

BERGAMOT AREA FIRST/LAST MILE IMPROVEMENTS



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BACKGROUND & GUIDING PLANS



Bergamot Area Plan (2013/2023)



Bike Action Plan Amendment (2020)



Climate Action & Adaptation Plan (2019)



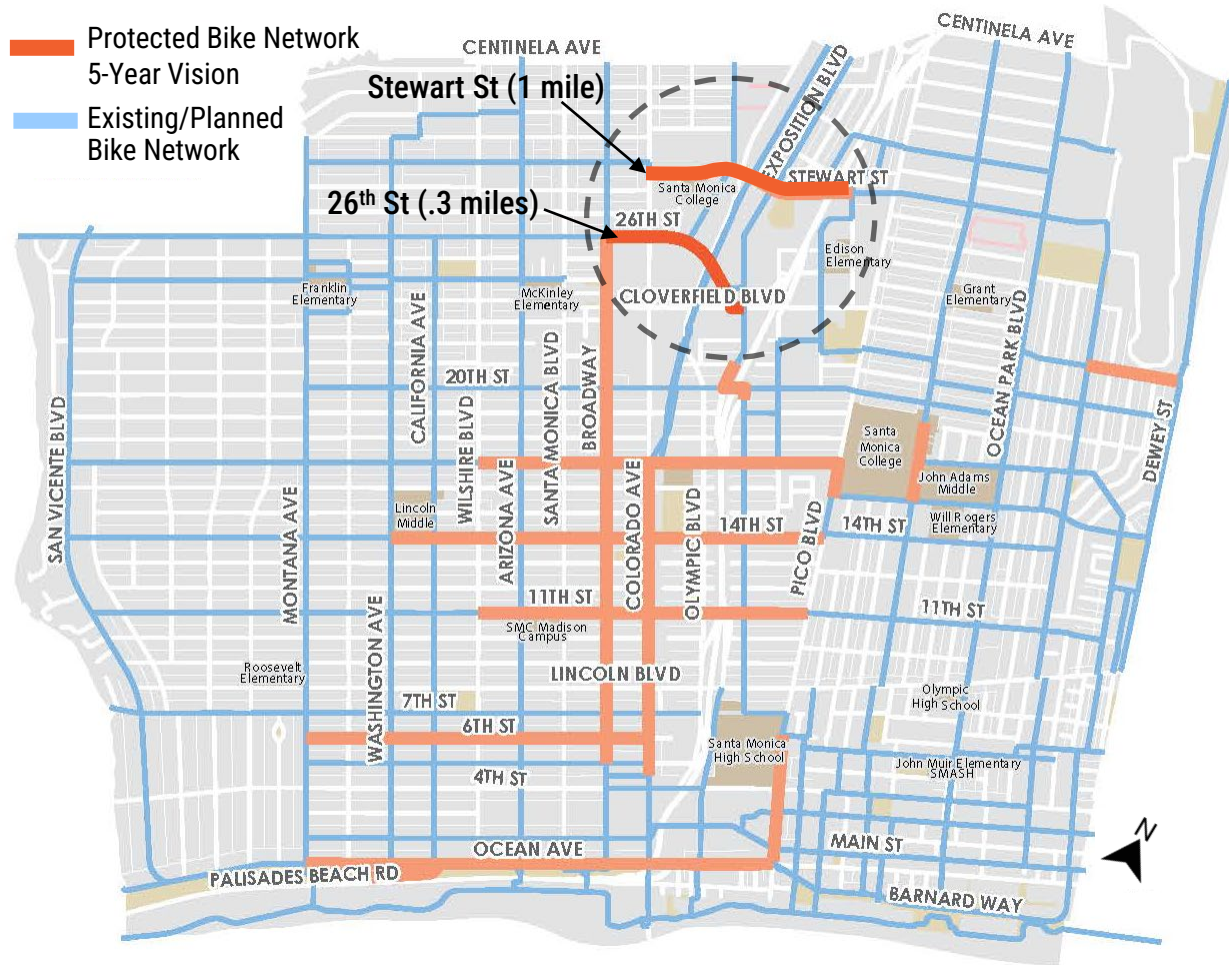
Vision Zero & Local Roadway Safety Plan (2022)



