



Public Comment Form North Stadium Boulevard Sidewalk

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Public Works, Engineering Division
City of Columbia
P.O. Box 6015
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Comments may also be emailed to: pubw@CoMo.gov
(Be sure to include "North Stadium Sidewalk" in the subject line)

Comments *(additional space for more comments on the following page)*

Just a couple of questions.

1. The preliminary plans shows building sidewalk from Timber Creek Dr. to Primrose. It appears to me that the sidewalk exists to near the bottom of the creek valley. Are you modifying that section or just?
2. At the point where you may need to extend the culvert under Stadium, is that cost included in this preliminary plan?
3. Will you need to acquire any right of way or easements (temporary or permanent) on the sections you are building, and specifically where the sidewalk crosses the creek?

Thank you.
John john

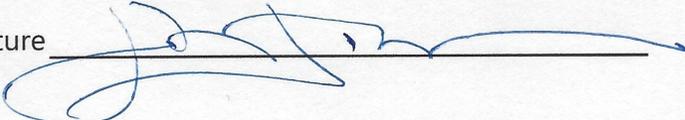


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From: **Mike Burden** <mikeburden77@gmail.com>

Date: Thu, Jun 24, 2021 at 12:02 PM

Subject: [PubW]: North Stadium Sidewalk

To: <pubw@como.gov>

Hello. I am excited about this project, and I appreciate the work the city and its partners do to improve multi-modal transportation connectivity throughout Columbia.

I teach and coach at Columbia Independent School, and I frequently take students from CIS to Cosmo Park. I also witness area residents access the park the same way we do: running across Stadium Blvd. on the north side of Aaron Drive. There is a well-worn footpath leading from the east side of Stadium to the Cosmo Park Recreation Trail. I am eager to learn more about the last line in the project description: "the City is designing a midblock street crossing that crosses Stadium Boulevard near the school that will connect this sidewalk to the Cosmo Fitness Trail in the park."

I hope that the project team will evaluate that site (Aaron Dr.) as a possibility for the midblock street crossing, as it recognizes existing pedestrian behavior. The crossing will greatly enhance the safety of our students, staff, and faculty, and any area residents seeking to access Cosmo Park. I cross it every day on my bike commute to work at CIS, and I would like to ride my twin boys there by bike when they start school this fall. I have seen families running across the street with strollers, and people of all ages crossing there to access Cosmo Park. Cars travel at high rates of speed on Stadium (despite the school zone speed limit) and each time I lead students across Stadium, it's an anxiety producing experience. I imagine area residents feel similarly. Cosmo Park is an amazing resource for our community, and though I access it by bike regularly, the path I take is not inviting for most non-motorized transportation users. The sidewalk project and the midblock crossing could greatly improve safety, and increase access to Cosmo Park, especially for residents living in Ward 2.

I look forward to learning more about both projects, and I would gladly lend support if needed and appropriate.

with gratitude,
Mike Burden

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From: **Christopher Janku** <jankuchris1@gmail.com>

Date: Fri, Jul 2, 2021 at 2:47 PM

Subject: [PubW]: North Stadium Sidewalk Project Public Comment

To: <pubw@como.gov>

Cc: <Ward2@gocolumbiamo.gov>, Lawrence Simonson <lawrence@pednet.org>

This is an excellent project which will improve access of Valley View residents to the Mall and other areas south of I-70.

Access of Valley View residents to Cosmo Park and the Business Loop could also be improved if the project included elimination of the sidewalk gap along the Business Loop at the southwest corner of Cosmo Park. The intersection of the Business Loop with Stadium could also include pedestrian enhancements.

Thank you.

Chris Janku
206 Whitetail Dr.

To whom it may concern,

My name is Daniel Hakes. I am a resident at 1703 Apple Valley Ct, Columbia, MO 65202. I am fairly new to the neighborhood but my wife has grown up here in the Valley View Garden subdivision. I know the public forum ended on July 2nd but I thought I would still offer input (since I just found out about this project last Friday). Thank you for your considerations on improving the accessibility of my neighborhood to the rest of Columbia. One of the only things I constantly complain to my wife about living in this part of Columbia is the lack of ways to exit our neighborhood via walking or biking. Attached is my proposal. Please let me know if you have any questions with my ideas. I would like to hear any other ideas you have for future projects involving sidewalks and neighborhood accessibility in my area.

