

# District 5 Virtual Meeting Community Outreach Ordinance Meeting

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March 19, 2025

Department of Public Works

General Services Department

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# CITY OF DETROIT COO PUBLIC MEETING

THIS MEETING IS HELD IN COMPLIANCE  
WITH THE CITY OF DETROIT COMMUNITY  
OUTREACH ORDINANCE

**E Milwaukee/E Grand bike lanes  
Joe Louis Greenway, Hamtramck Drive/E Grand**

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## ADMINISTRATIVE SUMMARY

The proposed project includes the addition of bike facilities on E. Milwaukee Ave., between Hastings St. and E. Grand Blvd; the removal of bike lanes on E. Grand Blvd. between the intersection of Hastings St. and E. Grand Blvd., and the intersection of Hamtramck Dr. and E. Grand Blvd; and a shared-use path, known as the Joe Louis Greenway, on Hamtramck Dr. and E. Grand Blvd., from the City of Hamtramck border and the Saint Aubin St. Intersection.

The total budgeted amount for the addition of bike facilities on Hastings St. and E. Milwaukee Ave., along with the removal of bike lanes on E Grand Blvd. is \$101,000.

The total budgeted amount for the shared-use path on Hamtramck Dr. and E. Grand Blvd. is \$4,600,000.

Construction is anticipated to begin July 2025 to be completed July 2026.



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# Agenda

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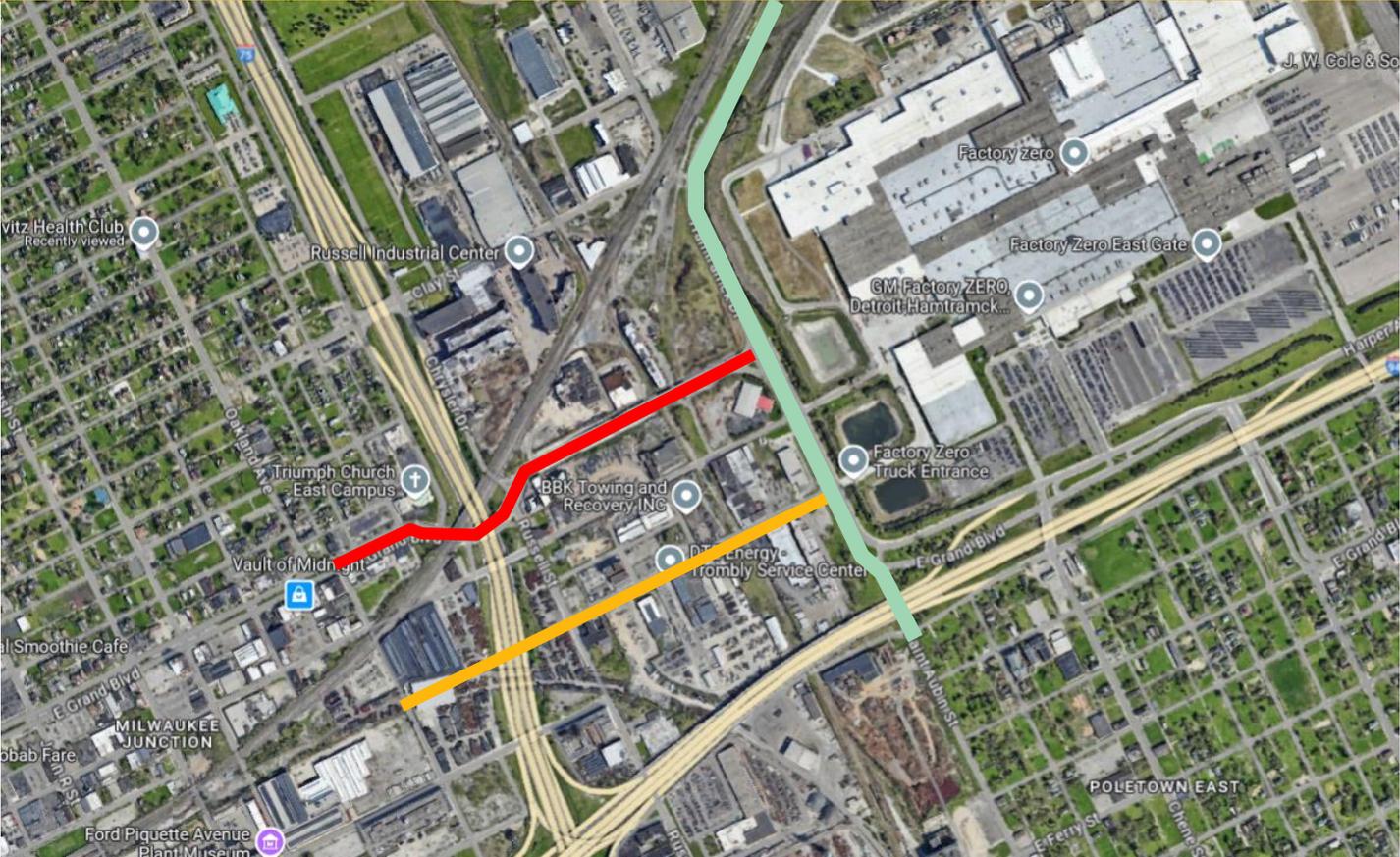
- **Background**
- **East Grand Boulevard/ East Milwaukee Avenue**
- **Joe Louis Greenway**
- **Other Topics**
- **Next Steps**