Pedestrian Action Plan (2016)

KEY CORRIDORS & INTERSECTIONS

Santa Monica Protected Bike Network 5-Year Vision



Santa Monica Priority Network (Collisions 2015-2019)



OUTREACH

Community Presentations

- 9/2013 – Bergamot Area Plan Adopted by Council
- 7/2015 – Land Use & Circulation Element Amendment
- 9/2017 – First/Last Mile Workshop Bergamot Area
- 1/23/2018 – City Council Awards Design Contract
- 11/14/2019 – Community Presentations
- 12/2/2019 – Community Presentations
- 2/20/2022 - Community Presentations
- 3/13/2024 – Pico Neighborhood Association
- 3/19/2024 – Mid-City Neighbors
- 4/2/2024 – SM Spoke

Open Houses

- 12/14/2019 Virginia Avenue Park Library Annex
- 12/18/2019 Edison Language Academy

Booths at Community Events

- 5/18/2023 – Bike to Work
- 8/1/2023 – National Night Out
- 12/2/2023 – 17th St Ribbon Cutting
- 5/16/2024 – Bike Month
- 5/18/2024 – East Pico Safety Study

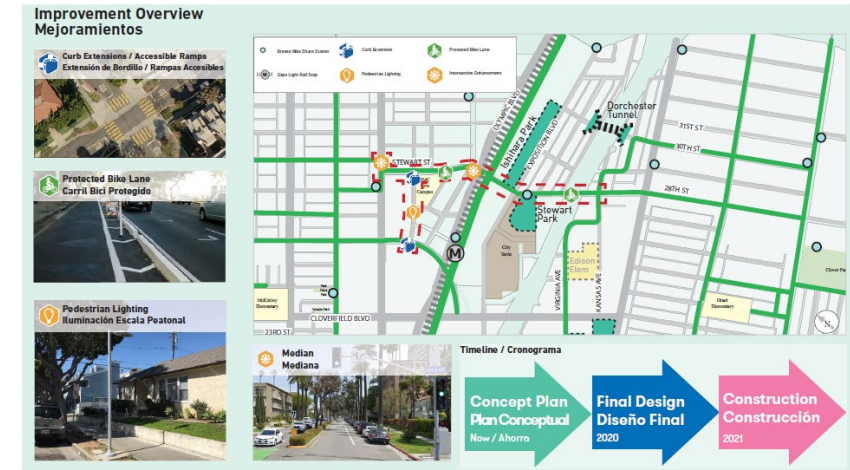
Mailers and Door-to-door

- 9/2019
- 5/2024

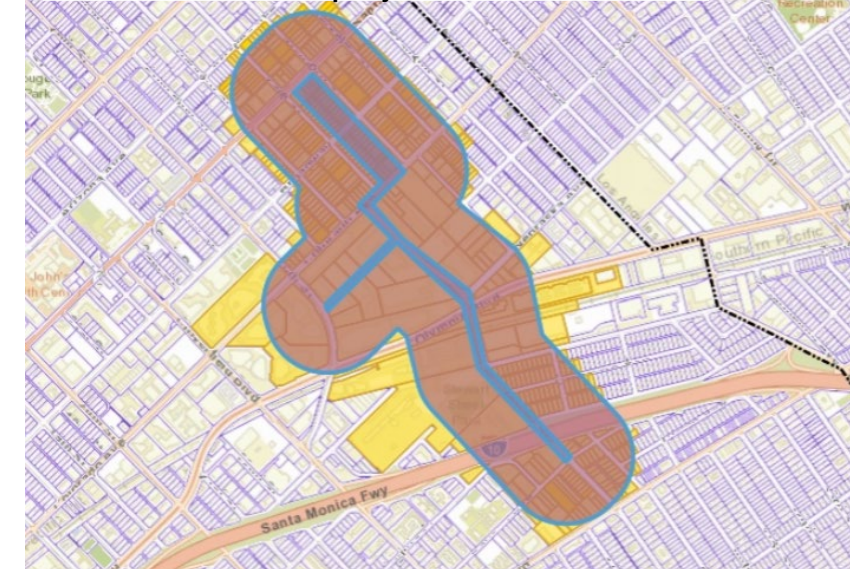
Project Website, Notices, and Flyers

Ongoing through end of construction

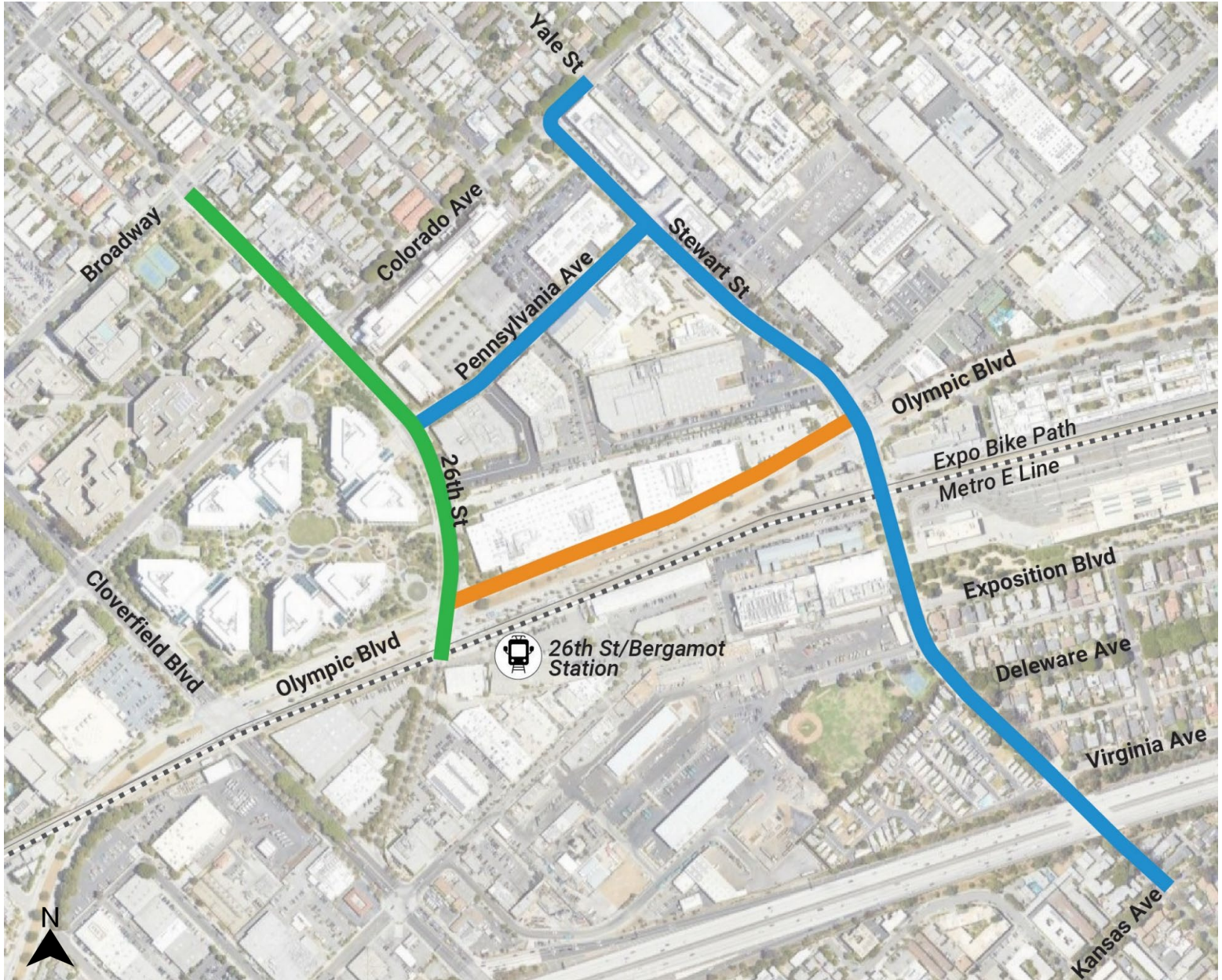
Stewart and Pennsylvania Safety Enhancement Project
Proyecto de Mejoramiento de Seguridad para la calle Stewart y Pennsylvania
Project Context / Contexto del Proyecto






