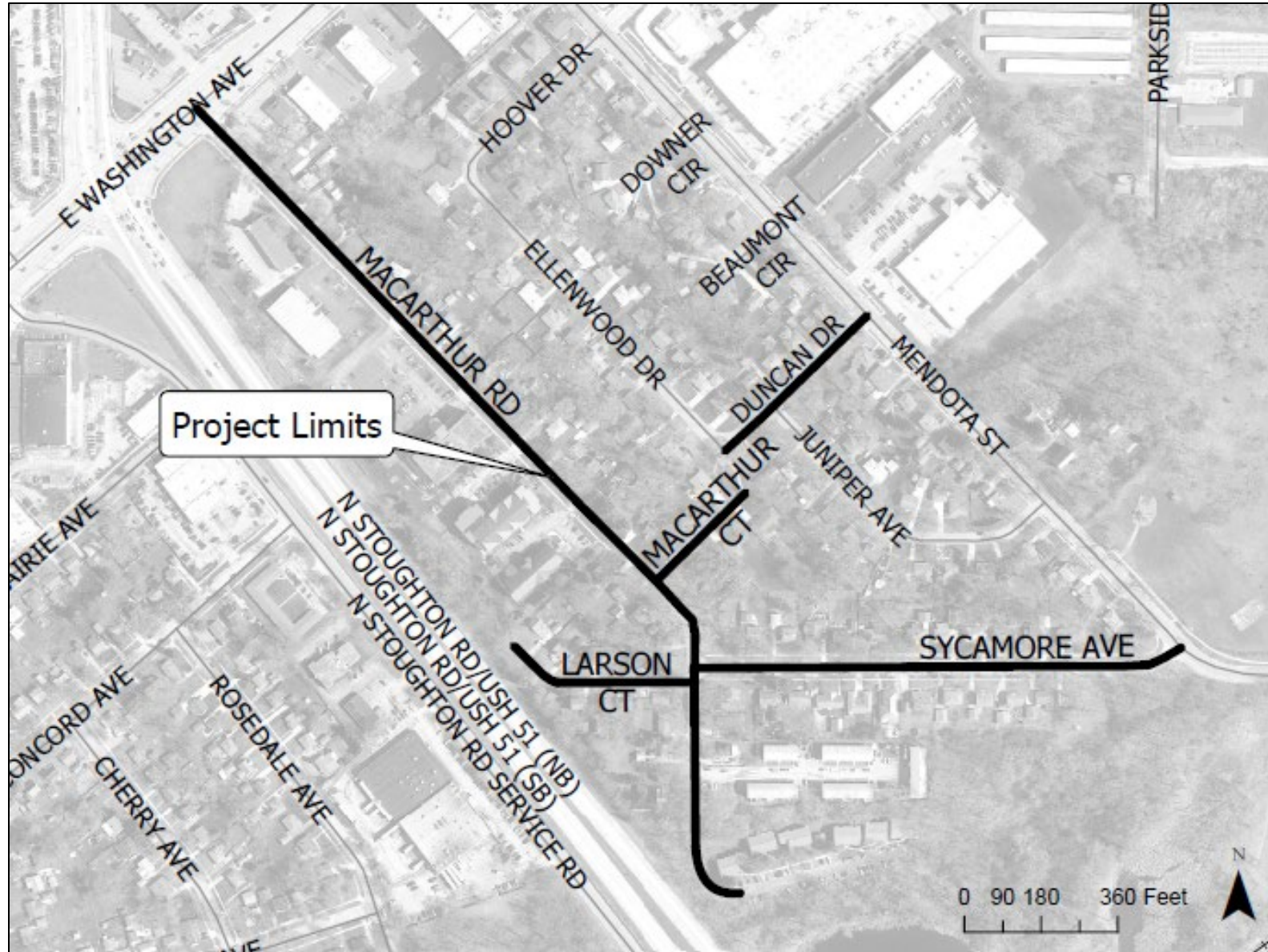
Thank You for participating!

- Welcome (Hannah Mohelnitzky, Public Information Officer, City of Madison)
- Introduction (Alder Derek Field, District 3)
- Presentation (Nashaly Gutierrez Vazquez – City of Madison)
- Q&A (facilitated by Hannah Mohelnitzky)
 - Assisted by:
 - Chris Petykowski P.E., Assistant City Engineer, City of Madison
 - Jose Navarro, Traffic Engineer, City of Madison
 - Daniel Olivares, Sewer Engineer, City of Madison
 - Timothy Pearson, Water Utility, City of Madison
- Presentation available on the website
 - <https://www.cityofmadison.com/engineering/projects/macarthur-road-larson-court-sycamore-avenue-reconstruction>

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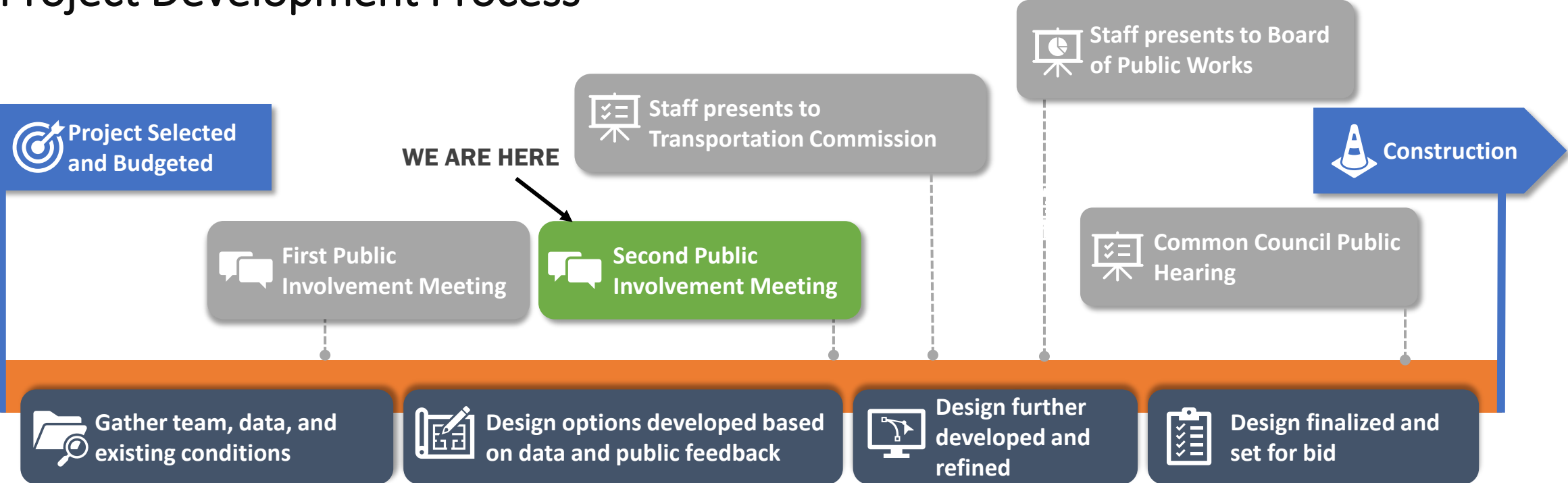


