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RE: E. LYON STREET LANE ADJUSTMENTS

Dear Property Owner:

This letter is being sent to you regarding recommended adjustments to the lanes on E. Lyon Street between Adobe Road and MN Highway 23. As discussed in the enclosed Flyer, the City has received a Federal grant to install an improved pedestrian crossing at Parkside Elementary just east of Adobe Road. Included in the installation will be Rectangular Rapid Flash Beacons (RRFB's) that have an alternating yellow flasher activated with a push button, pedestrian refuge islands that provide crossers a "mid-point" to shorten the crossing distances, and Dynamic Speed Feedback signs that show a driver's speed compared to the speed limit. This project is programmed for construction next year in 2022.

In preparation for that project, the Engineering staff is recommending making adjustments to the lane configuration of the street. Currently, the street has 2 travel lanes, bike lanes and parking on both sides of the street. Staff is recommending that Lyon be striped into a 3-lane configuration with 2 thru lanes and a center left turn lane. Parking would be removed from both sides of the street to accommodate the bike lanes that are currently on-street. Included in the changes, the bike lanes that currently end at Jewett Street would be extended to MN Highway 23 to connect to the existing crossing that connects to the bike trail on the east side of the highway.

Although on-street parking would be removed, all of the properties east of Adobe have off-street parking available to accommodate their patrons. However, to transition the street from the 2-lane configuration west of Adobe into the 3-lane configuration east of Adobe, on-street parking would have to be removed from the first couple residences (1215 and 1217) to accommodate the transition. We understand that this may have impacts to your use of the street for additional parking space outside of your driveway. On-street parking would still be available on Adobe Road and on Lyon Street west of the 1213 address. Staff understands that this may create some inconveniences for residents to utilize the street for additional parking.

Engineering staff is recommending these changes to improve the safety of the pedestrian crossing as well as improve traffic flows by allowing left-turning traffic to have a dedicated lane that does not impede the flow of thru traffic. The extension of the bike lanes to Highway 23 also makes a connection to the existing crossing and trail along the highway. Please review the information included in the enclosed Flyer as well as the proposed layouts shown. If you have additional questions or concerns with the recommended changes, please contact me by e-mail at [Jessie.Dehn@ci.marshall.mn.us](mailto:Jessie.Dehn@ci.marshall.mn.us) or by phone at 507-537-6773. Thank you.

Respectfully,

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Enclosures: Flyer to Residents