Mailers sent to residents and businesses within 750 feet of project area



KEY CORRIDORS



Bergamot Area First/Last Mile Improvements

-  Olympic Blvd from 26th St to Stewart St (.3 miles)
-  26th St from Olympic Blvd to Broadway (.3 miles)
-  Stewart St from Colorado Ave to Kansas Ave;
Colorado Ave from Stewart St to Yale St;
Pennsylvania Ave from 26th St to Stewart St (1 mile)

A NEED FOR HIGH QUALITY INFRASTRUCTURE

Parked cars in bike lanes block bicyclists and scooter users, forcing unsafe conditions



Broadway & 19th St

Drivers destroy plastic bollards



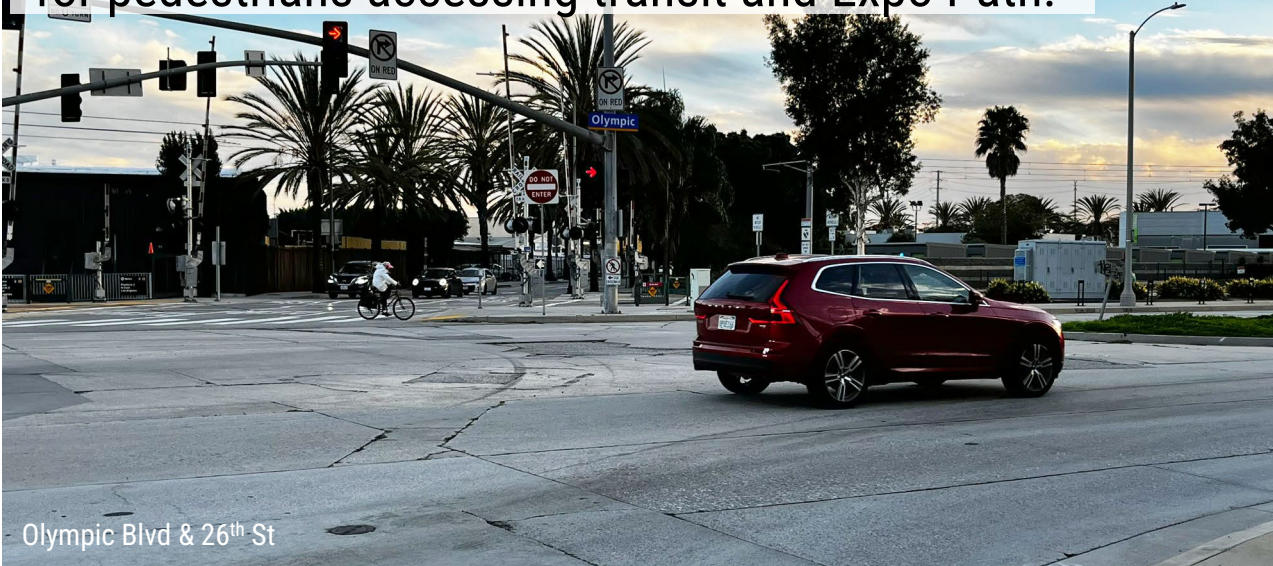
Ocean Ave & Colorado Blvd

Moving cars next to regular bike lanes create high stress networks



Ocean Park Blvd & Lincoln Blvd

Missing crosswalk and sidewalk creates a barrier for pedestrians accessing transit and Expo Path.



Olympic Blvd & 26th St

Illegal maneuvers and poor visibility.



Stewart St & Nebraska Ave

Gaps in bike network force riders to compete for space among moving vehicles and unpredictable turns.



Colorado Ave & Yale St

Sidewalk gaps force pedestrians to navigate unstable conditions or to walk in the street.



Pennsylvania Ave between Stewart St & 26th St

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NEXT
STEPS



OLYMPIC BLVD FROM 26TH ST TO STEWART ST

PROJECT ELEMENTS



New Sidewalk, Trees, & Street Lights

The project will construct a new 7' sidewalk where there is not one today to close gaps in the pedestrian network and reduce barriers for people walking and rolling to/from the Metro train station and the surrounding employment area. In addition, thirty-two (32) trees and ten (10) streetlights will be installed.