# Community Outreach Ordinance Map

**LEGEND**

- Joe Louis Greenway
- E Grand Blvd bike lanes
- Proposed E Milwaukee Ave bike lanes



# Past Community Engagement

## Addition of E Milwaukee Avenue bike lanes

## Removal of E Grand Blvd bike lanes

## Joe Louis Greenway

- November 20, 2024
- February 19, 2025
- March 19, 2025

## Joe Louis Greenway Only (2022-2025)

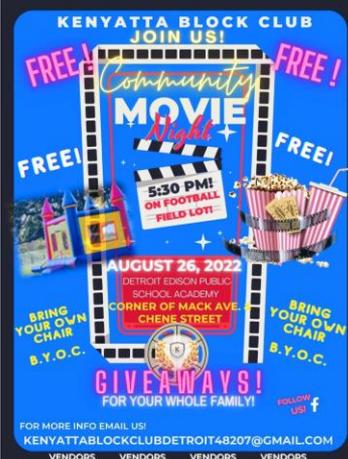
- Kenyatta Block Club
- Grassroots Detroiters
- McDougall-Hunt/Bailey Park NDC
- District 5 DONCast
- District 4 – Iron Belle Only
- Canfield Consortium – Iron Belle Only
- Chandler Park Community Meeting – Iron Belle Only
- Detroit Edison Public School Academy
- City-wide DONCast
- East Ferry Warren Association
- Joe Louis Greenway Neighborhood Planning Meeting

Join Detroit City Councilmember At-Large Mary Waters, 48207-11  
Grassroots Detroiters and Detroit Planning and Development  
Department for

### A Conversation With The Community

Come with solutions for planning and development issues  
affecting your community

