

Monroe Street Reconstruction Planning



July 2014

Monroe Street Reconstruction Project

What to expect this evening



- ❑ Introductions
- ❑ Project to date
 - ❑ Project scope and summary of input from April meeting
 - ❑ Details: <http://www.cityofmadison.com/engineering/monroe/>
- ❑ Table conversations on three key topics
 - ❑ Pedestrian safety
 - ❑ Streetscape amenities (especially lighting)
 - ❑ Crazylegs Triangle
- ❑ Wrap-up, feedback forms and next steps

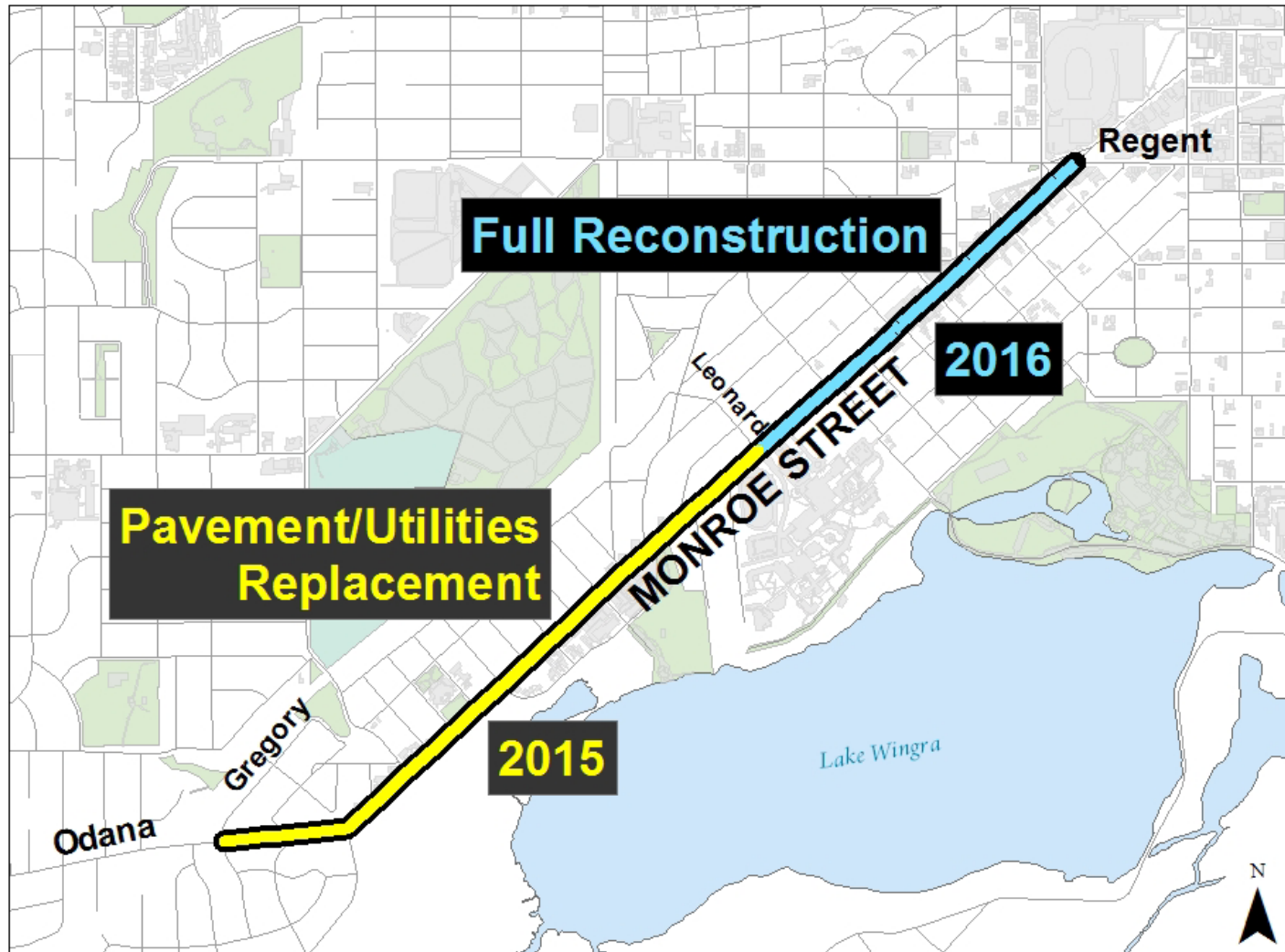
Introductions

City Planning, Engineering and
Economic Development staff

New Alder

Your turn

Project scope



Monroe Street today



Monroe Street today



What we heard

Brief summary of ideas from
table conversations in April

Traffic and parking



- ❑ Improve crosswalks, reduce speed, boost enforcement
- ❑ Configure lanes for multi-modal friendly street
- ❑ Maintain parking, especially near businesses
- ❑ Make better use of library parking
- ❑ Address parking/traffic near Glenway
- ❑ Consider traffic calming and modified parking on neighborhood streets

Pedestrians, bikes and transit



- ❑ Address pedestrian safety/crosswalks
- ❑ Reduce speed and increase enforcement
- ❑ Provide more space/options for bike use and additional bike parking
- ❑ Offer more frequent buses, dedicated bus
- ❑ Put bus stops at far side of intersections
- ❑ Maintain parking for businesses, but discourage commuter parking

Stormwater and utilities



- ❑ Minimize run-off
- ❑ Increase infiltration with permeable pavement, rain gardens, etc.
- ❑ Strictly enforce erosion control measures during construction