Close Slip Lane

The project will modify the northeast corner of Olympic Blvd and 26th St to remove the channelized right turn or slip lane. This will reduce speeds for turning vehicles and improve sightlines.

26TH ST FROM OLYMPIC BLVD TO BROADWAY

PROJECT ELEMENTS



Protected Bicycle Lane

Concrete barriers will be installed to create a protected bike lane on 26th St from Olympic Blvd to Broadway, eventually forming a connected network to the future Broadway protected bike lanes from 5th to 26th and to the Expo Bike Path.



Leading Pedestrian Interval (LPI)

Traffic signal timing adjustments such as an LPI will be implemented at signalized intersections to give pedestrians the opportunity to enter an intersection a few seconds before vehicles are given a green indication. With this head start, pedestrians can better establish their presence in the crosswalk and are more visible to motorists which improves yielding compliance.



Bike Box & Turn Restrictions

A bike box will be installed on 26th St and Broadway for northbound travel to make space for bicyclists and scooter users to have a head start through the intersection while drivers wait behind the stop line. A bike box also helps bicyclists and scooter users be more visible, helps with making left turns, and avoids right hook-type crashes. Drivers will be precluded from turning right on red at the southeast corner.

STEWART ST & PENNSYLVANIA AVE

PROJECT ELEMENTS



Protected Bicycle Lane

Concrete barriers will be installed on Stewart St from Colorado Ave to the I-10 freeway underpass to create a protected bike lane. The section between Delaware Ave and Kansas Avenue will be protected only on the west side; the east side will remain as is. This design increases traffic safety and provides low-stress bike connections in the area making cycling appealing to riders of all ages and abilities.

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Bicycle Signal

Two bicycle signals will be added at Stewart St/Colorado Ave and at Stewart St/Olympic Blvd. The signals will provide an exclusive phase for cyclists and scooter users to cross at the intersection.

STEWART ST & PENNSYLVANIA AVE

DESIGN ELEMENTS OF THE BIKE LANE



23rd St & Marine St

Plastic Bollards (K71s)

Plastic bollards will be installed along Colorado Ave from Stewart St to Yale St.



17th St & Colorado Ave

Concrete Curb

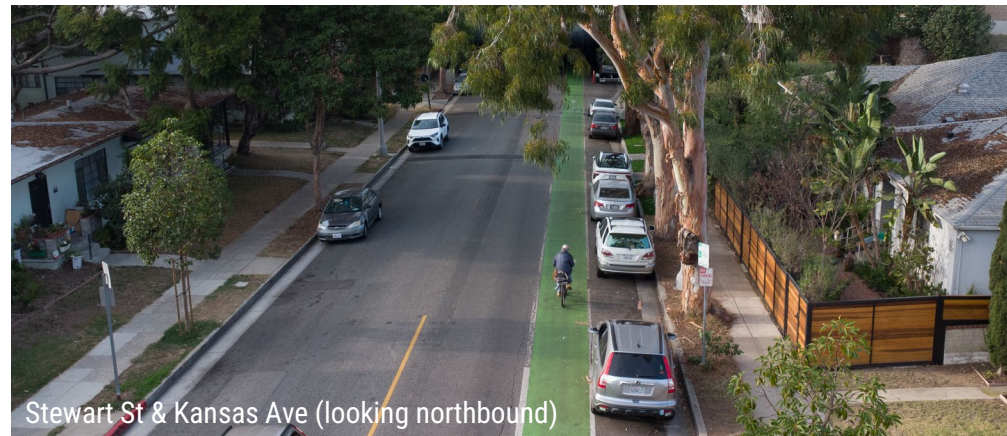
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Stewart St & Kansas Ave - rendering

Sidewalk Level

West side only - Raised facility from Virginia Ave to Kansas Ave.



Stewart St & Kansas Ave (looking northbound)

Standard Bicycle Lane

East side only - Existing facility from Delaware Ave to Kansas Ave will remain as is, with no barrier installation.

