

Franklin Ave SE and Bedford St SE Intersection Improvements

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Project Fact Sheet

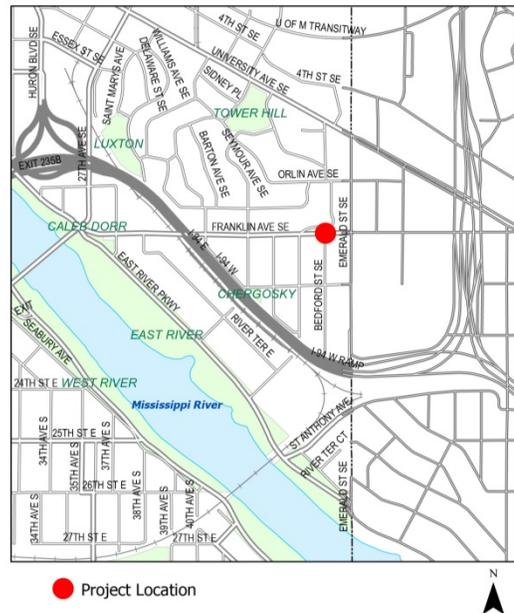


The City of Minneapolis proposes to simplify the intersection of Franklin Ave SE and Bedford St SE to improve the experience for all users, especially people walking. The proposed project is scheduled to start and finish in 2018. The project is funded by the City's Pedestrian Safety Program and supports the City's multidisciplinary commitment to Vision Zero – a strategy to eliminate all traffic fatalities and severe injuries on Minneapolis streets.

PROJECT GOALS

The project need originated from nearby residents during planning for the 2016 Franklin Ave SE resurfacing project. After further review, Public Works is proposing improvements to the Franklin Ave SE and Bedford St SE intersection that aim to:

1. Make the intersection more “legible” for all users
2. Reduce crossing distance for people walking
3. Improve sightlines for people crossing Franklin Ave SE
4. Reduce driver speeds on Bedford St SE



PROJECT SCHEDULE



CONTACT

If you would like to learn more about the proposed project, request additional information, or share your ideas, please visit the project website or contact the project team using the contact information provided below.

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Existing Issues

The existing pedestrian ramps do not align with logical crossing locations.

And, the wide intersection creates long crossing distances for people walking.



Due to the skewed intersection design, it is not always clear where approaching drivers on Bedford St SE should stop.



At the existing crossing location on Franklin Ave SE, the hill between Bedford St SE and Cecil St SE makes it difficult to see traffic approaching from the west.



The existing wide and open intersection design allows vehicles to turn onto Bedford St SE at high speeds.

