

CONNECTING MILLAR AVENUE

WALKING AND CYCLING IMPROVEMENT



ABOUT THE PROJECT



The City of Saskatoon is preparing a design for **walking and cycling improvements** on Millar Avenue from 43rd Street East to Marquis Drive and on 43rd Street East between Millar Avenue and the CN Railway pedestrian crossing.



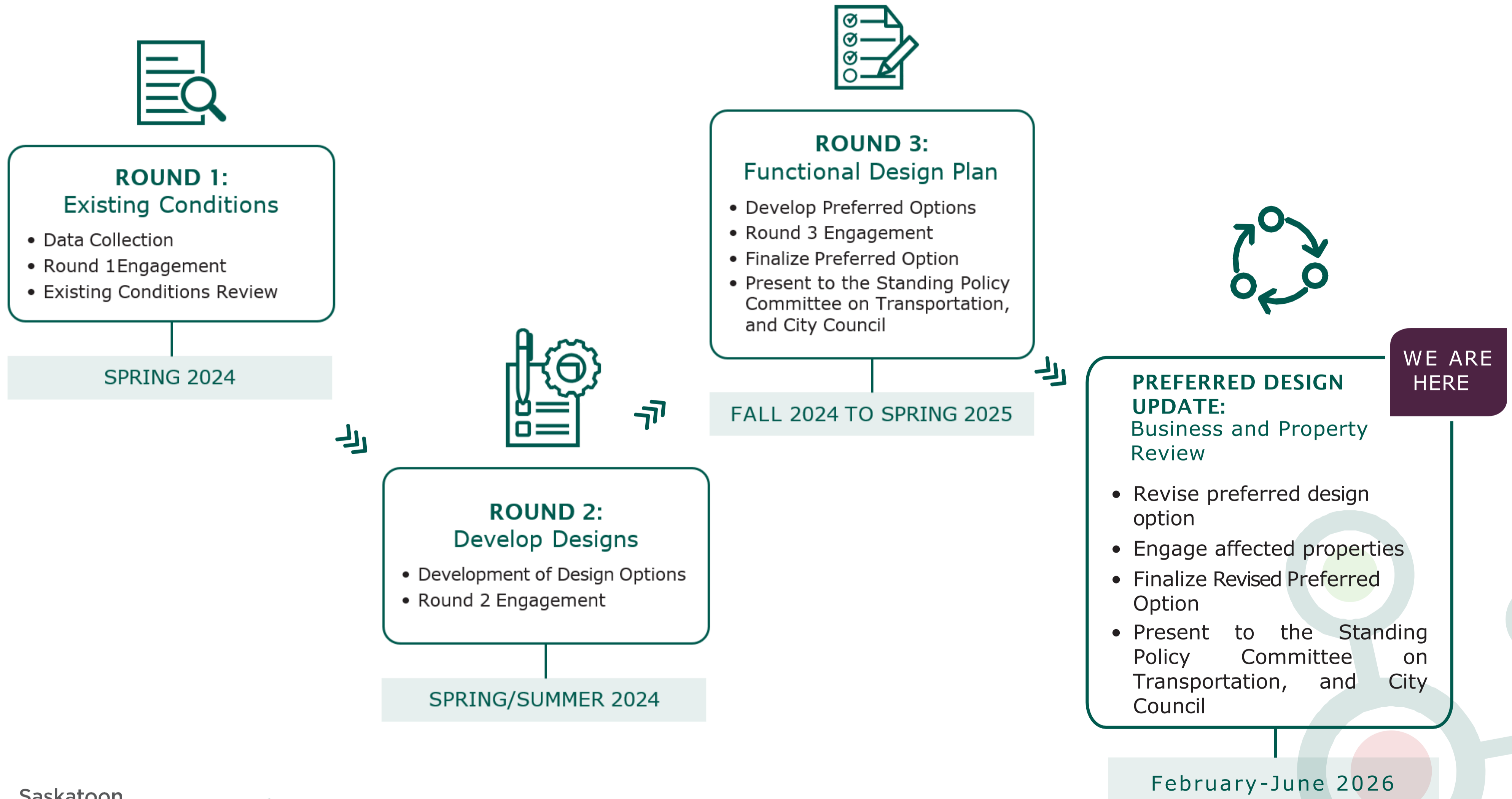
The addition of **pathways and/or sidewalks** along Millar Avenue and 43rd Street will improve safety for all users.



