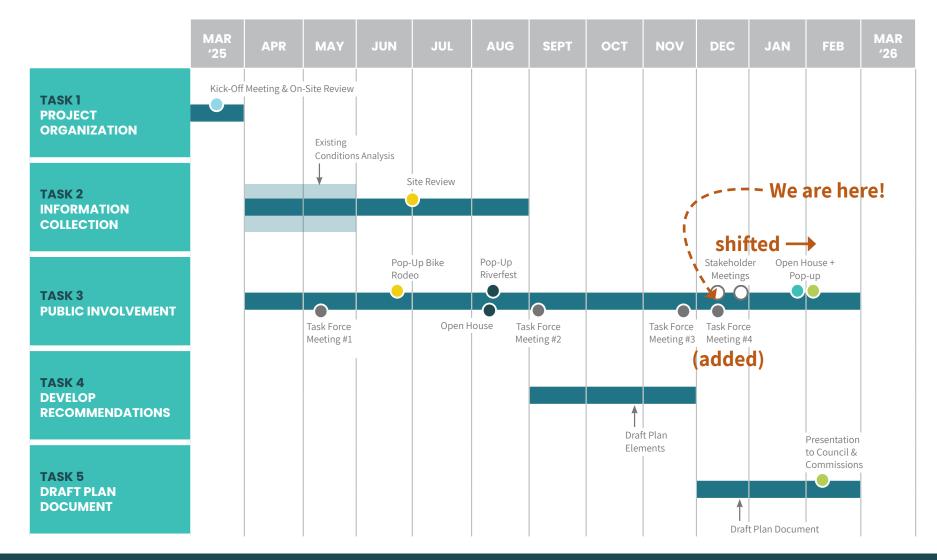
Schedule



Issues and Concerns

BARRIERS/CONSTRAINTS

- » Lack of connected facilities that connect to all areas of Watertown.
- » Physical barriers, such as rail lines, highways, and the Rock River have had an impact on where facilities are easy or convenient to build.
- » Lack or low visibility for amenities that support biking and walking in Watertown.

- » Need for upgrades at specific intersections and midblock crossings for better visibility of pedestrians and bicyclists.
- » Need for consistent facilities for bicyclists to travel across the City that are more defined.
- » Lack of facilities to connect to destinations beyond Watertown.



GOALS A VISION FOR THE FUTURE



» Provide comfortable routes to connect all areas of Watertown for bicyclists and pedestrians, including seniors, young people, and people who use mobility devices.

- » ADD Goal re: WHY providing additional mode of transportation for daily use
- » ADD Goal re: ettiquette, education, awareness
- » ADD language related to safety this should be an emphasis



» Provide appropriate facilities for pedestrians and bicyclists that consider traffic volumes, traffic speeds, cost, available ROW, parking and roadway circulation.



» Prioritize connections to schools, parks, downtown businesses, churches, community centers, library, retail, hospital/medical locations and the River.



OBJECTIVES

- » Bike Lanes protected bike lanes where possible
- » Focus on downtown
- » Sidewalk and bikeway connections to Walmart, Kwik Trip, hospital, industrial areas
- » Sidewalks in residential neighborhoods
- » Loop trails
- » Connect to Rock River
- » Expand the Riverwalk
- » Opportunities for reduced on-street parking to make room for bikeway facilities
- » Locations for curb extensions (bump-outs) and HAWK/RRFBs
 - Near schools and parks
- » Intersection Improvements



FRAMEWORK

Northwest Area

Identify pedestrian connections to Brandt-Quirk Park, longer bike connections out of the City via Welsch Rd

Glacial River Bike Route

Improve signage / route designation Upgrade to bike lane or separated facility where possible

West St / Pepsi Area

Identify best north/south connections Upgrade all of West St to Shared Use Path

Milford St / Rock River

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Identify best east/west connections Future upgrade to Shared Use Path on Milford St Connections north/south for on-street bikeway and sidewalk connections