- ❑ Install treatment devices to collect sediment
- ❑ Consider watershed-wide stormwater management
- ❑ Underground to improve diverse tree canopy

Business and merchants



- ❑ During construction, provide adequate access, parking, signage, detours
- ❑ Communicate with city, contractors, customers
- ❑ Optimize timing/duration of construction
- ❑ Ensure pedestrian safety
- ❑ Maintain/improve parking
- ❑ Add street amenities (lights, bike racks, signage, banners, benches, etc.)

Placemaking

A thick horizontal bar with a color gradient from dark red on the left to bright orange on the right.

- ❑ Identify points of interest on kiosk/map
- ❑ Preserve existing amenities and character
- ❑ Support neighborhood placemaking initiatives
- ❑ Improve/maintain green space; add art and storytelling opportunities
- ❑ Consider unintended parking/traffic problems
- ❑ Include potential traffic calming and modified parking on neighborhood streets
- ❑ Improve Crazylegs Triangle

Tonight's table conversations

Three rounds, one topic per round

Table maps and placemats to take notes

Sharing of “best of” between rounds (if time)

Conversations that matter



What matters most to us as we head into the Monroe Street resurfacing/reconstruction project?

- One conversation, three topics
 - Pedestrian Safety
 - Streetscape Amenities
 - Crazylegs Triangle

Round One Preview

Pedestrian safety

- A. Which crossings need improvement the most and why? (mark directly on the table map)
- B. Of the options previewed, which do you prefer? (add notes or stickies to let us know)