**Wednesday, September 14th, 2022**  
**6:00p.m.**  
**In Person**  
3127 Canfield  
Detroit, MI 48207



**KENYATTA BLOCK CLUB  
JOIN US!**

**FREE!** **FREE!** **FREE!** **FREE!**

**Community  
MOVIE  
Night**

**5:30 PM!**  
**ON FOOTBALL  
FIELD LOT!**

**AUGUST 26, 2022**  
DETROIT EDISON PUBLIC  
SCHOOL ACADEMY  
CORNER OF MACK AVE.  
CHENE STREET

**BRING YOUR OWN  
CHAIR  
B.Y.O.C.**

**GIVEAWAYS!**  
FOR YOUR WHOLE FAMILY!

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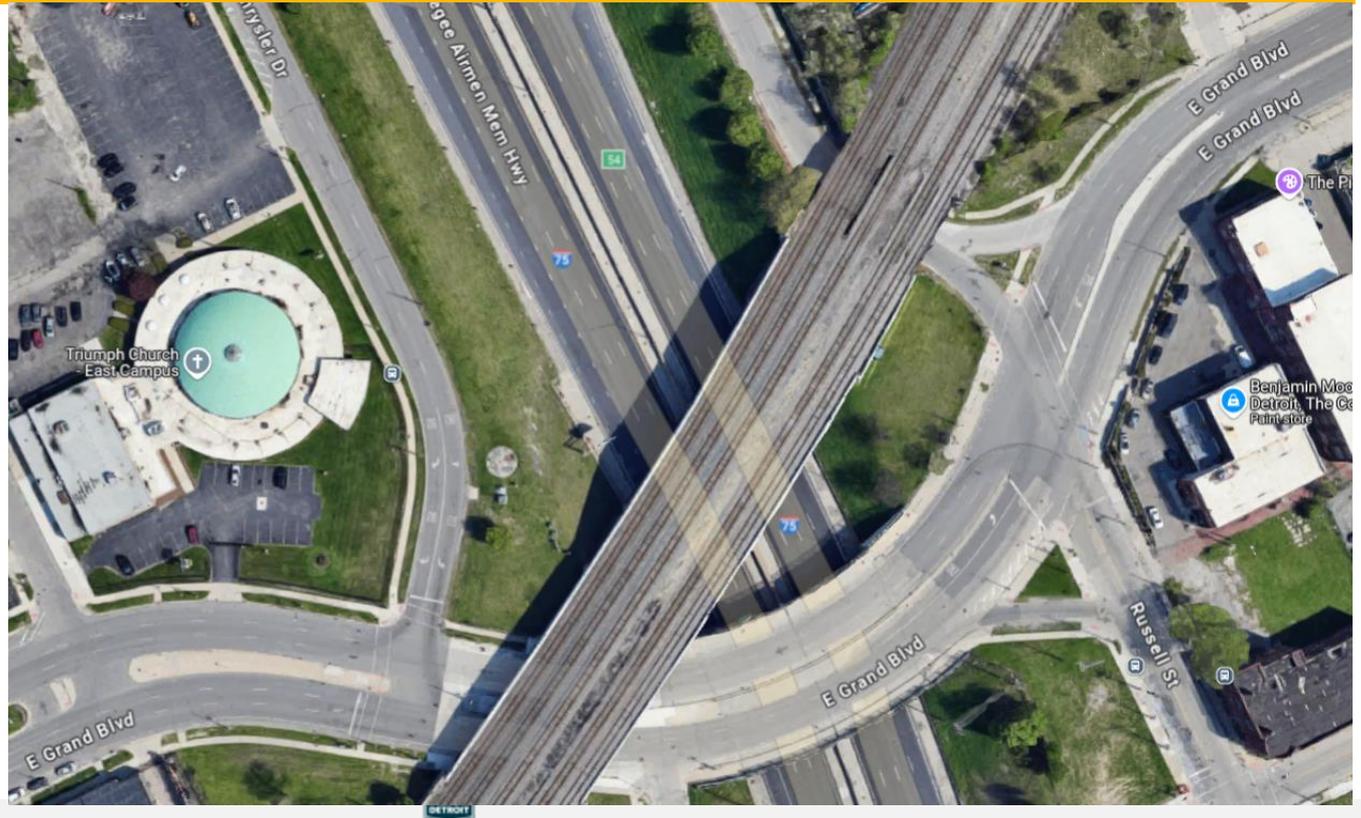


# **EAST GRAND BOULEVARD EAST MILWAUKEE AVENUE**

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# E Grand Boulevard Bike Lanes

- Blind curves
- Merging highway traffic
- Lack of protection
- Hill is difficult for bicyclists of all abilities
- No method to slow cyclists before Factory Zero entrance
- Primary truck route for Factory Zero from I-94