Meadowbrook/Medical Center

Identify best connections across Hwy 16, Connections to Fourth St. Explore intersection treatments for safety

Downtown Core:

Legend

City Boundary

Schools

Water Access

Sidewalks

Pond/Brickyard Park

Watertown Municipal Airport

JEFFERSON RD

Boat LaunchKayak Launch

Bike Routes, Trails, and

Proposed River Walk

E MAIN ST

SILVER CREEK RD

___ City Bike Routes (On

Glacial River Bike

Glacial River Bike Route (On Road) County Bike Routes

County Bike Route (On Road) Rock River Route

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City Parks

Identify corridors for north/south and east/west bike lanes (may need to remove parking)

Western Ave

Upgrade to Bike Lane

Interurban Connection

Identify corridors to connect from trailhead to Downtown Core, Dog Park to 12th St

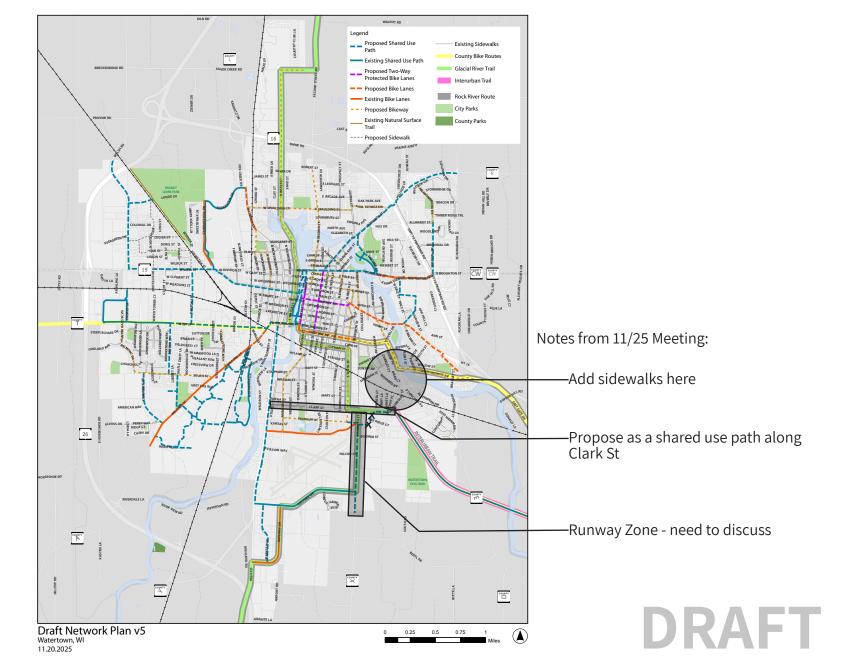
12th St / Glacial River Bike Route

Improve sigange /route designation Upgrade to bike lane or separated facility where possible

DRAFT!

INCLUDES:

- » Existing + Proposed Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities (Draft, in-progress)
- » Highlight/underlays of existing:
 - Interurban Trail
 - Glacial River Trail
 - Rock River Trail
 - County Bikeway Network



Facility Design Guidance

OBJECTIVES

» Provide guidance on dimensions, materials, applicability, and placement for the following facilities:



Shared Use Paths





Bike Lanes + Protected Bike Lanes





Bikeways: Sharrows / Shared Lane Markings



Sidewalks





TWO-WAY PROTECTED BIKE LANES ---



- » Three proposed locations within downtown core area.
- » Provides protected bikeway where space is too constrained to build a Shared Use Path
- » Will require removal of on-street parking on one side of the roadway
 - Market St north side is preferred
 - First St east side is preferred
 - Fourth St either side
- » Raised curb at intersections + vertical delineators to separate vehicles from bike lanes is preferred
- » Intersection treatments along2-Way Protected Bike Lanes:
 - Wide green high visibility crosswalk markings
- » Should be located on 2-way roadways through downtown Watertown
- » Should be wide enough to plow