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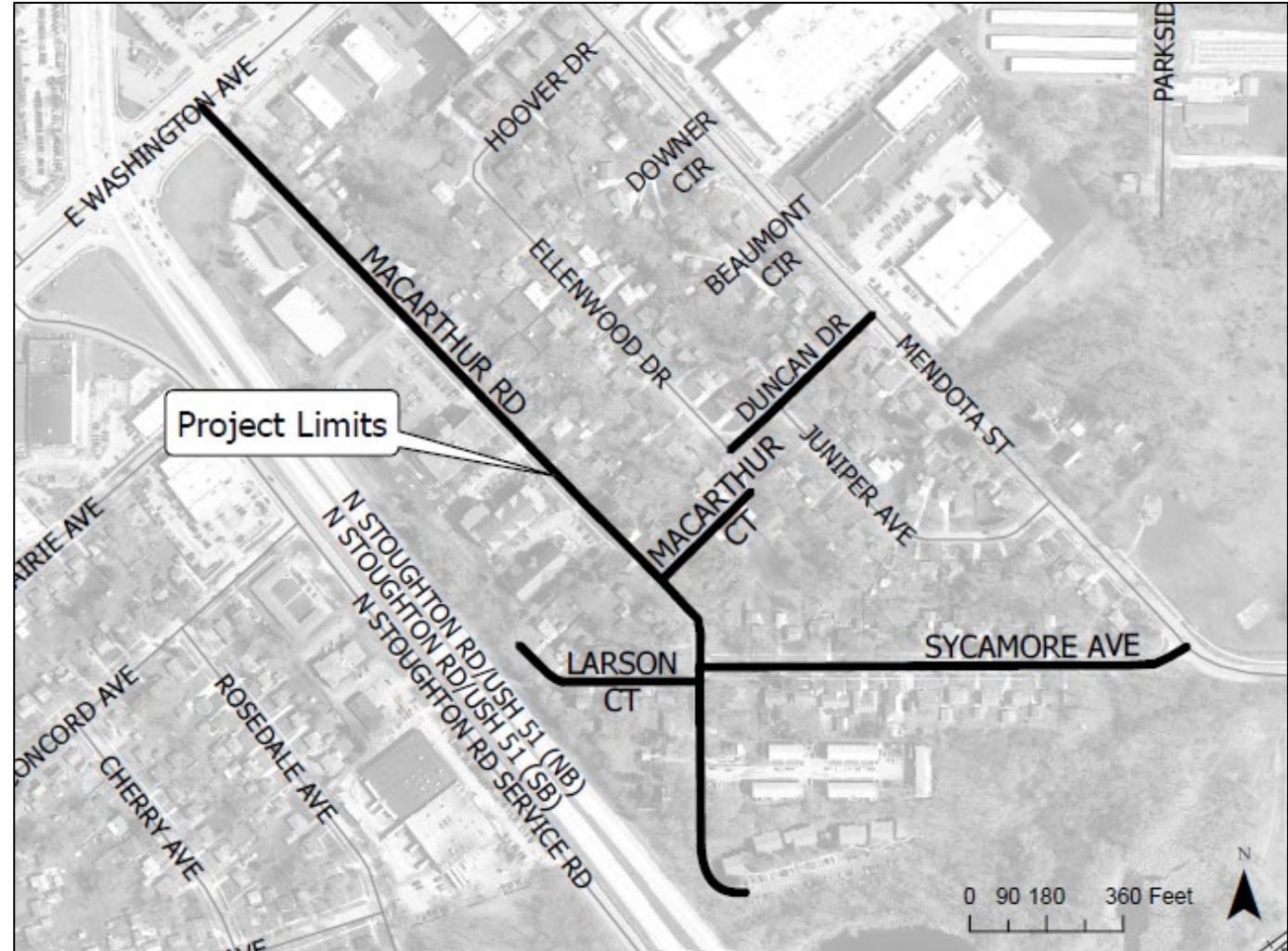
Meeting Purpose (Big Picture)

Project Development Process



Meeting Purpose

- To gain public feedback for the street layout options for the reconstruction project and inform residents about how and where they share their input
- Communicate residents on the assessments policies
- To inform the public on the approval schedule and construction access
- Remind the public to fill-out the online questionnaire



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Proposed Street Design – Possible Street Widths

- Complete Green Streets Tables: Neighborhood Street
- Minimum Width: 24' (City has gone as low as 22' in constrained cases IE MacArthur Road)
 - Parking on 1 side
 - We would stick to a narrow width if there is no street parking
- Typical Width: 26'
 - Parking on 1 side
 - Parking on side allows traffic to pass freely in both directions
- Maximum Width: 30'
 - Parking on both sides typically allows traffic to pass slowly in both directions (unless both vehicles are very wide)

Proposed Street Design

- MacArthur Road

- Street width of 22-ft from face of curb to face of curb up to Sycamore Avenue/Larson Court intersection.
- Street width of 24-ft face of curb to face of curb to the south end
- Replacement of asphalt pavement, gravel base, and driveway aprons
- Street design & construction will include new: curb & gutter and sidewalk
- Installing a cul-de-sac bulb at the south end with a 30-ft radius

- MacArthur Court

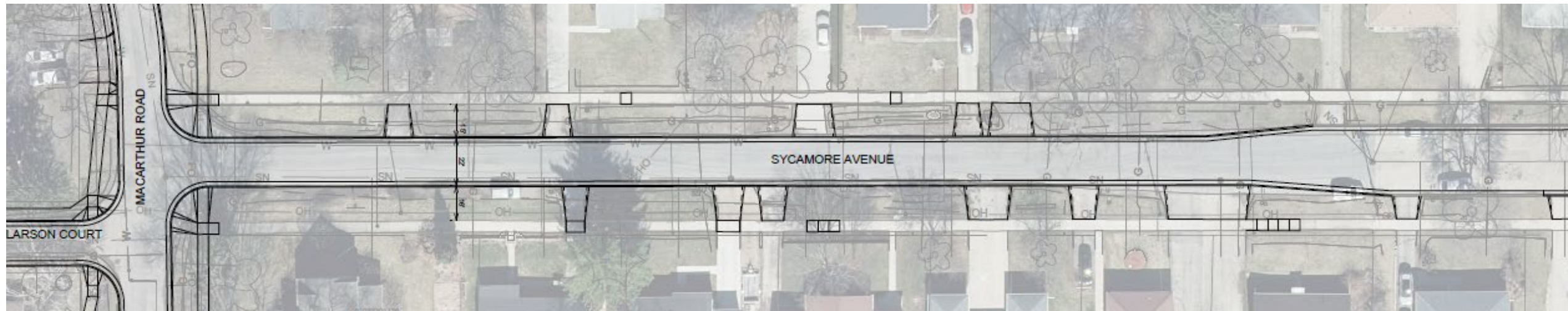
- Street width of 20-ft from face of curb to face of curb
- Replacement of asphalt pavement, gravel base, and driveway aprons
- Street design & construction will include new: curb & gutter and sidewalk
- Replacement of sidewalk connection to Duncan Drive
- Installing a cul-de-sac bulb at the east end with a 10-ft radius

