

University Avenue Complete Street Phase 1

Project Background

The City of San Diego is modifying the roadway segment of University Avenue between Fairmount Avenue and Euclid Avenue to improve safety and mobility along the University Avenue corridor for pedestrians, transit, and automobile traffic.

Project Overview

The University Avenue Complete Street Phase 1 project will construct safety improvements along University Avenue, between Fairmount Avenue and Euclid Avenue, featuring:

- Roadway improvements, including three roundabouts, raised center medians, asphalt overlay, and re-striping.
- Pedestrian improvements, including rectangular rapid flashing beacons at pedestrian crosswalks, High-Intensity Activated Crosswalk (HAWK) which is a traffic control device used to stop road traffic and allow pedestrians to cross safely, widened sidewalks, curb extensions to shorten crossing distances, and curb ramps.
- Transit improvements, including new transit stops and extended existing transit stops.
- Drainage improvements, including a new storm drain system.

The overall project is within one of the most densely populated areas in San Diego. The area includes residential neighborhoods, business districts, major arterial corridors that connect neighborhoods, local streets, and pedestrian corridors.

Construction Schedule

Construction mobilized in January 2023 and is anticipated to be substantially complete by Summer 2024.

Anticipated Work for November and December 2023:

The following work is anticipated over the next two months:

- Installing north half of two roundabouts at Menlo Avenue and Highland Avenue intersections. South halves will be installed in 2024, allowing single-lane two-way traffic to be maintained on University during this phase of construction.
- Installing raised medians along University Avenue between Menlo Avenue and Highland Avenue.
- Installing storm drain system along north side of University Avenue between 45th Street and Highland Avenue.
- Installing landscaping and planting new trees along University Avenue on north side sidewalk between Menlo Avenue and Highland Avenue.
- Widening sidewalks and installing curb extensions on north side between Chamoune Avenue and Highland Avenue.
- Asphalt overlay resurfacing on north side of raised median between Menlo Avenue and Chamoune Avenue.

More information on the [project's schedule and budget is available here](#).

Traffic Impacts

Temporary road closures, traffic rerouting, parking and access restrictions will be in effect during construction. All businesses remain open during construction, and pedestrian access is provided.

Email Updates and Contact Information

All efforts will be taken to minimize impacts on the residents and businesses in the community. The impacts may change as construction progresses. To help keep the community informed about the anticipated construction activities and impacts, updates will be posted on this page and emailed to subscribers as significant events occur.

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