TWO-WAY PROTECTED BIKE LANES -----





Additional Design Guidance

OBJECTIVES

» Provide guidance on dimensions, materials, applicability, and placement for the following:



Trailheads / Trail Access Points Bike Parking



Wayfinding



Intersection + Crosswalk Treatments



Bridge and RR Crossings



Landscaping + Stormwater Management



Proposed Trailheads

ACCESS POINTS

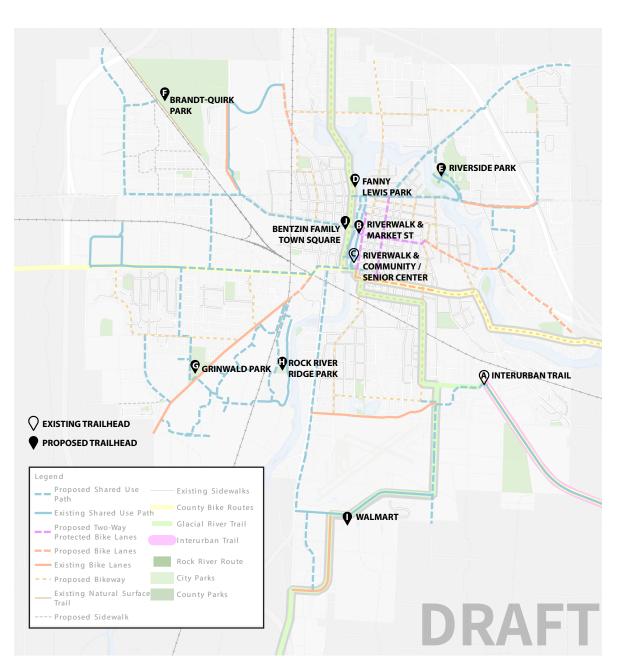
- » Facilities
 - Parking (identified locations generally already have parking available)
 - Kiosk
 - Restrooms (optional)
 - Water fountain
 - Bike parking
 - Seating
 - Shade
 - Interpretation / Art
 - Charging station











Proposed Wayfinding

STRATEGY

» ON-STREET (BIKEWAYS, BIKE LANES)

- Bikeway and Bike Lane Signs – visible to vehicles
- Share the Road signs visible to vehicles
- Directional signage at decision-points
- Distance to community destinations









Proposed Crossing

#	Location	High Visibility Crosswalk Markings	Bike Crosswalks	Ped Ramps	RRFB	Curb Extension	Trail Xing Sign	Share the Road Sign	Signal Timing / LPI	Grade Separated Crossing (Tunnel)	Ped Refuge Island	RR Crossing
1	West St and Horseshoe Rd	х		Х			Х					
2	West St and Benton St	X		х	Х	Х	Х					
3	Dayton St RR xing north of West St.											Х
4	Dayton St and W Main St	X		х	Х	Х						
5	W Main St and W Division St	Х		Х	Х							
6	Water St and W Main St	х				Х			Х			
7	N Second St and E Dvision St	Х					Х					
8	N Fourth St at Center St	х		х	х	Х						
9	Labaree St at 4th St	Х	х	Х								
10	N Fourth St at Carl Schurz Dr	х	x	х	Х	Х	Х					
11	N Fourth St at STH 16	х							Х	х	Х	
12	Boughton St and STH 16 Frontage Rd	х		х	х						х	
13	Dewey Ave and E Division St	Х	х	Х								
14	Market St and Main St and 10th St	х	х	х								
15	10th St and Market St	х	x	Х								
17	10th St and Western Ave	х	x	х								
18	1st St and Milwaukee St	х	x	Х								
20	12th St and Boomer St	х	х	х								
21	Church St and Boomer St	Х	х	Х								
22	Milford St and Johnson St	х	x	х								
23	Milford St and West St											Х
24	West St near Bernard St											х
25	2nd St under RR							Х				
26	Church St and Milwaukee St	х	х	х		Х			Х			
27	Church St and Simpson St	х	х						Х			
29	Milford St at Grinwald Park	х	x		х	х						
31	E Main St and RMS	х										
32	E Main and Hall St	х										
33	Boughton and Hidde Dr	х	х		Х	Х						
34	Lunde Ln / Brandt-Quirk Park											х
35	Hoffman Dr and RR											X