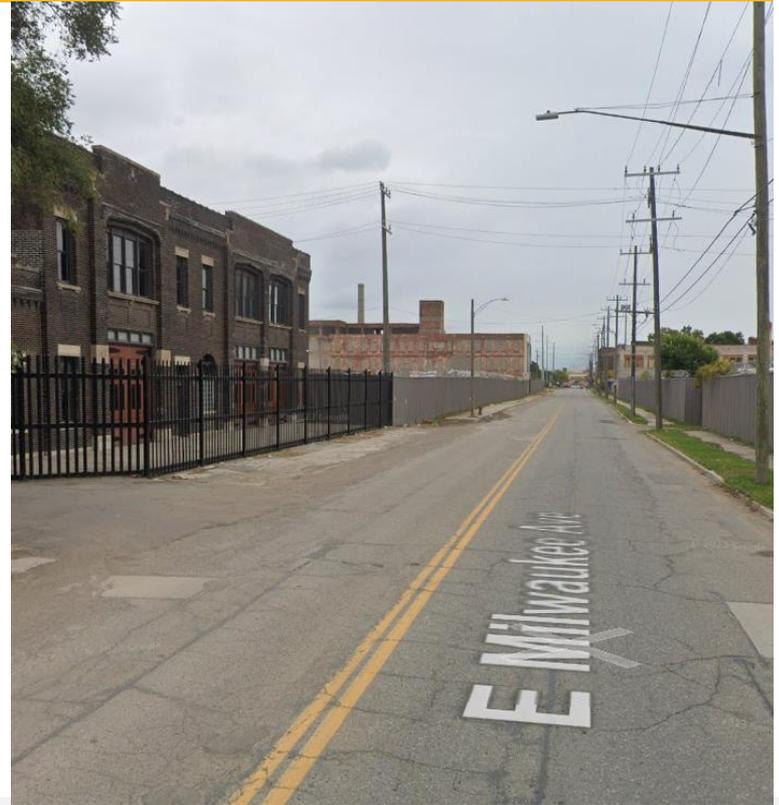
# Daily Traffic

## 2021 Traffic Data

- E Grand Boulevard, 9,777 vehicles per day
- E Milwaukee Avenue, 1,016 vehicles per day

## February 18, 2025, Traffic Data, E Milwaukee Avenue, east of Russell Street

- 1,500 vehicles per day, Russell Street to E Grand Boulevard
- 57 semi-trailers per day
- 85 percentile speed is 32 mph