Proposed Street Design

- Larson Court
 - Street width of 20-ft from face of curb to face of curb
 - Replacement of asphalt pavement, gravel base, and driveway aprons
 - Street design & construction will include new: curb & gutter and sidewalk on one side
 - Installing a cul-de-sac bulb at the west end with a 10-ft radius
- Sycamore Avenue
 - Segment without curb & gutter
 - Replacement of asphalt pavement, gravel base, and driveway aprons
 - Street design & construction will include new: curb & gutter and spot replacement for sidewalk
 - Segment with curb & gutter
 - Replacement of asphalt pavement, gravel base
 - Spot replacements for sidewalk and driveway aprons as necessary

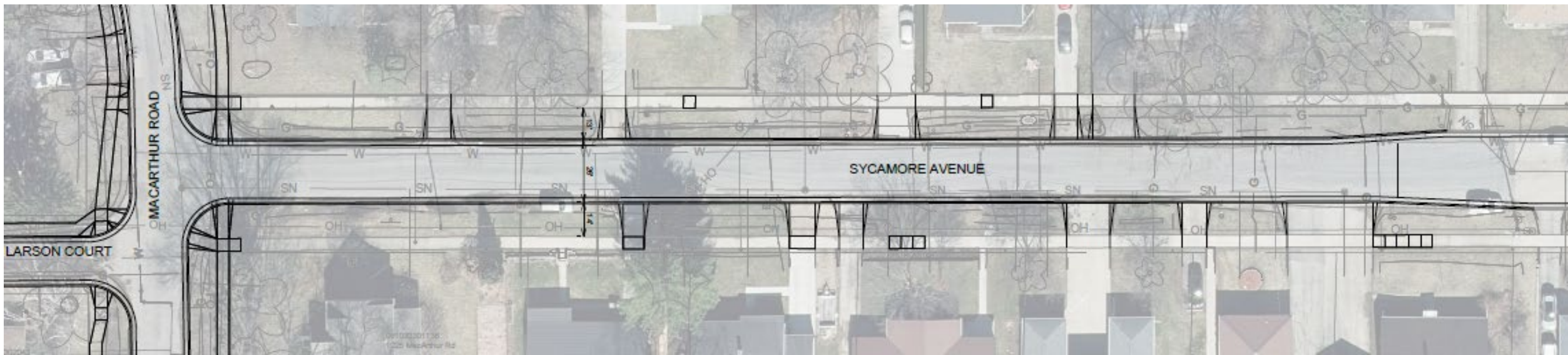
Proposed Street Design Options

- Option A – Sycamore Avenue
 - Street width of 22-ft from face of curb to face of curb
 - Taper to existing curb & gutter
 - Replace driveway aprons
 - Spot replacement for sidewalk
 - Maintain trees in the right of way
 - Narrow street for lowering vehicle speeds
- Provides an additional 15'-16' space for terraces on each side
- Existing restricted parking would be removed



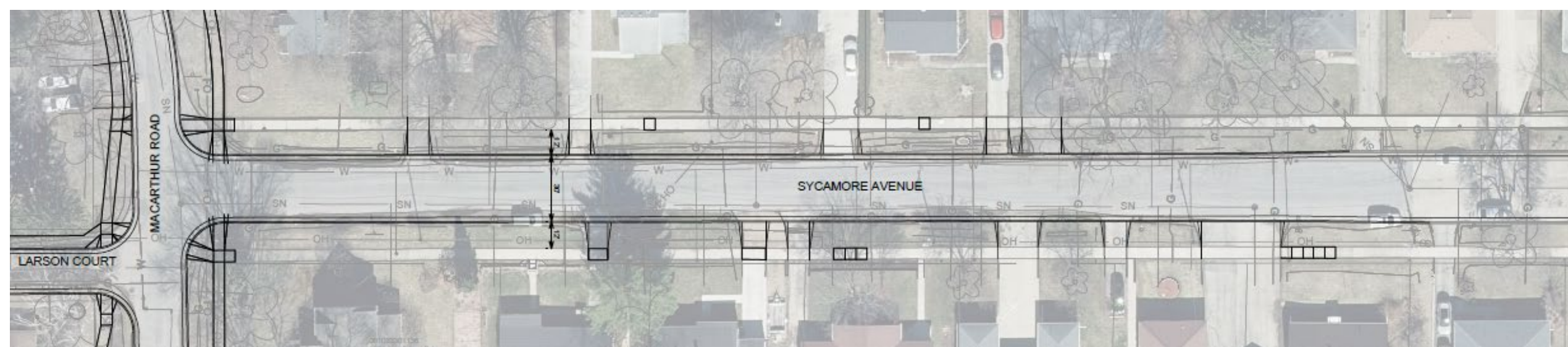
Proposed Street Design Options

- Option B – Sycamore Avenue
 - Street width of 26-ft from face of curb to face of curb
 - Taper to existing curb & gutter
 - Replace driveway aprons
 - Spot replacement for sidewalk
 - Maintain trees in the right of way
 - Narrow street for lowering vehicles speeds
- Provides an addition 14'-15' space for terraces on each side
- Existing restricted parking would be modified to on-street parking allowed on one side of the street only



Proposed Street Design Options

- Option C – Sycamore Avenue
 - Street width of 30-ft from face of curb to face of curb
 - Replace driveway aprons
 - Spot replacement for sidewalk
 - Maintain trees in the right of way
 - Existing restricted parking would be modified to on-street parking allowed on both sides of the street
 - Traffic calming