STEWART ST & PENNSYLVANIA AVE

PROJECT ELEMENTS



Colorado Ave & Yale St



Ocean Ave & Colorado Ave



Stewart St & Nebraska Ave

Bike Gap Closure & Turn Restrictions

Bicyclists will have a dedicated left turn to connect to Yale St. Left turns from Colorado Ave onto Yale St will be restricted for drivers. The existing crosswalk at Colorado Ave and Yale St will be removed to reduce conflicts and decision points that need to be made within this tight space.

Bus Boarding Island

Two bus boarding islands will be installed on Stewart St; one near Colorado Ave and one near Pennsylvania Ave for southbound and northbound buses. Bus operators will stop in-lane with traffic to load/unload passengers. This design improves transit efficiency and eliminates bus/bike conflicts.

Curb Extension & Turn Restrictions

A curb extension will be added on the south corner of Nebraska Ave to shorten crossing distance, reduce pedestrian exposure to moving vehicles, and reduce turning speeds; a right-turn only sign will also be installed on Nebraska Ave.

A 5' center median will be installed on Stewart St to prevent left-turns out of and into Nebraska Ave.

STEWART ST & PENNSYLVANIA AVE

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Existing - Stewart St & Kansas Ave



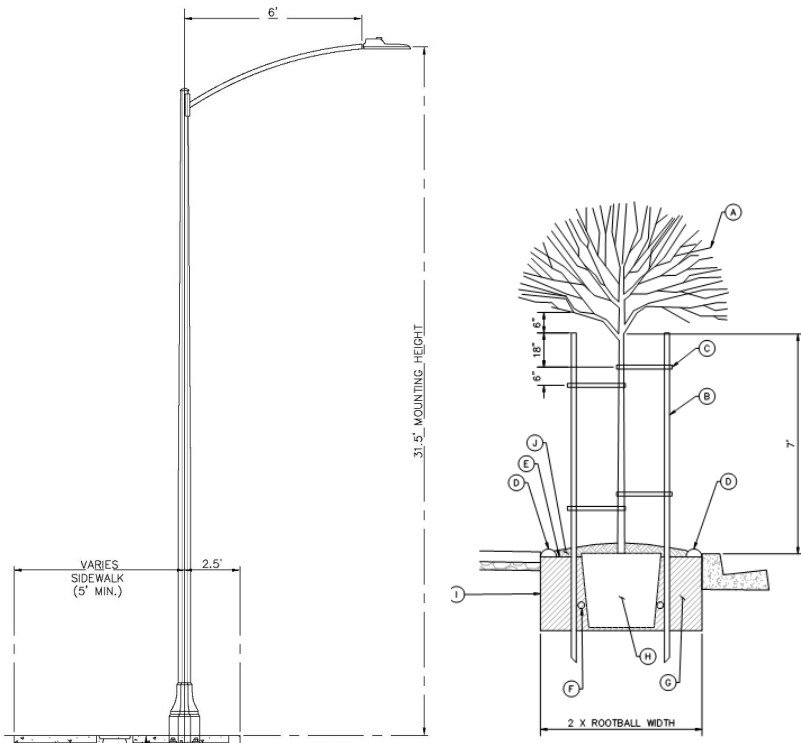
Planned - Stewart St & Kansas Ave

Sidewalk Level Bicycle Facility

A short section, about 240 feet, from the I-10 freeway underpass to Kansas Ave, will be raised to sidewalk level on the west side only. The 8-foot-wide bicycle path will contain signage and bike markings to clarify the space allocated for bicyclists and scooter. The project terminates at Kansas Ave, connecting users to nearby schools, parks, and the Michigan Ave Neighborhood Greenway (MANGO).

STEWART ST & PENNSYLVANIA AVE

PROJECT ELEMENTS



Install Lighting & Street Trees

Twenty (20) new trees and nineteen (19) new street and pedestrian light poles will be installed along Pennsylvania Ave. between 26th St and Stewart St.





