LET'S TALK HUDSON COMMENTS

Q Residents on the west side of Stow Rd have used the gravel shoulder for street parking. While this has not occupied the road itself, it has partially obstructed the bike lane. With a sidewalk and a curb taking up that space, parking will inevitably be pushed into the street creating a traffic hazard, especially in the dark, on a road that many people drive well over the speed limit. In 10 years of living on Stow Rd, I have never observed street parking occurring on the east side of the street.

SarahCT asked,

17 days ago

Please provide a location where the on-street parking is generating an obstruction to the bike lane so that City staff can further review. The new sidewalk/trail will be installed within the public right-of-way with the back of the sidewalk/trail being approximately 1 ft from the property line. This will allow for a buffer of 6-9 ft between the sidewalk and the road, depending on the sidewalk width and not impacting the roadway edge and berm area. The City will monitor the corridor for on-street parking issues and other safety concerns before/after construction. Should on-street parking create a safety concern, the City can then review implementing parking restrictions as warranted.

Q Thank you for changing the sidewalk to the west side of the street. This will get much more use! Will this project result in changes to the existing bike lanes / break down lanes on the road, or will all space for the sidewalk be from the yards of the houses currently located on the west side of the road?

skimejon asked,

17 days ago

No changes to the existing bike lanes/breakdown lanes are anticipated. The sidewalk will be installed within the public right-of-way with the back of the sidewalk/trail being approximately 1 ft from the property line. This will allow for a buffer of 6-9 ft between the sidewalk and the road, depending on the sidewalk/trail width.

Q Will there be any physical barriers between Stow Rd. and the sidewalk to protect pedestrians?

HLitowitz asked, about 2 months ago

The recommended offset between the road edge and sidewalk is a minimum of six (6) feet. Where possible, without negative impacts to private property, the City will exceed this dimension and create a larger greenspace between the new sidewalk and roadway. Where the sidewalk is placed less than six (6) feet from the roadway, curb or other treatment will be installed.

Q The sidewalk should be installed on the west side of Stow rd to connect Ravenna and 303. Putting the sidewalk on the east side makes no sense at all.

Tony asked, about 2 months ago

Thank you for sharing your input. This Thursday, November 7th, there will be a public meeting from 5:30 to 7:30 pm in the Lower Level of City Hall to gather further feedback. We hope you can join us.