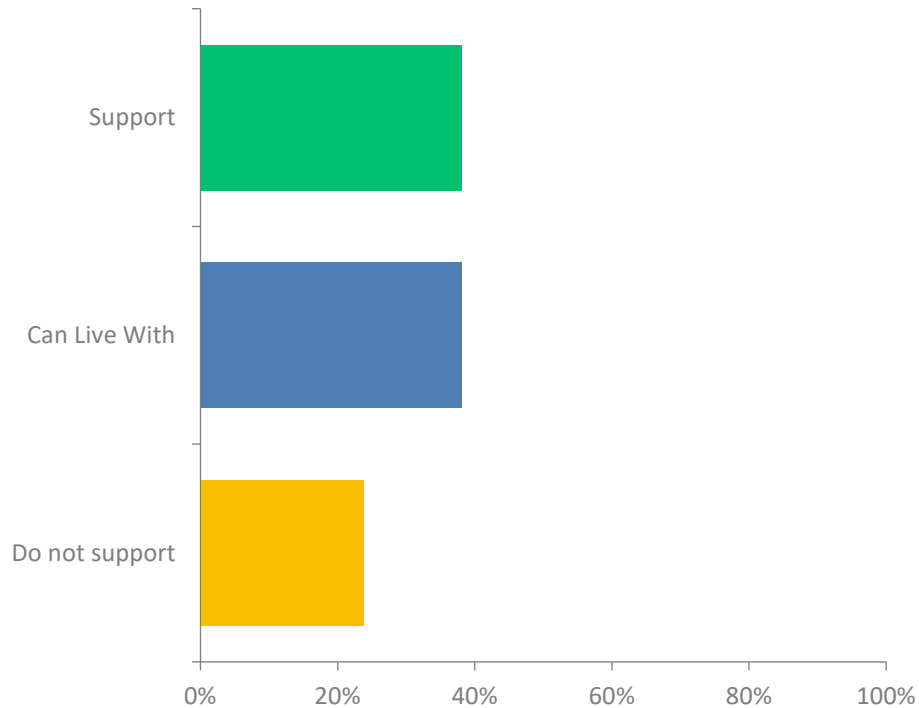


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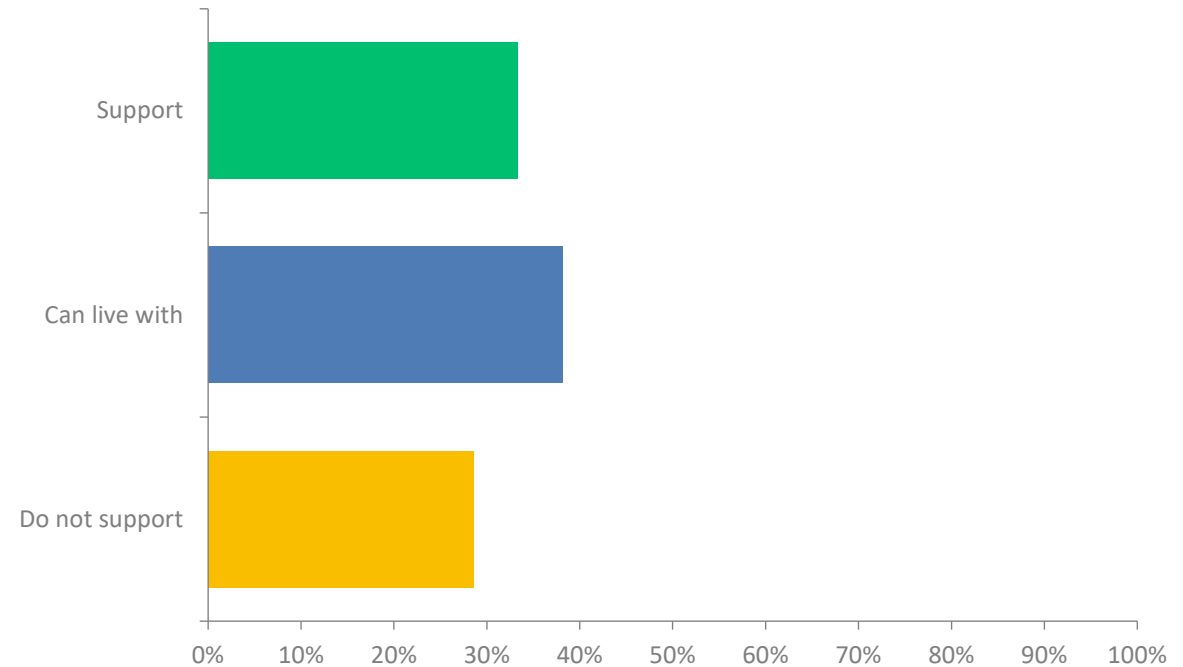
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Questionnaire Results

- Design options preliminary results
- 23 online answers and 1 mail



Option A
Sycamore Ave (22-ft)

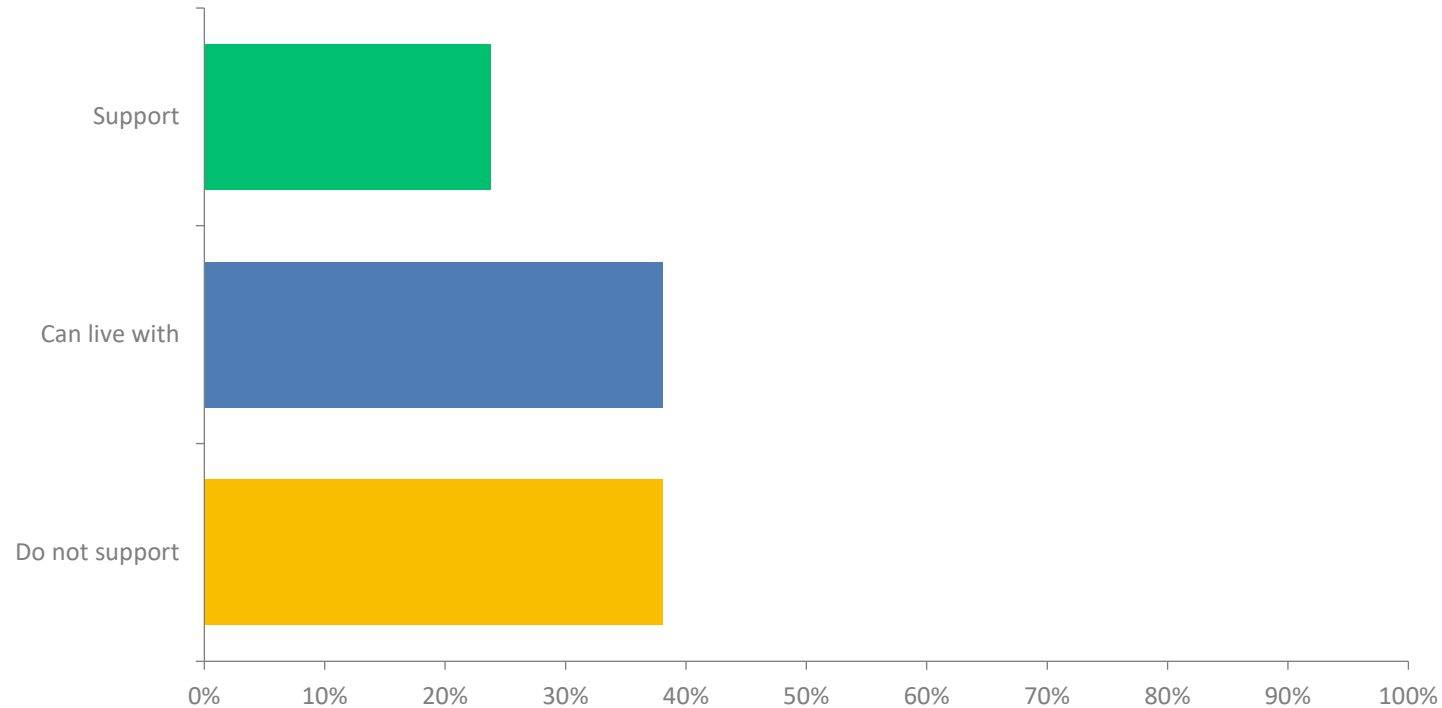


Option B
Sycamore Ave (26-ft)
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Questionnaire Results

