



Austin Transportation Department

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To Stakeholder, Property Owner, or Resident:

Give Input on Proposed Street Improvements

Steck Avenue, from Mopac to Burnet Road, is being evaluated for improvements to enhance the safety and mobility of everyone who uses the street. You are receiving this notification because you live on and/or own property adjacent to Steck Avenue in Austin, Texas or are otherwise registered with the City as a stakeholder in the area.

Steck Avenue, de Mopac a Burnet Rd., se está evaluando para mejoramientos a la seguridad y movilidad de todos los usuarios de la calle. Usted está recibiendo esta notificación porque vive cerca de Steck Ave., es dueño de propiedad cerca de Steck Ave., o es parte interesada de Steck Ave. en Austin, Texas. Si necesita un documento traducido en español, llame a (512) 974-7092.

Steck Ave. is a street that serves east-west access in the North Shoal Creek neighborhood and is an identified bicycle route per Council per City Ordinance No. 20141106-118 (The Austin Bicycle Master Plan). Steck Ave. is also a bus route served by Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Cap Metro). A process to create a North Shoal Creek neighborhood plan is currently underway. Comments from the community show a desire for improved pedestrian and bicycle safety along and across Steck Ave.

The Austin Transportation Department (ATD) works to provide improved street designs to make Austin travel safer for everyone. Between Mopac and Burnet Rd., a total of 5 crashes involving a person walking or biking in the last 6 years on Steck Ave. To protect all people who use the street, as part of this project, ATD is proposing safety enhancements that are expected to improve crossings for people walking and improve comfort and safety for people traveling by bicycle.

How to Provide Input

ATD is seeking feedback from people who use this street. City staff are hosting an event to explain the project, listen, and address any concerns. ATD will then revisit the project design, making sure concerns identified are substantively addressed before determining final plans.

Project Open House | Casa Abierta del Proyecto
Thursday, March 30, Arrive any time between 5:30 and 6:30 PM
North Village Branch Library, 2505 Steck Avenue, Austin, TX, 78757

For more information or to provide input by the date above, you may also contact the project designer at Mike.Schofield@austintexas.gov. Or phone 512/974-7834.

Bicycle Facilities Proposed:

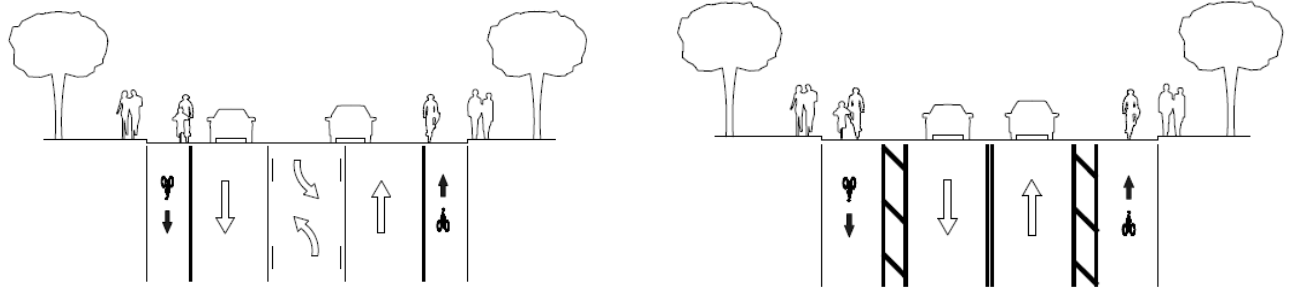
The City of Austin is looking to improve this identified bicycle route to become an all ages and abilities route, meaning it provides a high level of comfort and safety for people riding a bike.

Proposed improvements include:

- **Steck Avenue** (from N. Mopac Expressway NB frontage road to Burnet Road) – Reconfigured to include buffered bike lanes. The typical cross section design proposed for this section is shown in Figure 2.

Figure 1 – Typical Existing Cross Section for Steck Ave.

Figure 2 – Typical Proposed Cross Section for Steck Ave.*



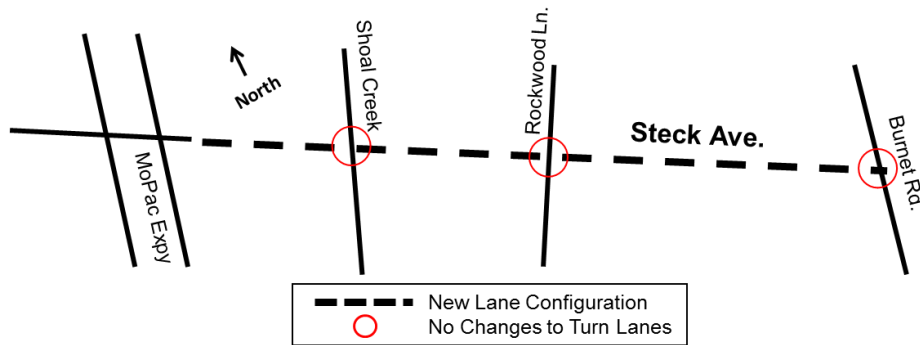
**Left turn lane will remain where needed to facilitate turning movements.*

Pedestrian Facilities Proposed:

ATD is looking to improve this street for people walking by improving pedestrian crossings. Approximately 10 existing crosswalks would be upgraded for visibility and crossing distances are proposed to be shortened as a result of adding buffered bike lanes.

Lane Configuration Changes Proposed: In order to provide for shorter pedestrian crossings and bicycle facilities on Steck Ave., existing travel lanes are proposed to be modified. An analysis of turning movements was used to determine these proposed modifications. Turn lanes would be retained at the intersections of Shoal Creek Blvd., Rockwood Lane, and Burnet Road in order to facilitate traffic flow, as shown in Figure 3 below. The remaining extent of this project would have buffered bicycle lanes with no center left turn lane. Analysis has shown that this configuration could be installed without negatively impacting motor vehicle operations.

Figure 3 – Steck Avenue Project Area



Sincerely,

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