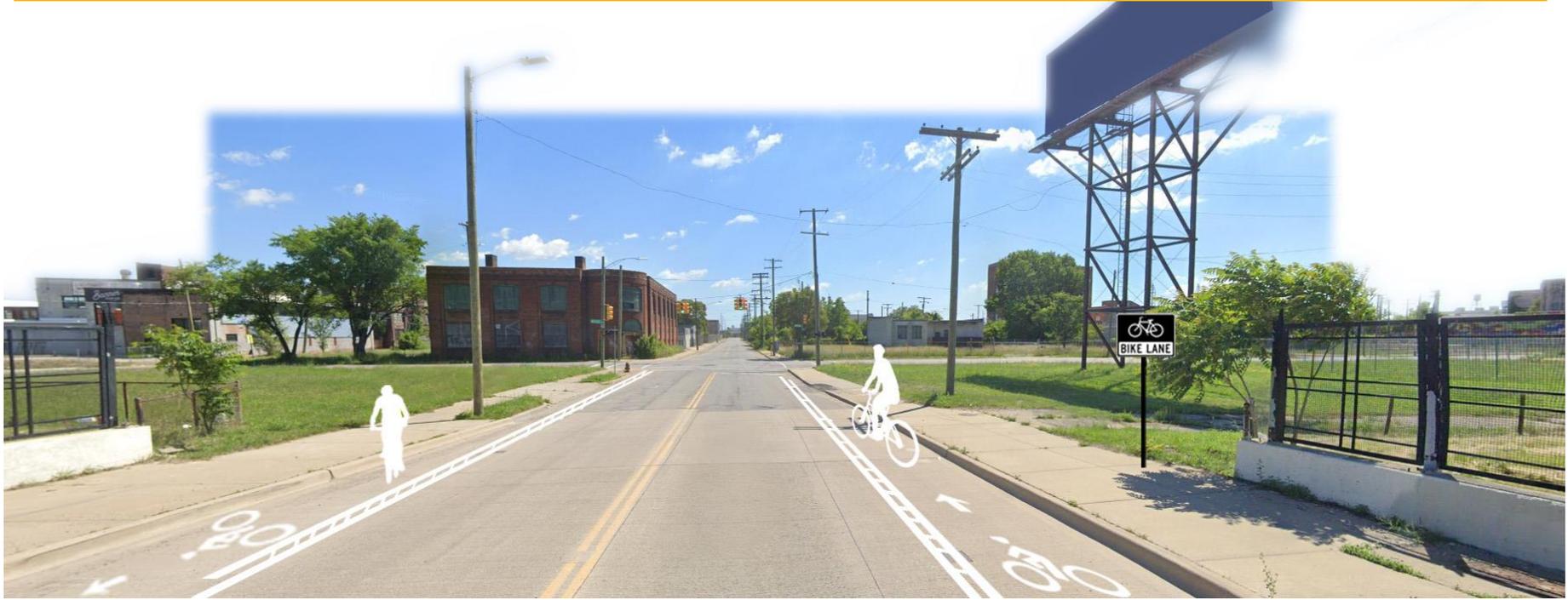
# E Milwaukee Avenue

- Bicyclists at the Joe Louis Greenway Neighborhood Planning Study meeting on September 30, 2024, shared that they preferred bicycling Milwaukee Avenue over E Grand Boulevard.
- Residents on the Department of Neighborhoods District 5 Meeting on November 20, 2024, stated:
  - They preferred E Milwaukee Avenue as an east-west connection to E Grand Boulevard.
  - Lack of lighting under the rail bridges was a concern.
  - Mixed opinions if the bike lanes should be protected or standard bike lanes.



# Buffered Bike Lanes

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1398 E Milwaukee Avenue, looking east



# Buffered Bike Lanes



1952 E Milwaukee Avenue, looking west



# Train Viaducts

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E Milwaukee Avenue, looking east



# Future Lighting



Fort Street, GE wall packs



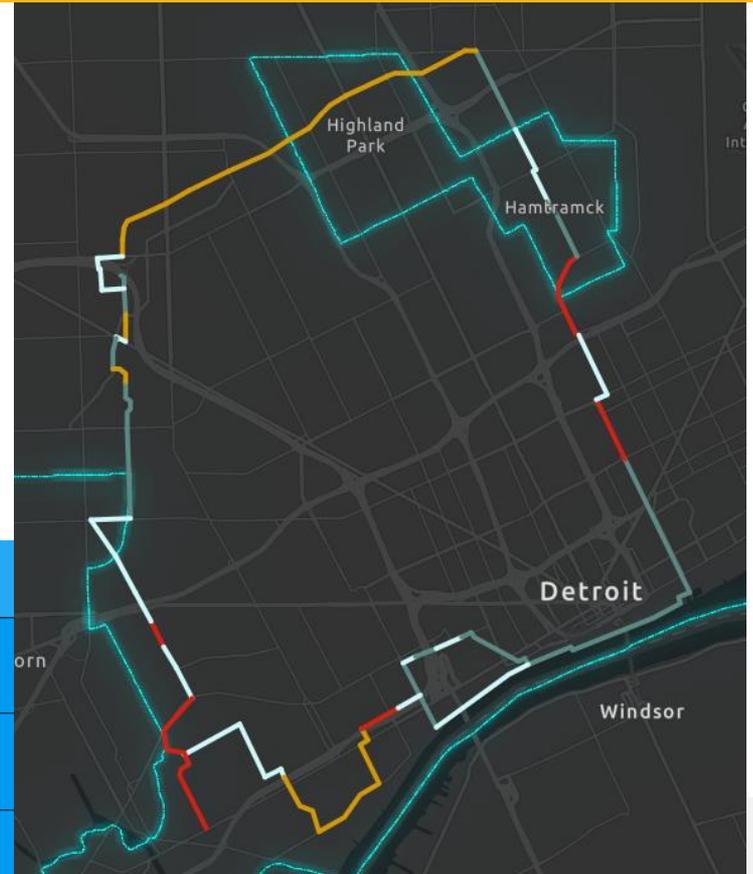
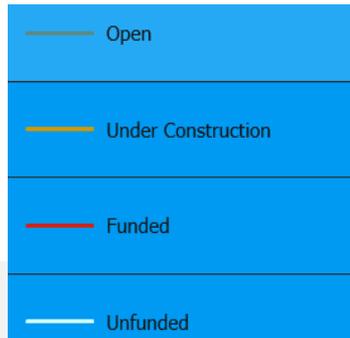
# **JOE LOUIS GREENWAY**