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Option C
Sycamore Ave (30-ft)

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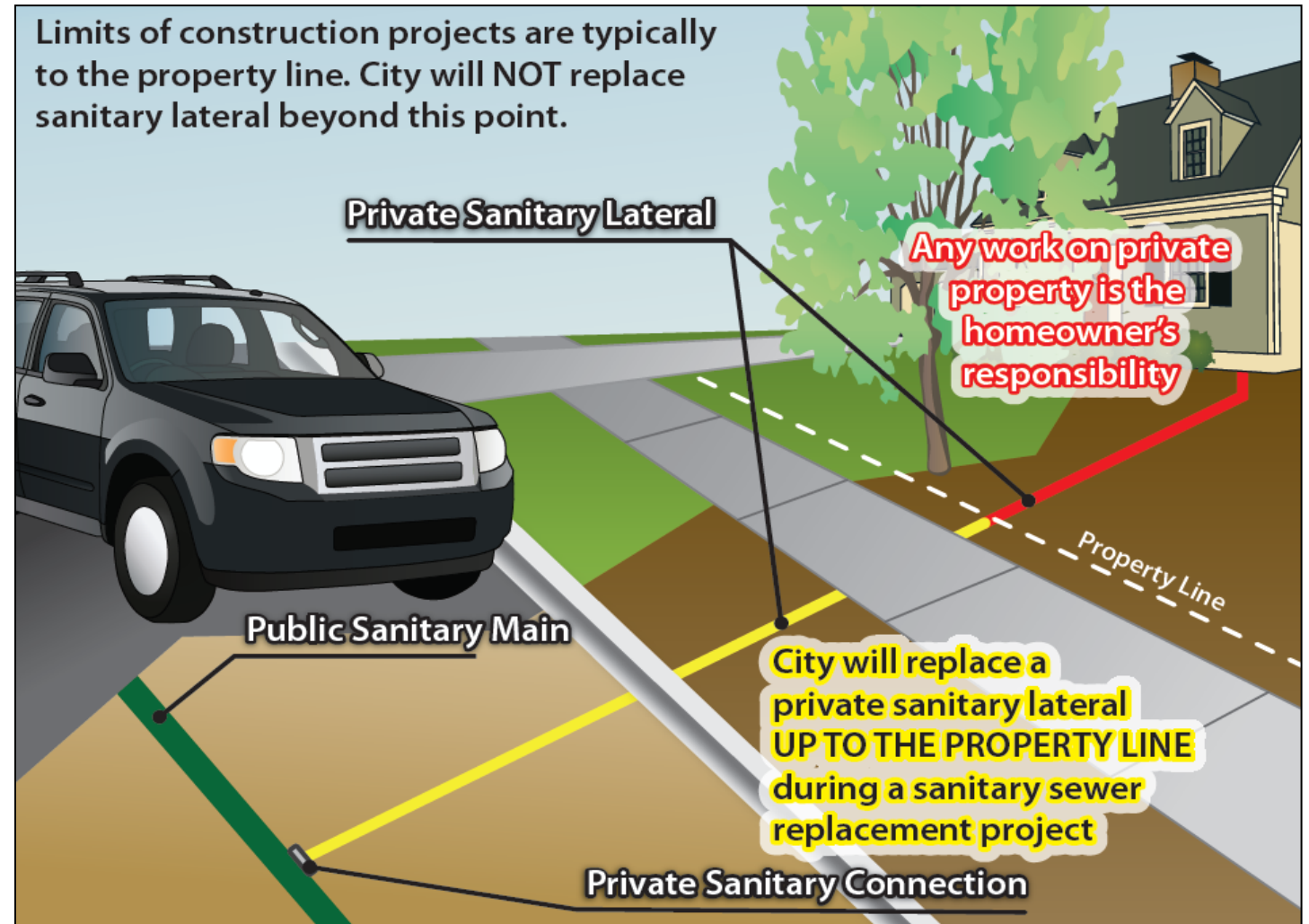
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Proposed Utility Design

- Existing Sanitary Main to be replaced
 - Laterals to be replaced up to property line
- Existing Water main to be replaced an upsize
 - From 6" to 8" along MacArthur Rd, Larson Ct, and Sycamore Ave
 - From 1" to 8" along MacArthur Ct
 - New connection between MacArthur Ct and Duncan Dr
 - Increasing fire flow
 - Relocate hydrants as needed
- Installation of storm sewer main and stormwater features
- Rain gardens – at resident request where possible
- Existing street lighting to remain
- Potential MG&E gas main replacement and pole relocation prior to start of construction

Proposed Utility Design – Sewer Lateral

- Sanitary Sewer Lateral Installation
 - Replace to property line
 - Laterals will be reconnected
 - Work beyond the property line is the homeowner's responsibility



