East Hennepin Avenue repaving project County Road 52 in Minneapolis

Hennepin County plans to repave a section of East Hennepin Avenue (County Road 52) between the bridge over 35W and Industrial Boulevard. East Hennepin Avenue is currently an urban four-lane road. Some sections have a center median and left turn lanes. There are no dedicated bike lanes on the corridor.

As part of the repaving project, Hennepin County is evaluating ways to improve comfort and safety for all people traveling along the corridor.

Engagement for this project is taking place in the summer of 2024 with anticipated construction in 2025.

Potential improvements

This project provides an opportunity to change roadway striping on East Hennepin Avenue to improve safety and mobility for road users while preserving existing parking infrastructure. The project team is currently collecting feedback on potential changes such as the items listed below.

Changes under consideration include:

- Reconstructing curb ramps to be more accessible and easier to use, compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Reducing the number of general travel lanes from four-lanes to three-lanes with a center left turn lane and two general travel lanes to reduce crashes while narrowing the widths of the lanes to discourage speeding
- Shortening crossing distances to improve safety for people walking and rolling
- Adding dedicated bike lanes with buffer space between bike lanes, parked vehicles and moving traffic to improve safety for people biking

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Questions or feedback?

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