

North Monroe Corridor Project Public Safety



How will this project impact emergency vehicle response time?

Emergency vehicle response will not be heavily impacted by the proposed changes. Initial input from police and fire personnel has been positive regarding their ability to continue services on a 3-lane version of Monroe Street. First responders use real-time traffic data to decide how to best reach an emergency and will continue to do so. Input from emergency responders is ongoing and crucial to the scoping and design processes.



The City heard a lot of concerns about public safety and emergency vehicle response time from citizens and the 9-member Advisory Board selected by Council to help finalize the scope of this project. The Advisory Board worked with the City to select design elements at intersections that would help deliver safety requirements under grant funding while still maintaining response time.





The Advisory Board recommended the City not utilize pedestrian islands in three key intersections as part of the project. Instead, the Board recommended using pedestrian activated rapid flashing beacon lights. This approach provides safe passage for pedestrians while keeping the street free of a physical barrier for police and fire.



If you'd like to be on the project update list please e-mail us at: northmonroe@spokanecity.org Project webpage: my.spokanecity.org/projects/north-monroe-corridor-project-2018/

Design Changes: Pedestrian islands vs. flashing beacon lights