Proposed Utility Design

○ Proposed Storm Sewer

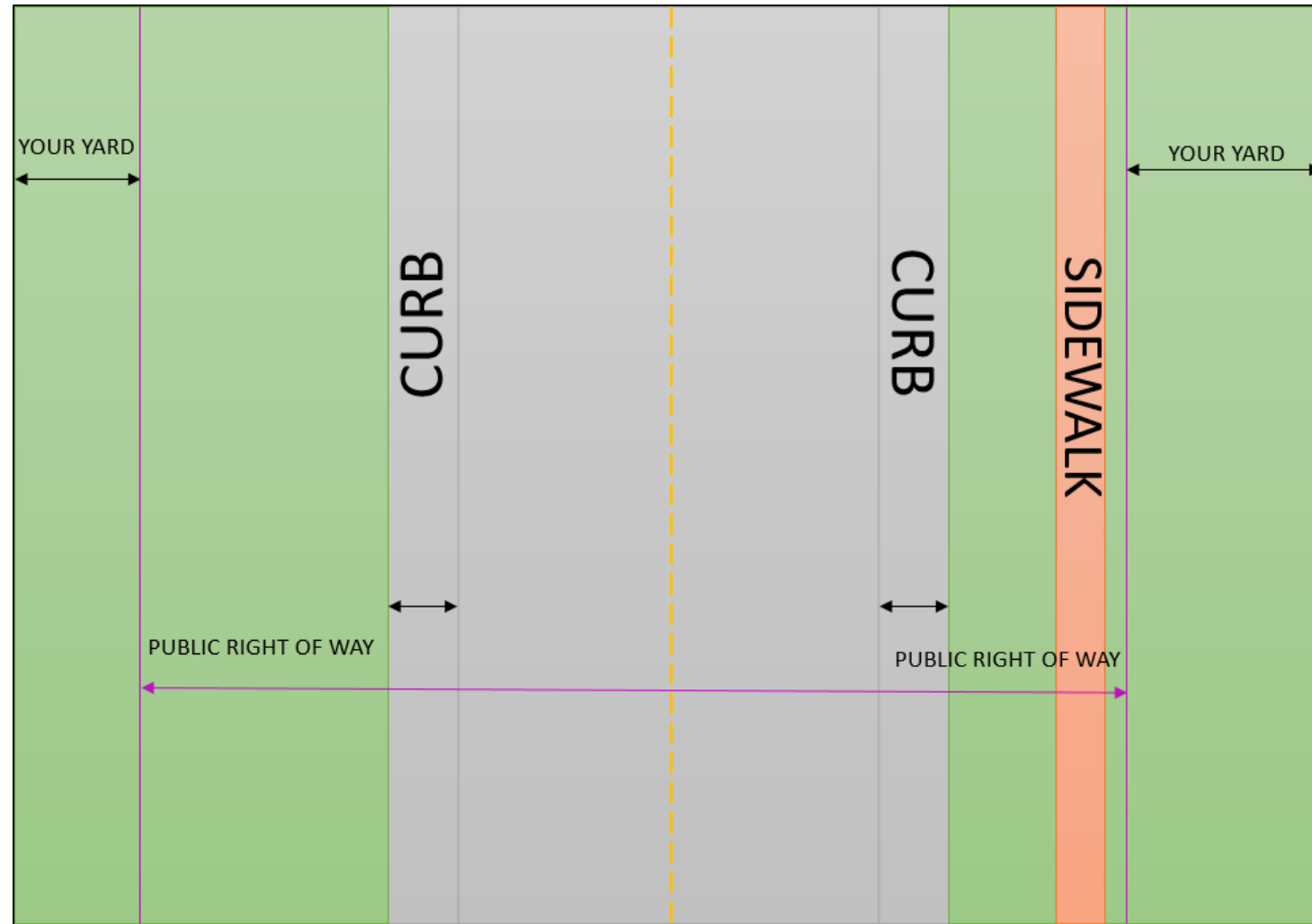
- Collect & convey stormwater along MacArthur Rd to new outlet at WisDOT pond located at south end of MacArthur Rd and private driveway.
 - Requires coordination and easements with private property and WisDOT
- Install new storm sewer along MacArthur Ct.
 - Extend storm sewer from Mendota St through Duncan Dr to pick up stormwater from MacArthur Ct.
- Install new storm sewer on Sycamore Ave.
 - Extend storm sewer from Mendota St and Sycamore Ave intersection.

○ Proposed Sanitary Sewer

- Replace sanitary main on MacArthur Rd, MacArthur Ct, Larson Ct, and Sycamore Ave.
 - Proposed design includes abandonment of public sanitary sewer installed in easement behind 1211-1217 Juniper Ave and 3902 Sycamore Ave.

Public Right-Of-Way

- Space of property that extends typically from the curb into the homeowner's yard.
- Homeowners are responsible for maintaining the public right-of-way.
- The City uses this portion of the yard to improve utilities or other infrastructure the public uses.
- Right-of-way & temporary limited easements are potential going to be purchased.



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Terrace Rain Gardens



terrace rain garden



- Collect the stormwater runoff from the road
- 1 foot deep (from top of the curb)
- Constructed and planted by the city
 - Use native vegetation
- Maintenance is done by the residents
 - Guides are available
- \$100 cost to residents
 - City pays \$3,000 for construction and planting
- Residents receive \$5 off Municipal services bill each month.

Terrace Rain Garden

- Interested?
- City will determine whether or not your terrace is suitable
- Contact Phil Gaebler directly
 - Email: PGaebler@cityofmadison.com
 - Phone: 608-266-4059



terrace rain garden

- You can learn more at: www.cityofmadison.com/TerraceRainGardens

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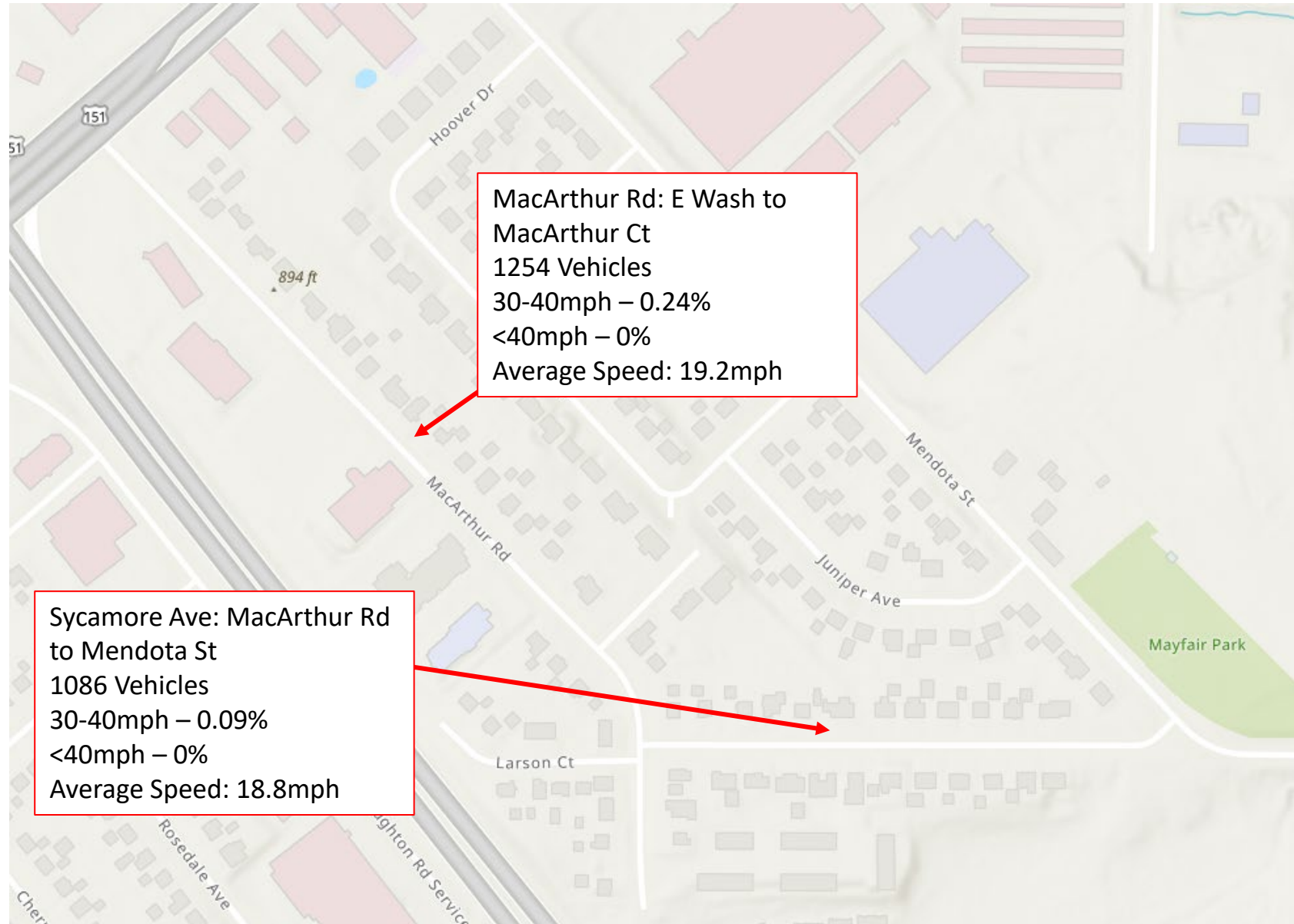
- City Engineering has reviewed the project with City Forestry & a Forestry representative will work with the City design team, City Construction Inspector, and Contractor during construction
- Maintaining tree canopy is in high priority
- Trees will be pruned prior to construction to provide required clearance above street
- Location of known tree removals
 - 1202 MacArthur Rd (due to sidewalk)
 - Revision is still ongoing with the preliminary design
- Methods of tree protection
 - Adjusting curb construction methods and vertical elevation of the street
 - Bends & limits of work for sewer laterals
- After completion, Forestry will evaluate terrace for potential tree planting locations