Proposed Crossing

TREATMENTS



High Visibility Crosswalk

Trail Crossing Sign



Bike Crosswalk



Curb Ramps



Share the Road Sign



Signal Timing / Leading Pedestrian Interval



RRFB



Grade Separated Crossing (Tunnel)



Curb Extension



Pedestrian Refuge Island





RR Crossings

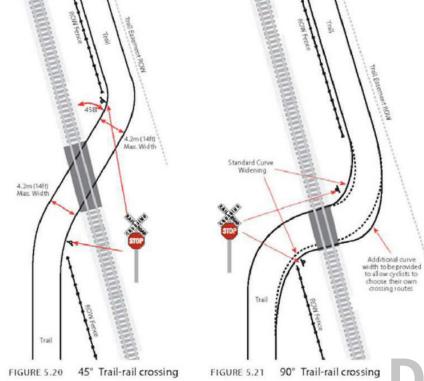
- Clear path for pedestrians and bicyclists
- Bicycles to cross tracks at 90 or 45 degree
- 'Look' signage
- Continuous raised surface for pathway
- Bollards asneeded





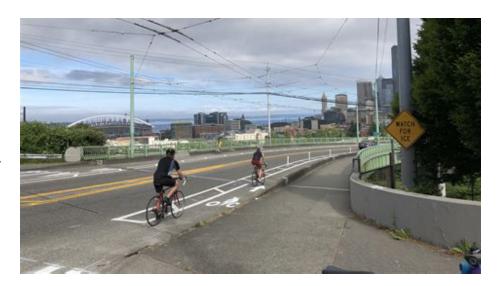






Bridge Crossings

- » Combine pedestrian and bicycle path with existing sidewalk if there is not room for separated on-street facilities
 - Most prevalent scenario today
 - Signage
 - Potential for 'dismount' zones for bicyclists
 - Solid white striped bike lane with flexible bollards where there is room within roadway
- » Future bridge reconstruction or renovations should include width for separated bicycle and pedestrian facilities (longterm)





Landscaping and Stormwater

- » Landscaping at crosswalk bumpouts and medians
- » Can be part of protected bike lane infrastructure
- » Linear landscapes for pollinators
- » Shade trees along trails















E-Bike Policy

RECOMMENDATIONS

- » Allow all bicycles, all classes of E-Bikes and E-Scooters on Shared Use Paths and Bike Lanes, and Bikeways.
- » Prohibit all non-classed bicycles and scooters on any City sidewalk or shared use path?
- » Limit speed of all devices on Shared Use Paths to 20mph
 - E-Bikes, Bicycles, and Scooters traveling faster than 20mph need to ride within the roadway, vehicle travel lane
 - Possibly consider requiring pedaling-assist only (prohibit Class 2) on Shared Use Paths or Bike Lanes?

- » Prohibit all bicycles, E-Bikes, and E-Scooters on sidewalks
 - Exception for children under 12 bicycles only
 - Allow all personal assistive mobility devices on sidewalks, with a speed limit of 15mph
- » Limit number of passengers to align with bike or accessory design (apply to all bikes and scooters)
- » Require registration of all bicycles, scooters
- » Require helmets?





Next Steps

- » HKGi to revise Plan Elements, begin Draft Plan Document
- » Stakeholder Group Outreach
 - Schools Meeting on 12/11
 - Employers Chamber Newsletter
- » Public Works Committee Update
 - December 9th, 2025

