E Memorial Drive Reconstruction

Surface Transportation Program – Urban

E Memorial Drive & Ramp Reconstruction (N Washington St to Harding St) Local Street Rock County Municipal Street Improvement Supplemental (MSIS)

E Memorial Drive Pavement Replacement (Harding St to Milton Ave)

Community Engagement Forum

September 19, 2024, 5:30 PM 18 N Jackson Street, Janesville, WI







Purpose of meeting

The Purpose of today's forum is to provide the community with information and receive public feedback about both the proposed federally funded STP-Urban E Memorial Drive and Ramp Reconstruction project and the Municipal Street Improvement Supplement (MSIS) funded E Memorial Drive pavement replacement project. While both projects have separate design and funding sources, the construction timeline is currently expected to coincide in the spring/summer of 2027.

E Memorial Drive and Ramp Reconstruction

MSA Professional Services, a consulting engineering firm retained by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) and the City of Janesville, is in the process of developing plans for the reconstruction of E Memorial Drive and the associated ramps to Parker Drive (USH 51) in the City of Janesville, Rock County. The project is funded through WisDOT's Surface Transportation Program – Urban (STP-Urban) program and includes both federal and local funds. The project limits are from the eastern side of the Rock River bridge to the western side of Harding Street.



Proposed improvements to the corridor and ramps include reconstruction of the pavement structure, curb and gutter, and curb ramps. The project will incorporate safety improvements for pedestrians and at the on- and off-ramp locations. The railroad crossing will also be upgraded to include new surface panels, crossbars, and overhead railroad signals. In addition, there will be spot replacements of sidewalk, storm sewer, and lighting. Right-of-way acquisitions and temporary limited easements for curb ramp improvements and grading are anticipated. More project information for the E Memorial Drive and Ramp Reconstruction project is available on the city's website here: www.janesvillewi.gov/EMemorialDriveRamps

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E Memorial Drive Pavement Replacement

The City of Janesville received funding through the Municipal Street Improvement Supplemental (MSIS) program for improvements to the E Memorial Drive corridor from the east side of Harding Street to the Milton Avenue intersection. The design and project scope is in the early stages of development and is anticipated to include pavement replacement, new curb ramps, and replacement of water main. To improve safety, the road will have new pavement markings reducing E Memorial Drive from four-lanes to two-lanes with a two-way left-turn lane (TWLTL) in the middle to accommodate left turning vehicles. The design will be completed by the City of Janesville Engineering Division. More project information for the Memorial Drive corridor study is available on the city's website here: www.janesvillewi.gov/eastmemorialstudy



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Existing 4-lane Cross Section:



Proposed 3-Lane Section with TWLTL:







Design Schedule

The project team is currently in the preliminary design phase of preparing the construction plans. An additional public meeting may be held later in the design process if determined to be necessary.

The project schedule is as follows:

Community Engagement Forum #1: September 2024

Preliminary Plans (60%): Fall 2025
Community Engagement Forum #2 (if necessary): Fall 2025
Real Estate Acquisition Process: Winter 2025
Final Plans: Fall 2026

Construction: Spring/Summer 2027

Public comments

Participants are encouraged to speak with project representatives and ask them any questions they may have. Comment forms are available to record written comments and/or concerns. Please mail or email any written comments before October 19, 2024.

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