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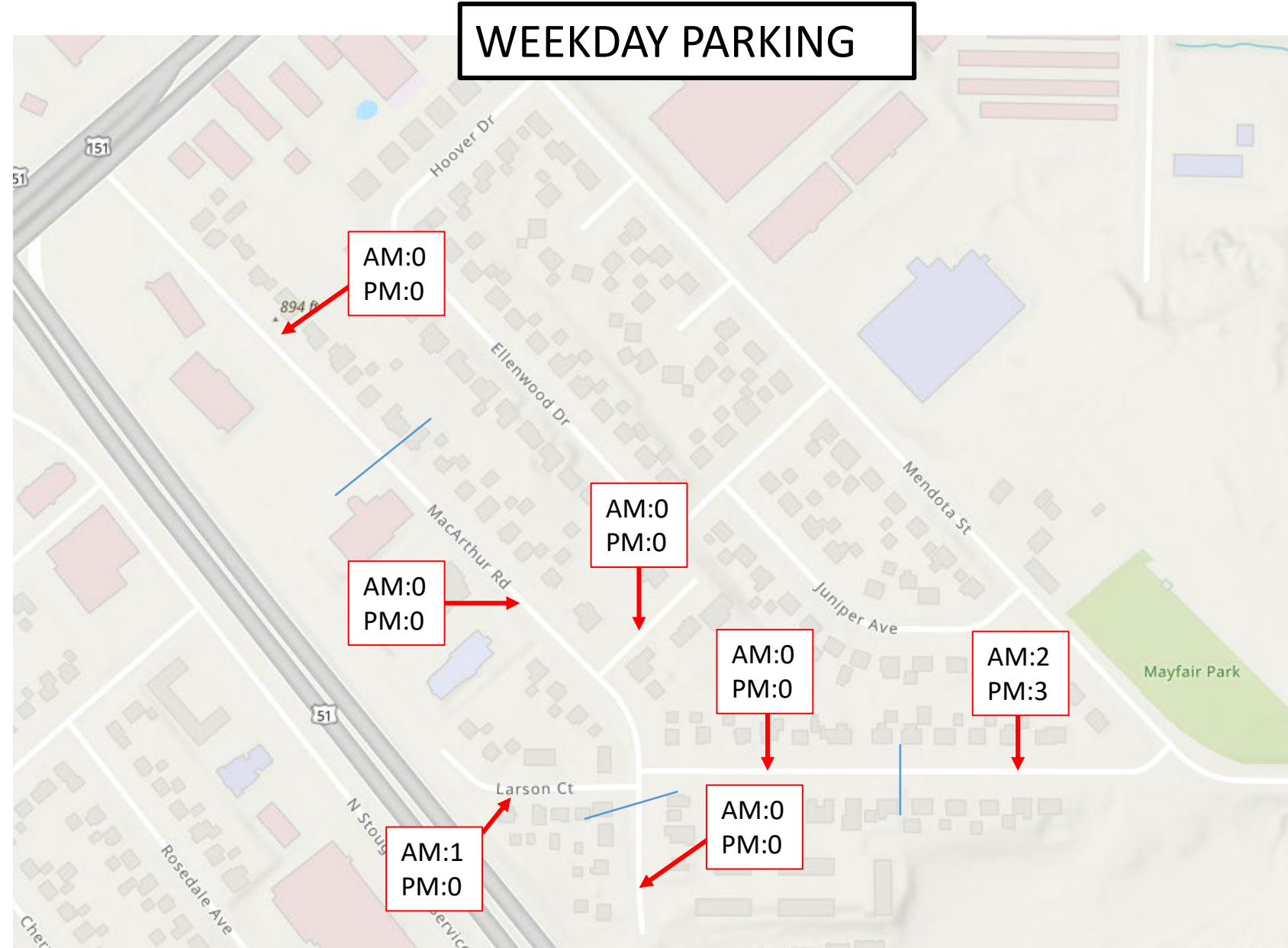
- ▶ No Major speeding issues on MacArthur Rd or Sycamore Ave



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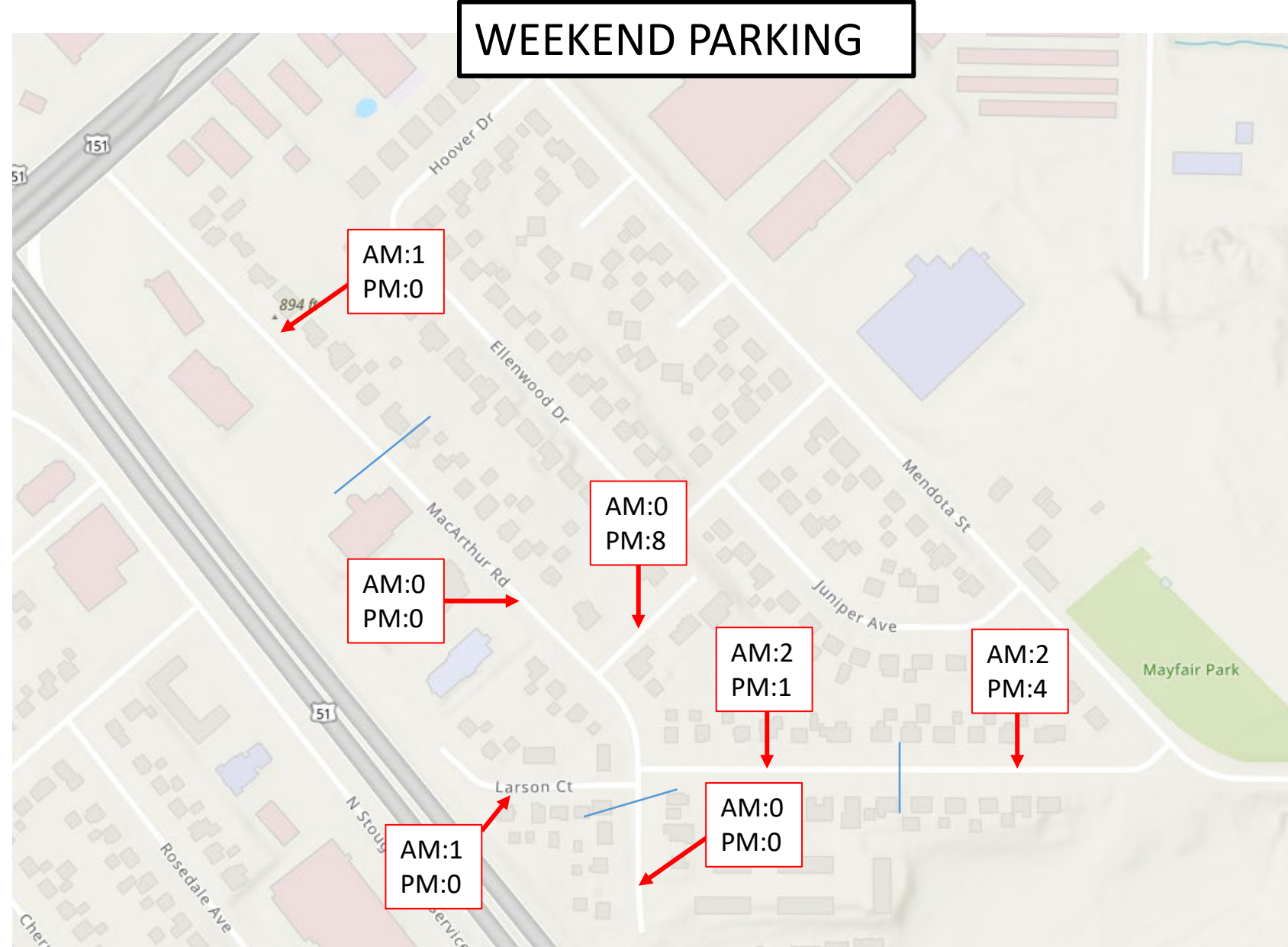
- Between 0 and 3 vehicles parked per block
- Counts taken during mid morning & mid evening