This project supports the **Active Transportation (AT) Plan's** implementation strategy of having shelf-ready projects.

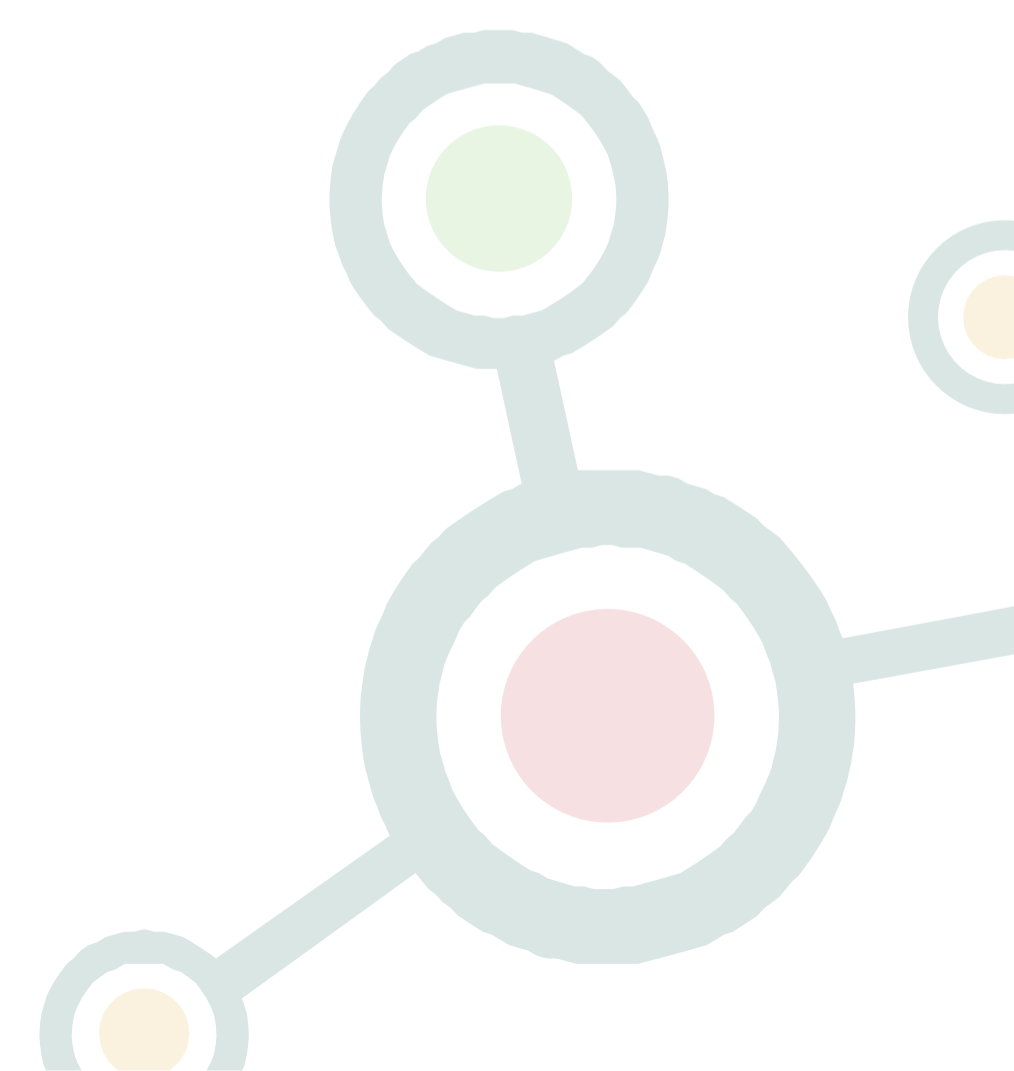
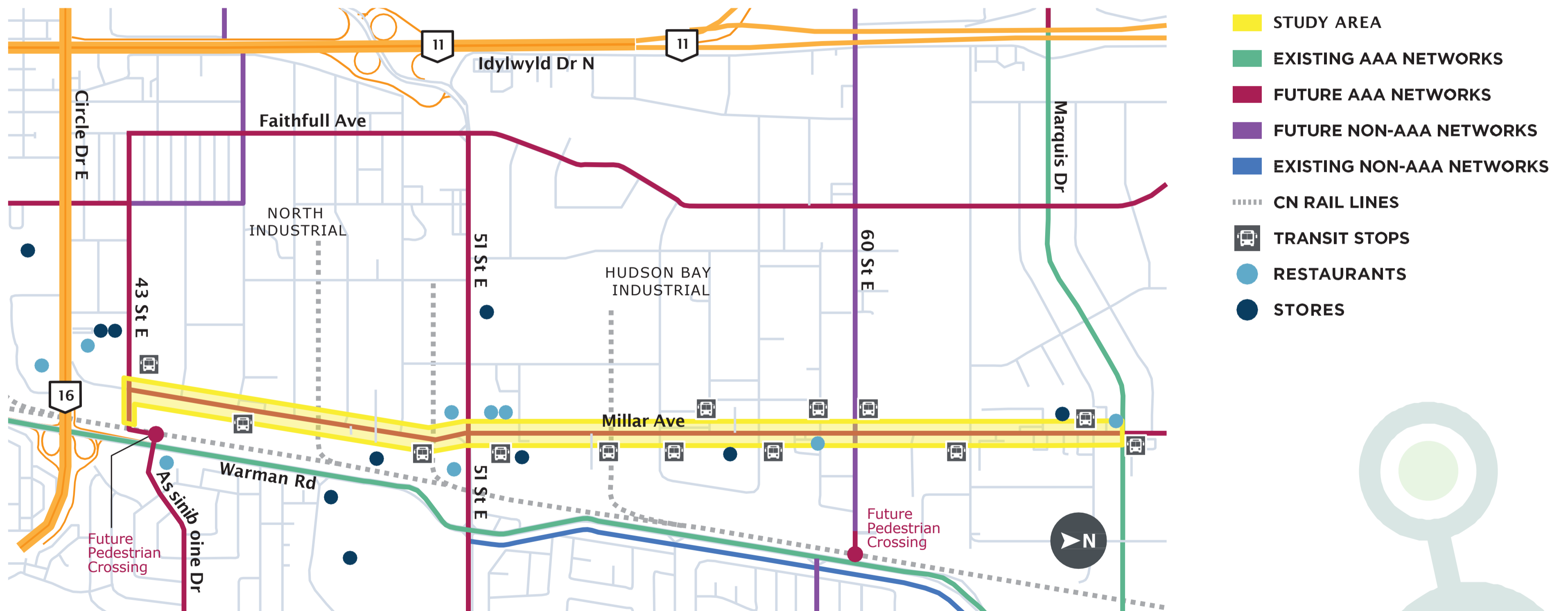


