

# University Ave. Construction Weekly Update

State Project ID: 5992-11-31  
University Avenue  
(Shorewood Boulevard – University Bay Drive)

May 20, 2024

## GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION

University Avenue is being reconstructed from Shorewood Boulevard/Hill Street to University Bay Drive/Farley Avenue. The project includes reconstruction of pavement, curb and gutter, sidewalk, street lighting, traffic signals, water main, sanitary sewer, and storm sewer. Pedestrian and bicycle connectivity, bus rapid transit initiatives, and stormwater drainage will be improved, and the project will include a new pedestrian/bike overpass of University Bay Drive, a widened sidewalk along the southerly side of University Avenue, and a 96-inch storm sewer pipe to help improve drainage in the area.

### WORK THE WEEK OF MAY 20, 2024

- Please note that the contractor has postponed the nighttime asphalt paving work that was scheduled to occur the week of May 20, 2024, until May 28, 2024 (please see below for additional details of the nighttime work operations).
- Installation of concrete curb and sidewalk on Franklin Ave., Ridge St., and on the south side of University Ave. will be completed during the week. Short-term sidewalk detours will continue to be in place while this work is being completed.
- Curb and sidewalk work along with roadway preparations for the final lift of asphalt pavement will require daily off-peak (9 AM – 3 PM) single-lane closures in both the westbound and eastbound directions on University Ave.

### WORK THE WEEK OF MAY 27, 2024

- The contractor will begin preparing University Ave./Campus Dr. and all adjacent side streets for the final lift of asphalt pavement. Please note that the asphalt paving will be performed as a nighttime work operation (7 PM – 7 AM) May 28, through May 30, 2024. This work will result in construction noise during the overnight hours, and we appreciate the understanding and patience of those that may be affected by the increase in construction noise for these three nights. Traffic will be reduced to a single lane in both directions on University Ave. and Campus Dr. while the final lift of asphalt is being installed. This work will require periodic short-term side street closures during the overnight hours. Traffic flaggers and detour signage will be in place to help direct motorists.
- The contractor does not anticipate performing work on the project on Memorial Day (Monday, May 27, 2024).

## TRAFFIC / PEDESTRIAN / BIKE IMPACTS

Traffic will remain in a configuration that maintains two lanes in both directions during peak travel periods on University Ave. within the project limits (from approximately Shorewood Blvd. to University Bay Dr.). Through traffic is being maintained on side streets; however, alternative routes should be used when possible. Short-term sidewalk detours on the south side of University Ave. between Ridge St. and Farley Ave. will be needed to complete the remaining sidewalk and pedestrian ramps. Please be alert for sidewalk closed and pedestrian detour signage that will be in place while this work is being completed. Also note that the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project has long-term single-lane closures on eastbound Campus Dr. east of the Highland Overpass. additional information on work related to the BRT project can be found here: <https://www.cityofmadison.com/metro/routes-schedules/bus-rapid-transit>

## PROJECT CONTACT INFORMATION

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Asphalt Paving  
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Sidewalk and Pedestrian Ramp Install  
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