Pedestrian Safety/Crossings



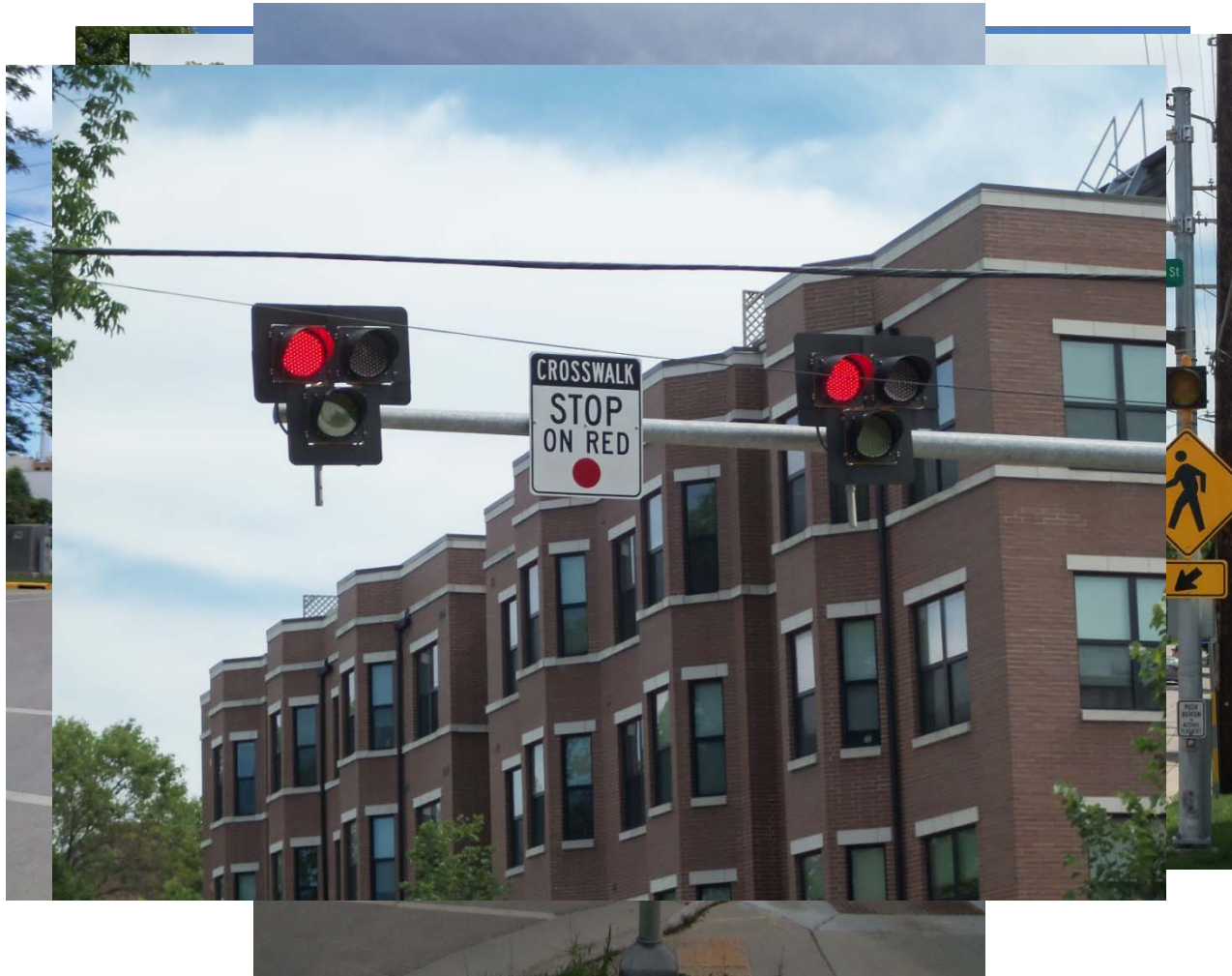
- ❑ Prioritize crossings that need improvement
- ❑ Ideas that have been used on other projects
 - ❑ Countdown timers at signalized intersections
 - ❑ New traffic signal
 - ❑ Pedestrian refuge islands
 - ❑ Colored or Continental crosswalks (more visible)
 - ❑ Overhead “Yield to Pedestrian” sign
 - ❑ Side street bump-outs
 - ❑ Pedestrian activated flasher

Pedestrian Safety/Crossings

- ❑ New signal
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Pedestrian Activated Flashers



Round One Work Time

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Timers at signals ♦ Refuge island ♦ Colored crosswalk

Continental crosswalk ♦ Overhead sign ♦ Side street bump-out

Pedestrian activated beacon ♦ New signals

Round One Wrap-up

Sharing “best of” ideas...