I think having a sidewalk continuously from the I-70 interchange to Break Time on Stadium Blvd is a great idea! However, in my opinion this would not completely solve the accessibility issue to the neighborhood. I grew up in Nebraska and was used to biking all around towns without sidewalks. I rode multiple miles on the side of a busy 2 lane highway without concern because of how wide the shoulders were. However, in Missouri I noticed the roads do not have much, if anything for shoulders creating an unsafe atmosphere for bikers. In 2018, Bicycling magazine named Columbia one of the "Best Bike Cities in America" with a rank of 46. Yet, in 2021, I cannot safely get out of my neighborhood on a bike without running into busy traffic on Stadium Blvd or the dangerous curvy road which is the Interstate 70 Drive NW that contains a shoulder only large enough for a small colony of ants to walk in single file (at the widest part). The proposed sidewalk would be beneficial to go south into town but it needs more additions to really give Columbia Independent School, the Four Winds Villages, and Valley View Garden subdivision full access to the rest of Columbia. Below are the other sidewalk additions that I believe are necessary.

Proposed Improvements to Sidewalks and Trails

1. Sidewalk along Garden Dr to Interstate 70 Dr NW ~500 feet needed to then connect to...
 - a. Existing sidewalk ends about 500 feet before Interstate Dr NW
 - i. I propose the new sidewalk either goes the full 500 feet OR a nice sidewalk exit added to existing sidewalk and entrance to future sidewalk along Interstate 70 Drive

2. Sidewalk from Garden Dr to I-70/Stadium Blvd Interchange.
 - a. No existing sidewalk and road is very dangerous to bikers because of car speed and lack of shoulders
 - i. I propose a minimum sidewalk from N Stadium Blvd going west at least until it hits Garden Dr. That new sidewalk could be placed along the side of the road from (north side) from N Stadium to the Boone County Fire Protection District Building entrance. From that entrance going west the sidewalk could either continue alongside the road but I would personally prefer it to drop down into the side of the ditch to distance bikers from traffic. (Having the path initially start along the road is fine because of the open grass field by the Fire Protection building but going west there are trees that block driver and biker vision so extra safety precautions would be necessary.) Continuing through the ditch area going west meets up nicely with the corner of Garden Dr and Interstate 70 Dr NW.



3. Sidewalk along Business loop 70 W from North Stadium around to existing sidewalk on Bus Loop W ~700 feet needed around the curve to Stadium Blvd intersection
 - a. *There exists a sidewalk that I think should be connected to the I-70 Interchange at Stadium Blvd. This would provide quick and easy access to Business Loop 70 W which leads to connecting bike trails and neighborhoods going to the East. I believe access going east from the interchange provides more safe opportunities to get out my neighborhood as well as connects the east and west parts of north Stadium Blvd.*
 - i. *I propose a sidewalk going from the I-70 interchange on N Stadium to the existing sidewalk on Business Loop 70 W on the southwest corner of the Columbia Cosmopolitan Recreation Area. Approximately 700-800 feet of sidewalk is needed.*



4. A pedestrian crosswalk needed at Aaron Drive (S of CIS) across Stadium Blvd & a sidewalk connector between Stadium Blvd to Cosmos fitness trail. (I am pretty sure this part is listed in the project description with a separate project but I wanted to include it because I think it would be extremely beneficial. I would like to see this happen soon)
 - a. I propose a crosswalk from the Aaron Drive sidewalk (south side) across Stadium Blvd to Cosmo Park and the fitness trail at the park (b).
 - b. I propose a sidewalk from the proposed (a) Stadium Blvd crosswalk at Aaron Drive to the Cosmopolitan Recreation fitness trail. The trail can be put where beat down grass already is because people are currently using that cut across space anyway. About 100 feet of sidewalk is needed here.



5. Safe crosswalk at Primrose Drive. (Again, I know this is in your plan but I wanted to stress its importance because cars fly around the corner at the yield sign)

If you need to contact me you can use my email address (dshakes87@gmail.com) or phone ([573-825-7490](tel:573-825-7490)). Again, thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

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From: **City of Columbia, MO - PRODUCTION** <noreply@como.gov>

Date: Fri, Jul 16, 2021 at 4:09 PM

Subject: Tyler 311 - Assignment for Future Projects Action

To: andrew.briedwell@como.gov <andrew.briedwell@como.gov>

Incident PWENG-352 was assigned to you on 7/16/2021 4:09:43 PM.

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Request Details:

Two way comment: "Will you please put a sidewalk in on the west side of Cosmo/Stadium out to Rte E. People walking on roads because there isn't a sidewalk. Thank you :)" Please add notes as to any actions taken on this comment.

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