OF AUG

Austin Transportation Department

P.O. Box 1088 Austin, TX 78767

November 5, 2015 To Stakeholder, Property Owner, or Resident:

The Austin Transportation Department (ATD) and the Public Works Department are partnering to implement and improve a bicycle route system, as directed by the Austin City Council per City Ordinance No. 20141106-118 (The Austin Bicycle Plan). Lakeshore Boulevard from Riverside Drive to Pleasant Valley Road is an identified bicycle route in the Austin Bicycle Plan. You are receiving this notification because you live on and/or own property adjacent to Lakeshore Boulevard in Austin, Texas or are otherwise registered as a stakeholder in the area.

Usted está recibiendo esta notificación porque vive cerca de Lakeshore Boulevard, es dueño de propiedad cerca de Lakeshore Boulevard, o es parte interesada de Lakeshore Boulevard en Austin, Texas. Si necesita un documento traducido en español, llame a (512) 974-7092.

Lakeshore Boulevard, as indicated in Figure 1, is in the process of undergoing routine street maintenance (resurfacing). By coordinating with this resurfacing, the Austin Transportation Department (ATD) has the opportunity to modify the street striping with little to no effect on project cost and duration. ATD is assessing restriping options that could improve safety and mobility for all road users.

In order to add bicycle lanes on Lakeshore Boulevard, on-street motor vehicle parking will be prohibited at certain locations as listed below and in Figure 1.

Lakeshore Boulevard (from Riverside Drive to Pleasant Valley Road) – prohibit parking on the south side
of the street.

Figure 1 – Lakeshore Boulevard Project Area

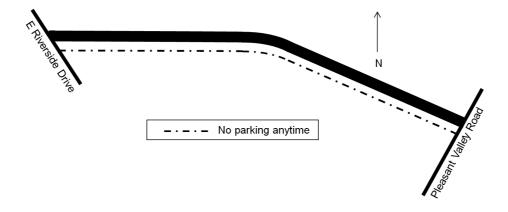
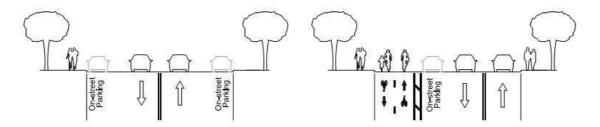


Figure 2 – Typical Cross Sections for Lakeshore Boulevard

Existing Proposed



Typical proposed striping along Lakeshore Boulevard will have a two-way protected bikeway and a parking lane on the north side of the street as shown in Figure 2. Special design consideration will be given to improved pedestrian crossings in response to numerous requests from citizens. Parking will be prohibited near intersections on the north side of the street to accommodate bus stops and pedestrian crossings. Examples of similar projects that have been implemented in other parts of Austin are shown below in Figures 3a and 3b. Protected bicycle lanes are used to provide more separation between road users in order to improve predictability and comfort for all users of the street.

Figure 3a – Two-Way Protected Bicycle Lane on Bluebonnet Lane, Austin TX



Figure 3b – Shared Use Path on Arroyo Seco, Austin TX



In order to ensure the most appropriate allocation of street space, ATD is seeking feedback from local residents and other users of this street prior to determining final plans. You can obtain additional information about this mobility project and provide feedback at an open house on Monday, November 16th, 2015, from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the Montopolis Recreation Center, Room 2, 1200 Montopolis Drive, Austin, TX 78741. Feedback based on local experience frequently results in improvements to initial project proposals. If necessary, modifications to this proposal can be made after input received at the open house. If you cannot attend this open house and have questions or comments, please contact Alison Mills at 974-7166 or alison.mills@austintexas.gov.

Lee Austin, P.E.
Area Engineer, Central Austin
Traffic Management Division
Transportation Department | City of Austin
Phone (512) 974-7681 | Fax (512) 974-7101
Lee.austin@austintexas.gov | www.cityofaustin.org

Laura Dierenfield
Active Transportation Program Manager
Transportation Department | City of Austin

(512) 974-7189

laura.dierenfield@austintexas.gov