Round Two Preview

Streetscape amenities

- A. Which lighting option is best for which spot?
(mark directly on the table map)
- B. Of the other amenities previewed, which
would you like to see where? (add notes or
stickies to let us know)

Lighting options

- Three lighting options
 - ▣ Tall street lights only
 - ▣ Pedestrian lights in business areas
 - ▣ Tall street lights at intersections; pedestrian lights mid-block
- Costs vary considerably and will be distributed throughout the corridor



Lighting costs



□ Tall street lights

- No existing underground lighting conduit/wire
- 100% assessable to adjacent property owners
- Approx \$1 500 for standard residential lot

□ Pedestrian lights

- Existing pedestrian lights between Stockton & Prospect
- New lights 100% assessable to adjacent owners
- Replacement of existing ped. lights not assessable
- Approx \$5000 for standard lot

Additional amenities

- ❑ Bike racks
- ❑ Benches
- ❑ Posting kiosks



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Round Three Preview

Crazylegs Triangle:

An opportunity to GET CREATIVE!

Crazylegs Triangle

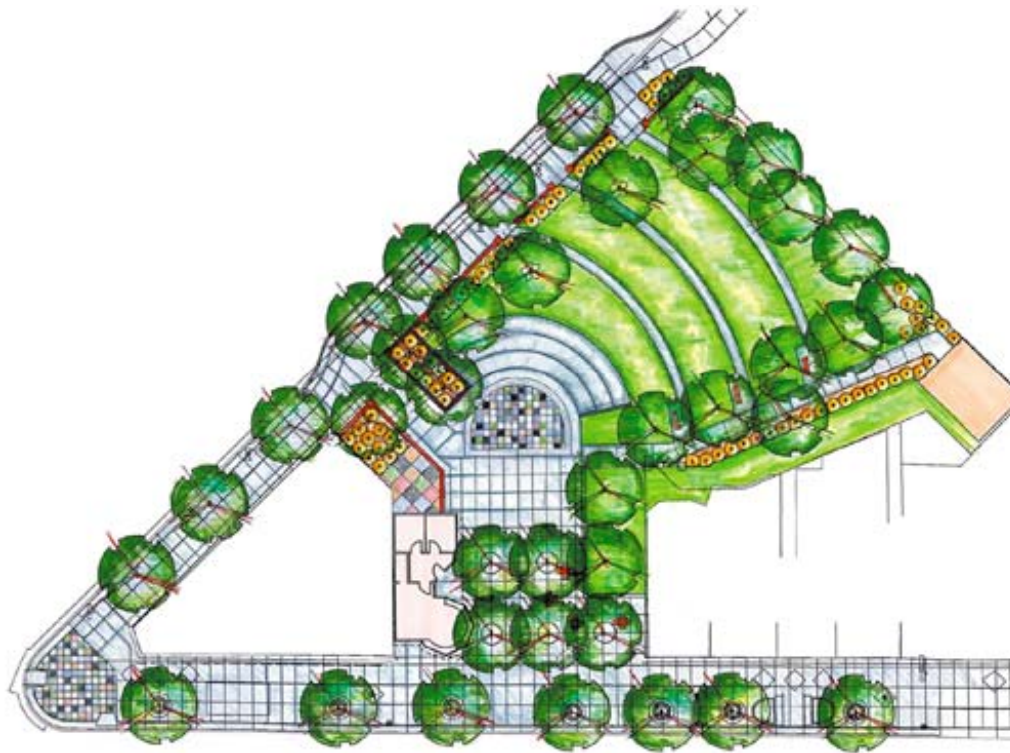


Crazylegs Triangle

Monroe Street Plan ideas:



Peace Park - Madison, WI



Charlotte, NC



Government	Percentage
Current government	85%
Previous government	15%



Pittsburgh 3 PNC Triangle Park



Detroit: Lafayette Greens



Other examples



Response	Percentage
Yes	85%
No	15%



More passive design...



More active design...



Round Three Work Time

Crazylegs Triangle:

- A. Write, draw, doodle on your “placemat”
- B. We’ll share “best of” ideas if we have time

Additional ideas?

Please include them with your feedback form

For more...

Website: <http://www.cityofmadison.com/engineering/monroe/>

Email updates: <https://my.cityofmadison.com/>

Next meeting:

6:30pm ♦ Monday, September 15, 2014

Edgewood College ♦ Anderson Auditorium ♦ Predolin 112

THANK YOU!