PROJECT SCHEDULE AND SCOPE



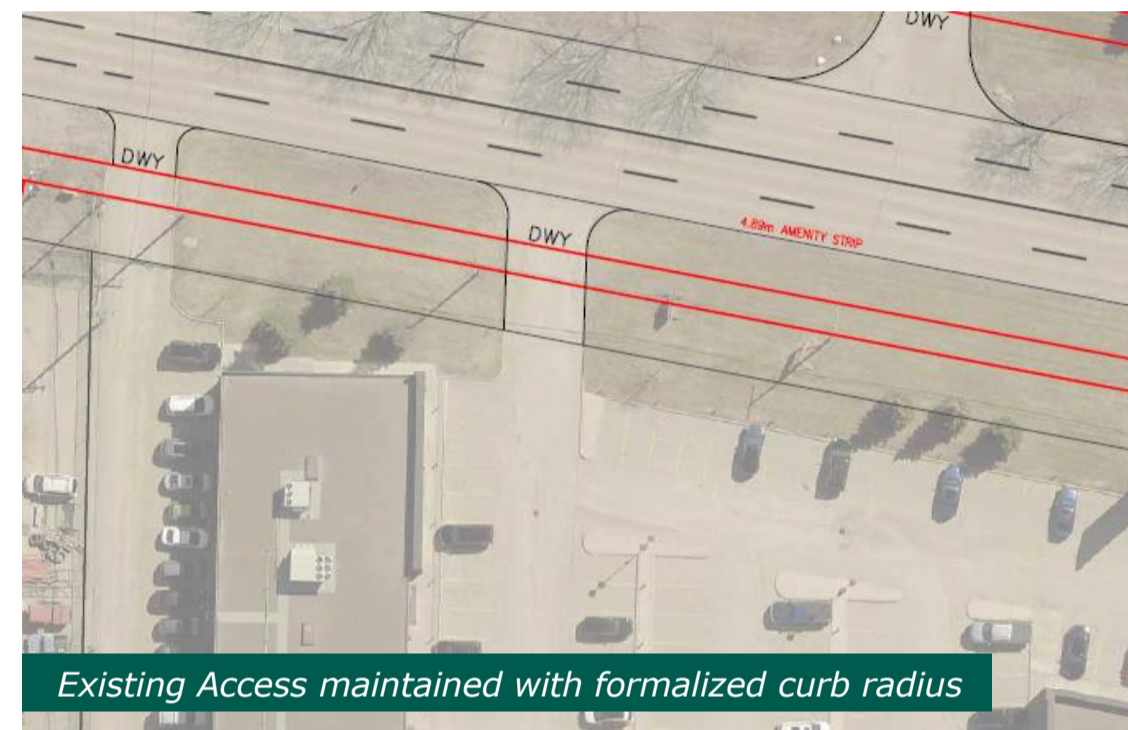
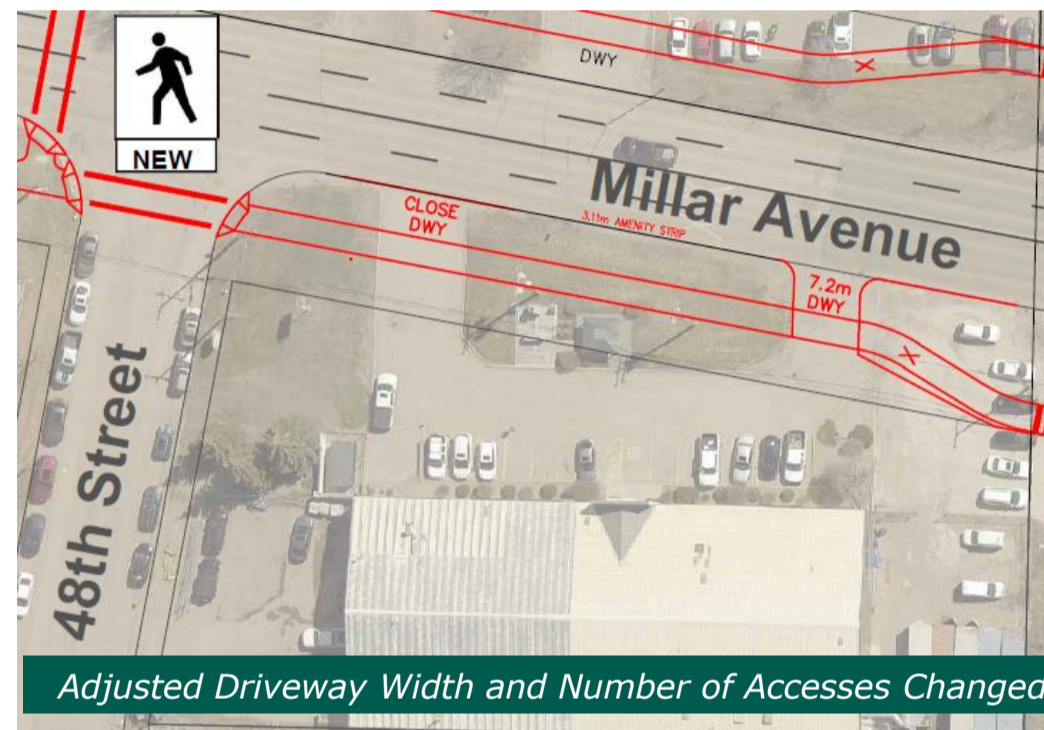
STUDY AREA MAP

