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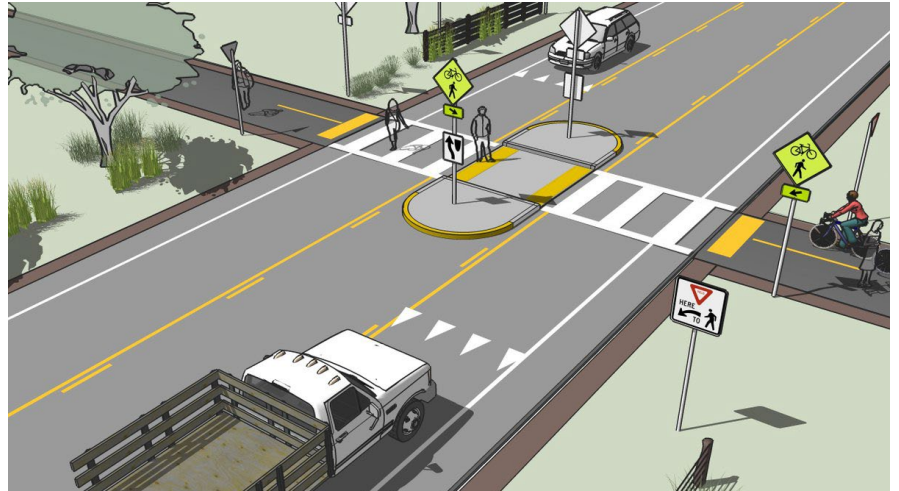
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# E. Lyon Street Lane Adjustments



## BACKGROUND

The City of Marshall has received a Federal grant to install Rectangular Rapid Flash Beacons (RRFB's) and pedestrian refuge islands, pictured above, next to various schools in Marshall. Included in the project will be Dynamic Speed Feedback signs that show a driver's speed compared to the speed limit. Ideally, Engineering staff aims to improve safety for school-aged children walking and biking to school by providing these improved crossings. This project is planned for construction in 2022.

## PROPOSED ADJUSTMENTS

In preparation of next year's project, Engineering staff is proposing to make adjustments to the lanes on E. Lyon Street. Currently, the street has 2 driving lanes with bike and parking lanes on both sides. The bike lanes end at Jewett Street where the bike trail continues north. Staff is proposing to change the layout into a 3-lane (with center left-turn lane) with bike lanes on both sides of the street. The bike lanes would be extended to MN Highway 23 where there is an existing crossing that connects to the trail on the east side of the highway. Parking would be removed from both sides of the street as all the adjacent properties east of Adobe Road have off-street parking available currently.



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Engineering staff feels that a 3-lane configuration will accomplish a number of improvements on E. Lyon Street between Adobe Road and MN Highway 23. Mainly, this will allow space for the new pedestrian refuge island to be installed at the new school crossing. By having the island in a center lane, this avoids the need for thru traffic to shift around the island in a 2-lane layout. This will be safer for crossers in the event of distracted drivers or impaired driving conditions where the driver may not be able to shift. Another large benefit for this layout is the ability for left turning traffic to wait in the center turn lane for space to cross opposing traffic. With turning traffic in their own lane, thru traffic will be able to continue their trip without having to wait for turning traffic to clear the lane. Extending the bike lanes to the highway will also make use of the crossing at Highway 23 and provide a connection to the bike trail on the other side of the highway. If there are comments or concerns with the proposed lane layouts, please contact Jessie Dehn, Assistant City Engineer, 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!