New Sidewalk

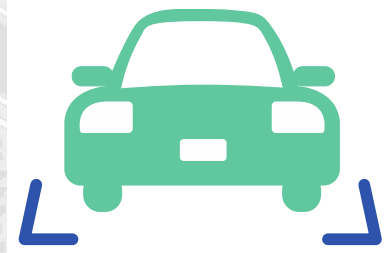
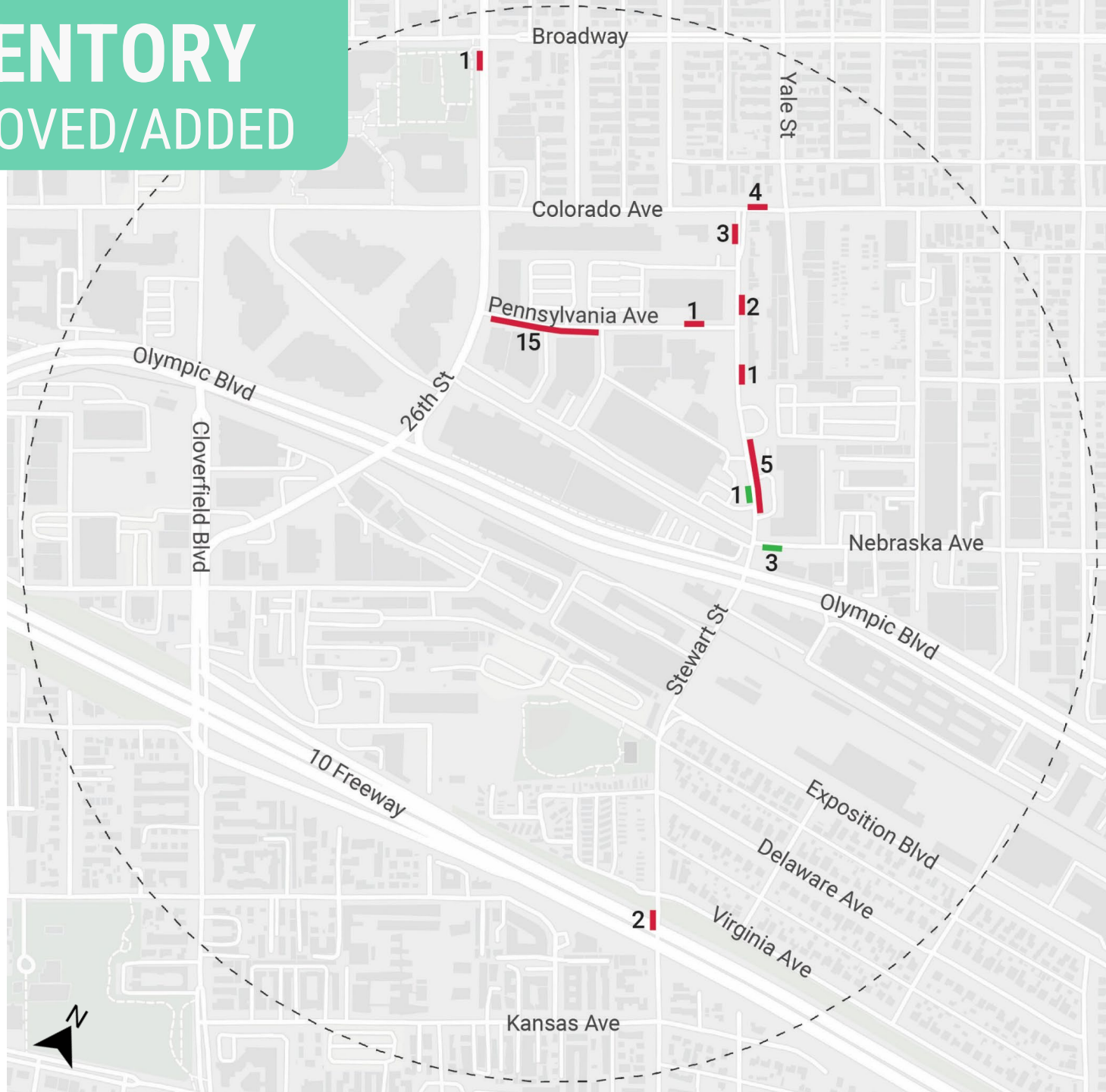
A new sidewalk, ranging from 5' to 15' wide, will be constructed on Pennsylvania Ave. between 26th St. and Stewart St. where there is not one today.

Parking on the south side of Pennsylvania Ave will be removed to accommodate the new sidewalk which will provide a safe path of travel for people walking and bicycling to/from work, home, Santa Monica College, Metro E Line, and Expo Bike Path.