The project area is along Millar Avenue from 43rd Street East to Marquis Drive, and 43rd Street East from Millar Avenue to the CN railway crossing.



DRIVEWAY CONSIDERATIONS

Public feedback identified driveway crossings as a major design consideration. Crossing considerations for driveway crossings may include the following adjustments:



Crossing Materials

Driveway crossings will be enhanced with distinct finishes to improve crossing safety by increasing visibility and signaling priority for pedestrians.

Number of Driveways

The number of driveways were adjusted as required to meet City standards and reduce number of the conflict point while still accommodating site requirements.

Driveway Access Widths

The widths of some driveways were adjusted as required to meet City standards and reduce length of the conflict point while still accommodating traffic flows.

Changes to the driveway crossings will be refined during detailed design and in consultation with applicable property owners.



PATHWAY DEFLECTIONS

Public feedback identified impact to trees and existing off-street parking as a major design consideration. Pathway alignment includes deflections to minimize impact to utilities, trees, driveway crossings, and off-street parking.

Tapered Deflections

Pathway deflections are kept to a minimum to ensure a safe accessible route for pathway users with low-vision.

Parking Impacts

Where possible, the pathway alignment deflects around areas where private property has existing parking encroachments on public right-of-way.

New leases/agreements will be required to formalize existing encroachments of private use on public right-of-way.

