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Project Update

The City of Colorado Springs is moving forward with the 30th Street Corridor widening project along the two-mile stretch between Fontanero Street to Mesa Road. Design plans have been completed and the City is now in the process of acquiring construction easements necessary to build the project.

Once easements are acquired, the City will advertise for a contractor to build the project with visible construction estimated to start May 2021.

30th Street between Fontanero and King streets to close for construction work

Concrete work takes place in advance of 30th Street corridor project

30th Street between Fontanero and King streets will be close to vehicle traffic beginning Wednesday, Jan. 6 for concrete work funded by ballot 2C. Work will take place for approximately four weeks, weather and resource dependent. Access to residences along the corridor will be maintained throughout construction. Detours will be in place. [CLICK HERE](#) to view.

Concrete work, which is taking place in advance of the 30th Street Corridor widening project, will be conducted in phases moving south along 30th Street from Fontanero to King streets. A second phase of concrete work will take place between King Street and Colorado Avenue later this year.

This project is separate from utility work conducted by Colorado Springs Utilities at Colorado Avenue and 30th Street.

Project Information

The City of Colorado Springs is implementing improvements to the 30th Street Corridor between Fontanero Street and Mesa Road. The project will improve safety and mobility for travelers, bicyclists, and pedestrians; improve water quality; stabilize hillside slopes; and create an effective emergency evacuation corridor for northwest Colorado Springs. This Federally funded project was awarded to improve corridor emergency response needs, which were recognized during evacuation from the Waldo Canyon Fire. The project will also improve: safety of bicyclists riding in mixed traffic on 30th Street; Garden of the Gods Park entrance congestion, and untreated roadway runoff that flows into the Park and adjacent neighborhoods.

The addition of seven-foot shoulders (includes two-foot gutter pan) to 30th Street between Fontanero Street and Mesa Road will widen the road from 24 feet to 37 feet, creating

space for emergency vehicles and evacuation, and providing a safe space for bicyclists to ride. The new roundabout at Gateway Road will reduce congestion and improve safety for corridor travelers and Park visitors, and create a “sense of arrival” for the Park entrance. In addition, there will be a new pedestrian underpass for Foothills Trail at Gateway Road. Stormwater improvements will include roadside curbs and gutters to capture runoff, and water quality treatment.

These corridor improvements have been developed over a three-year period (2017 – 2020), with continuous community and agency involvement in exploring alternatives, developing design concepts, and evaluating environmental impacts. The City received environmental clearances for the project from Colorado Department of Transportation and Federal Highways Administration in Fall 2019.

Spring 2021 Public Meeting

The project team will schedule a public information meeting this spring once a contractor has been selected. During the meeting, the contractor will communicate the project phasing, expected impacts and anticipated completion date.

STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFORMATION.

30th Street Corridor Project Schedule

- Final Design: completed 2020
- Project Advertised to contractors: Spring 2021
- Contractor Selection: Spring 2021
- Public Meeting: once a contractor has been selected
- Construction Begins: May 2021
- Construction Completion: 2022 (Estimated time to construct: 18-24 months) Weather and unknown items always have the potential to delay any construction project.

Funding

Total project cost: \$18 million. Design was funded with City of Colorado Springs Public Works Capital Dollars. Surface Transportation Metro Funds will provide construction funding.

For more information on the project:

[ColoradoSprings.gov/30thStreet](https://coloradosprings.gov/30thStreet)



Sign up to receive project updates and notices of the public meetings, send an email to Monica@bachmanpr.com requesting to be added to the project database.

How to stay informed. To learn more about the 30th Street Corridor Development project, visit the project website: [ColoradoSprings.gov/30thStreet](https://coloradosprings.gov/30thStreet)