PARKING INVENTORY

SPACES TO BE REMOVED/ADDED

-  Parking space removed
-  Parking space added



LOADING & ACCESS



Loading Access

Loading zones will be maintained. Identify if there is new demand and deter potentially dangerous and illegal parking activity such as double parking, bike lane obstruction or parking in red zones.



ADA Needs

Ensure access for individuals with disabilities per the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).



Emergency and Street Services

Design review and coordination with internal departments to ensure access for emergency vehicles, trash pickup, and street sweeping.

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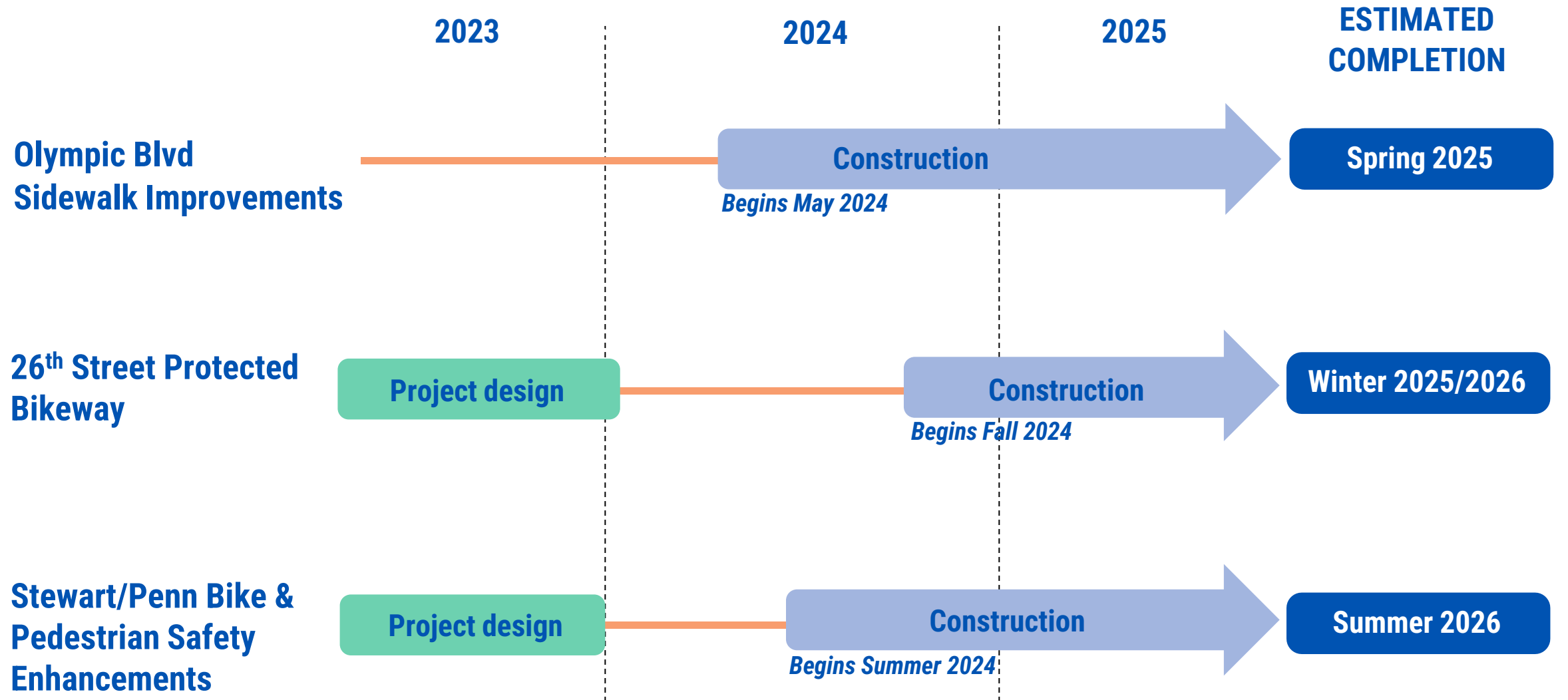
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Schedule may be subject to change.

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