Reduced Amenity Strip

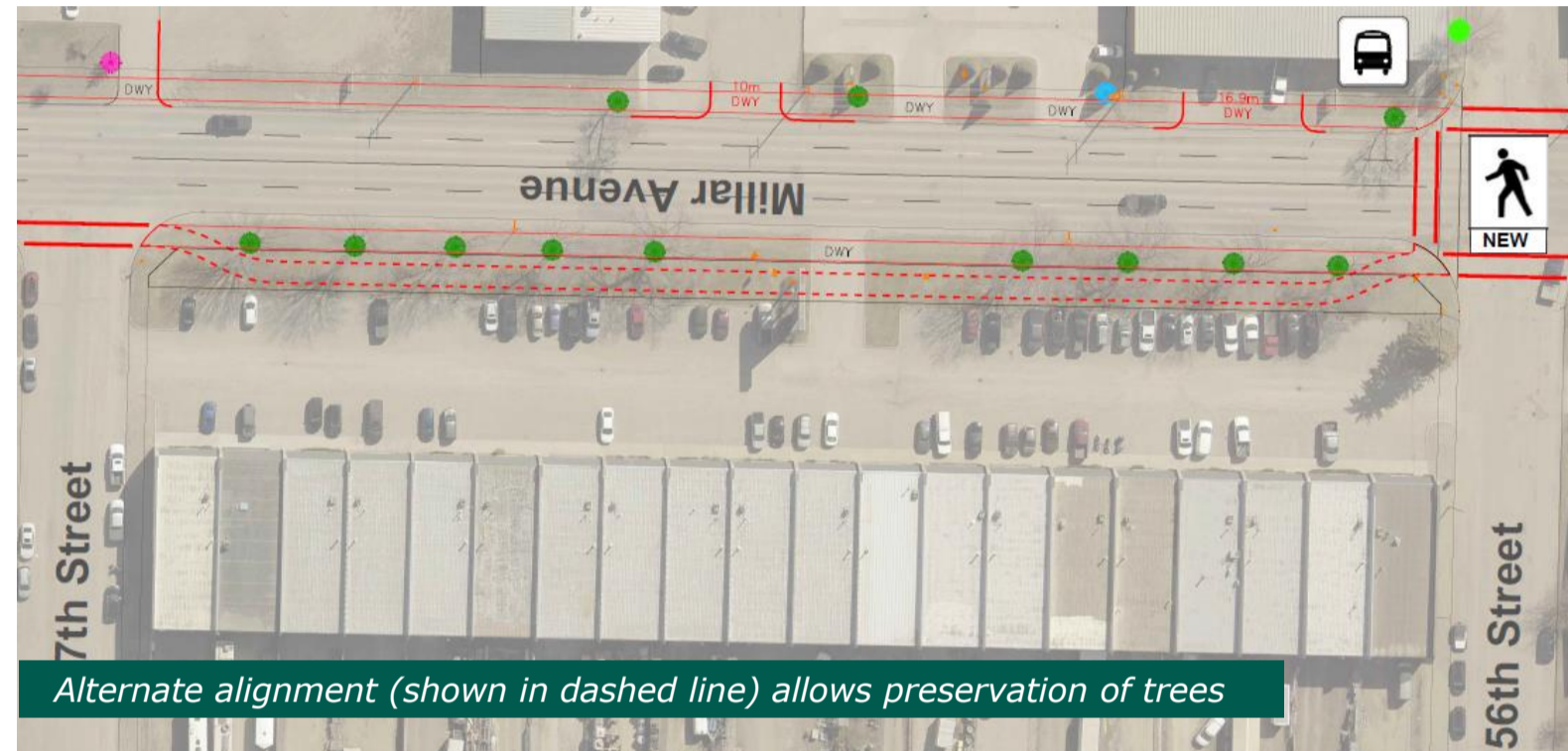
The original preferred alignment maximized the amenity space to increase safety and comfort for pathway users and to provide additional space for future tree planting.

The revised design includes a reduction in amenity space in some areas to minimize impacts to off-street parking and existing trees.



ALTERNATE ALIGNMENTS

To preserve additional public and private trees, an alternative alignment is proposed:



Tree Impacts

Several of the trees impacted by the project are planted on private property. Alternative pathway alignments may be possible if property acquisition is possible to minimize impacts to existing trees. These alignments could save XX Private Trees and YY Public Trees, ZZ Private Trees would require relocation.

Property Acquisition

To consider these alternate alignments, land acquisition would be required. These alternatives are only considered where there is sufficient space in green space/boulevard on private property. Alternative alignments were not considered on properties where hardscaping would make this less desirable by properties and more costly for the City.

These alternative alignments will only be possible if the adjacent the property owner is interested in negotiating land purchase by the City or land dedication to the City.



COST ESTIMATE

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Recommendations

- Shared-use pathways on both sides of Millar Avenue
- Sidewalk on one side and shared-use pathway on the other side of 43rd Street East

Estimated Cost

\$9,100,000

The estimated cost:

- Excludes cost of land acquisition.
- Excludes the improvements at the intersection of 51st Street and Millar Avenue.
- High level cost estimate with +/-30% variance.



HAVE YOUR SAY!


Feedback can be provided through the online survey, by **phone, email or mail** using the information below.






Please complete the online survey
before April 13, 2026.



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Thank you for your feedback! Your feedback, along with design standards, best practices, objectives, and technical feasibility will be used by the City to finalize the design plan.

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