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# Joe Louis Greenway (JLG)

**Approximately 30 miles of pathway that provides a safe loop around the region and:**

- Consists of new trails and on-street bike lanes
- Links to existing trails and an international pedestrian and bicycle crossing
- Connects Dearborn, Hamtramck, Highland Park, and five council districts



# JLG Construction

## Completed construction

- Joseph Campau, Holbrook Avenue to Hamtramck Drive

## Future Construction

- Hamtramck Drive, Joseph Campau Avenue to St. Aubin Street
  - Construction start July 2025
- Dequindre Cut Extension, Warren Avenue to Mack Avenue
  - Construction start 2026
  - Dependent on Federal Highway Safety Administration Grant Agreement



Joseph Campau, looking south



# Joe Louis Greenway Map

## LEGEND

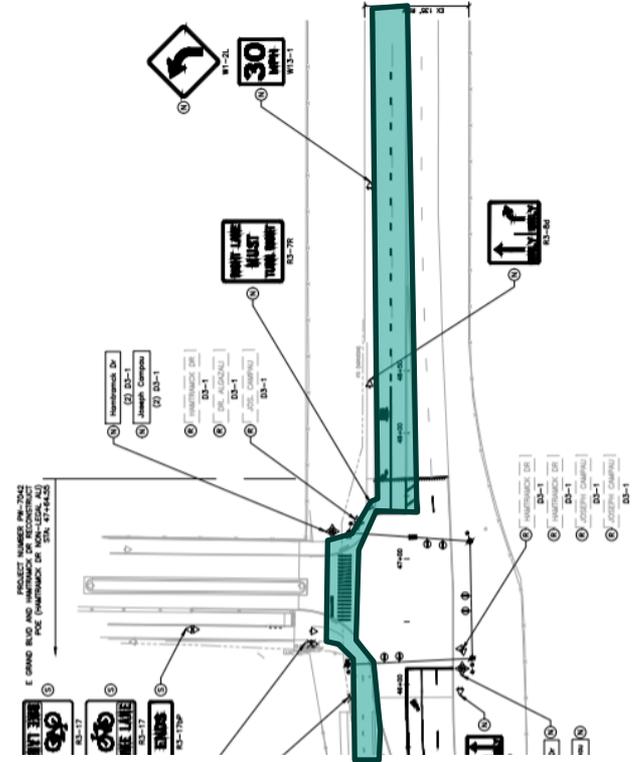
-  Current JLG route
-  Previous JLG route