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- Between 0 and 4 vehicles parked per block
- Counts taken during mid morning & mid evening



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Assessment Policy & Costs

- Special charge for work being done that has a direct benefit to the property
- Preliminary assessments mailed during design phase
 - Based on estimated quantities
 - Unit prices for driveways, pavement reconstruction, pavement resurfacing, and terrace walks items based on 2025 street improvements rates
 - Rates are an average of last 3 years of construction costs
 - Unit prices for sanitary laterals and private storm sewer connections based on estimated prices
- Assessments can be paid in lump sum or typical over 8 years with a 4% interest
 - More info on assessments can be found here:
<https://www.cityofmadison.com/engineering/streets-paths/repairs-and-reconstruction/assessments-payment-plans>
- Final assessments are billed after project completion
 - Based measured quantities
 - Unit prices for driveways, pavement reconstruction, pavement resurfacing, terrace walks will not change from preliminary
 - Unit prices for sanitary laterals and private sewer connections based on bid prices
 - Mailed in the year after construction

Assessment Policy & Costs

MacArthur Road, MacArthur Court, Larson Court, Sycamore Avenue

Item	Property Owner Share	City Share
10' Pavement Replacement*	100%	0%
10' Pavement Resurfacing*	100%	0%
Driveway Apron	50%	50%
Terrace Walk Replacement (between sidewalk & curb)	50%	50%
Sidewalk New/Replacement	0%	100%
Curb & Gutter New/Replacement	0%	100%
Intersection Curb & Pavement	0%	100%
Water Main & Laterals	0%	100%
Sanitary Sewer Main	0%	100%
Sanitary Sewer Lateral	25%	75%
Private Storm Connections (if any)	100%	0%

*Assessed per linear feet of frontage

Assessment Policy & Costs

- Approximate property owner costs for items
 - Street Reconstruction
 - Approx. driveway apron replacement: \$1,000
 - Approx. 10' pavement replacement: \$46.02 per ft.
 - Approx. Sewer lateral replacement: \$3,000
 - Sidewalk not assessed
 - Curb & gutter not assessed

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Project Approval Schedule

- September 10, 2025: Transportation Commission
 - Engineering staff will present street layout options for approval
- September 26, 2025: Mail Estimated Assessment
- October 8, 2025: Approving Plans, Specifications, and Assessments; Board of Public Works Hearing
 - Engineering staff will recommend a street layout option for approval
- October 28, 2025: Approving Plans, Specification, and Assessments; Common Council Public Hearing

Construction & Access

- Closed to through traffic, local traffic only
- Residential driveways access will be maintained during most of construction but closed up to a cumulative total of 20 days, residents are notified before
 - Not accessible when contractor is working directly in front
 - Closed when curb, sidewalk, and driveway apron installed
- An average of 2 planned water shut-offs are expected for each property
 - Up to 8 hours but usually about 4 hours
 - Residents will be notified 48 hours ahead of time
 - Occasionally emergency shut-offs if old main breaks
- Allowed working hours are 7:00 am to 7:00 pm Monday-Saturday, & 10:00 am to 7:00 pm Sundays
- Approximately 5-6 months to complete all work
- Construction could begin as early as spring 2026, but may start early summer instead.
 - Completion is expected by fall.

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Next Steps

- Up coming opportunities for public involvement
 - Fill out the questionnaire
 - Sign-up for project email updates on the website
- The public is encouraged to attend the following three City committee meetings and provide written or verbal feedback:
 - Transportation Commission Meeting
 - Board of Public Works Meeting
 - Common Council Meeting
- Public notified via website updates and/or mailing
- <https://www.cityofmadison.com/engineering/projects/macarthur-road-larson-court-sycamore-avenue-reconstruction>

Board of Public Works (BPW) Meeting

- Members of the public can watch, register support/opposition, speak (3 minutes), and/or submit written comments.
- Subscribe to the email list on project webpage to get notification when BPW meeting registration opens.
- If you register to speak, make sure the name you display in Zoom matches the name you registered under so staff know who to unmute when it's your turn.
- BPW meetings start at 4:30 PM but the public hearings for public works projects don't start until 5:30 PM (or when the item under discussion at 5:30 PM finishes). You can join at any time.
- If you have any questions about registering for the BPW meeting, email boardofpublicworks@cityofmadison.com.

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 - Timothy Pearson, Water Engineer, TPearson@madisonwater.org
 - Phil Gaebler, Rain Garden Contact, 266-4059, PGaebler@cityofmadison.com
 - Hannah Mohelnitzky, Public Information Officer, 669-3560, hmohelnitzky@cityofmadison.com
- Traffic Engineering
 - Kevin Luecke, Pedestrian Bicycle Administrator, 266-6225, kluecke@cityofmadison.com
 - Jose Navarro, Traffic Engineer, 267-1148, JNavarro@cityofmadison.com
- Project Website: <https://www.cityofmadison.com/engineering/projects/macarthur-road-larson-court-sycamore-avenue-reconstruction>
 - Questionnaire will remain open until 9/02/2025
 - Sign-up for project email updates on the website
 - Updates on the design process and construction progress will be posted to the project website
 - Recording for this meeting will be posted on project webpage

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