# JLG, Hamtramck Drive – Road Diet

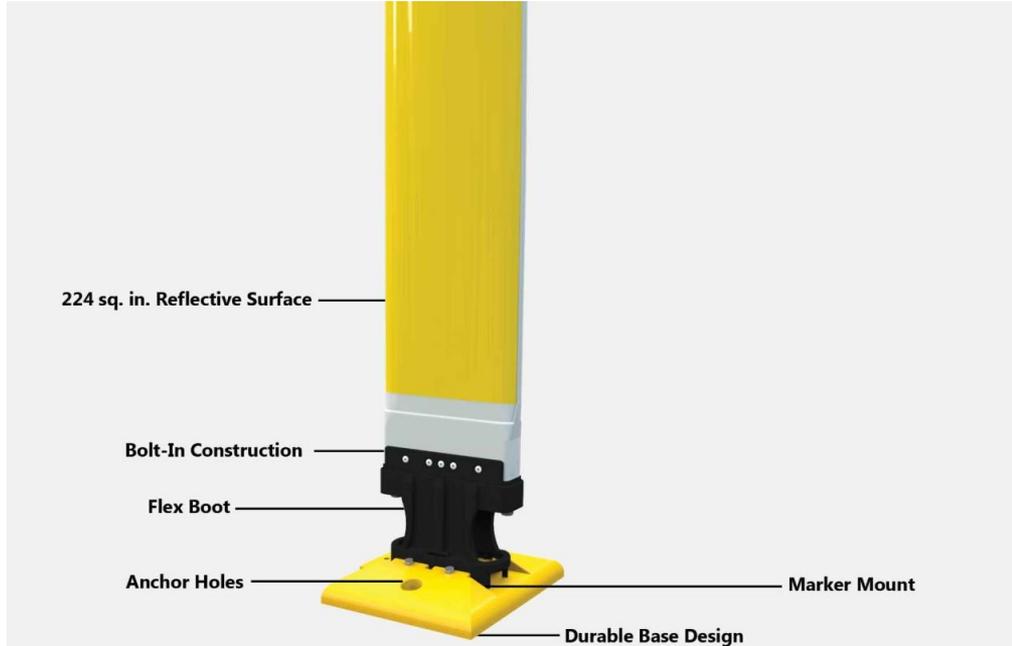


5 lane roadway reduced to 4 lanes,  
Removing center turn lane



# JLG, Hamtramck Drive – Revised Plan

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# OTHER TOPICS

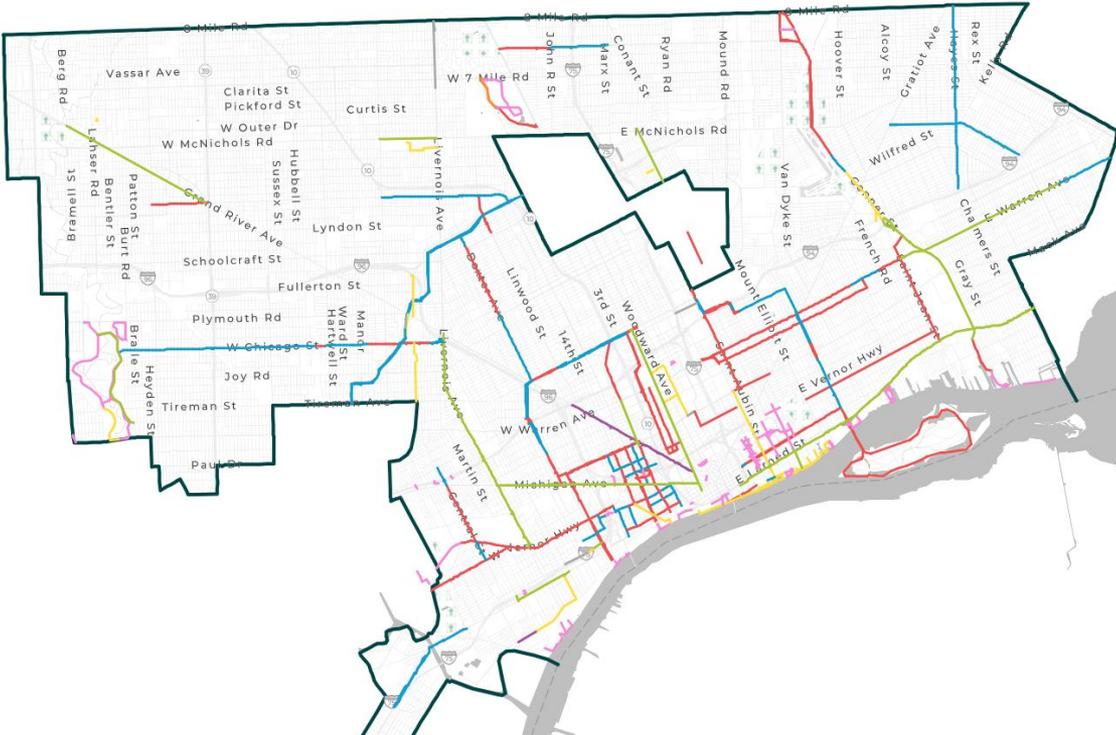
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# Bike Route Map (Draft)

City of Detroit: Bike Lanes

Department of Public Works - Complete Streets

Find address or place



Bike Lanes

Mogo Stations

Spring 2023 Aerial Imagery

**Bike Lanes**

- Bike Lane
- Shared Lane Marking
- Protected Bike Lane
- Buffered Bike Lane
- Two Way Protected Bike Lane
- Shared-Use Paths
- Pedestrian Paths
- Other

# E Milwaukee Ave, Woodward Ave to Hastings St



# NEXT STEPS

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# Next Steps

## ● E Milwaukee Avenue Resurfacing

- Funding source is federal transportation funds
- Anticipated to start late summer/early fall of 2025 (John R Road to East Grand Boulevard)
- Notification will be sent out in advance to all property owners
- Construction timeline – 3 months
- One lane should be open to traffic in either direction
- There may be brief closures as the contractor crosses intersections or driveways

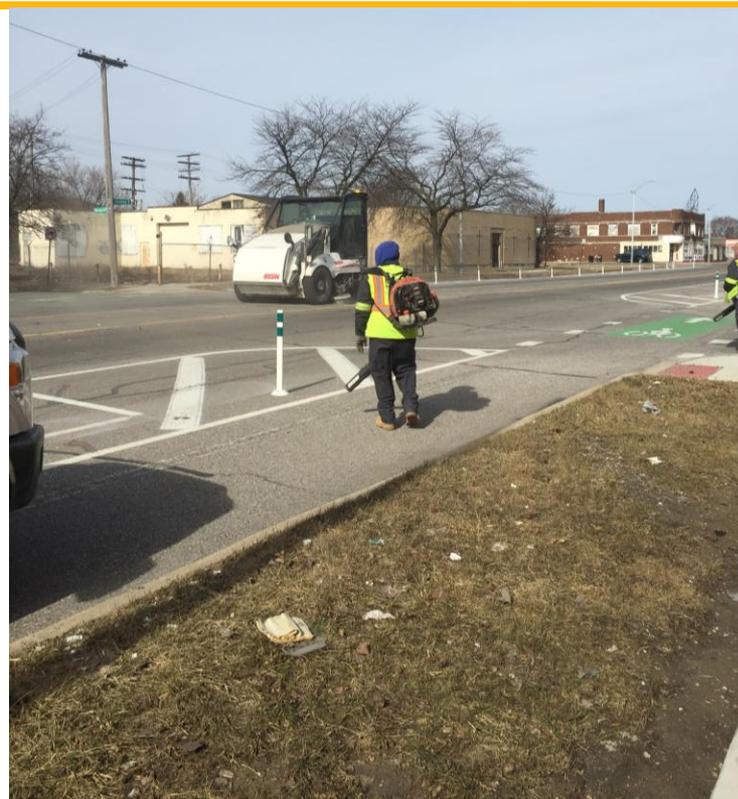


## ● Joe Louis Greenway – 2026

# Maintenance

- **Maintenance**

- Joe Louis Greenway
  - General Services Department
  - Joe Louis Greenway Partnership
- E Milwaukee bike lanes
  - Street Maintenance Division, Department of Public Works



# Let's connect!

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