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Update: Downtown East-West Bicycle Connectivity

A Note from Street Transportation Director, Kini Knudson

Thank you for sharing feedback with the city of Phoenix Street Transportation department regarding downtown east-west bicycle connectivity. I know your time is valuable and would like to express that your participation in this process was and is vital and appreciated.

I am writing to share an update on Roosevelt Street from 7th to Central Avenues. Before moving forward with permanent traffic lane striping, a temporary trial of the Option A configuration will be installed as presented. Option A includes dedicated bicycle lanes for the majority of Roosevelt Street, wherever the width of the street allows.

Traffic lane striping crews will install permanent striping on sections of the street that are consistent with all three presented options for Roosevelt Street (A, B and C). Then, they will use temporary materials to install the remainder of the traffic lane striping consistent with Option A. The work is currently scheduled as follows:

- Pavement maintenance work is scheduled to begin the week of November 18.
- Preparation work will be done at the beginning of the week, requiring traffic restrictions.
- Paving activity will take place the weekend of November 22 through 24. At times, this work will require a full closure of Roosevelt Street from 7th to Central Avenues.
- Traffic lane striping also requires a full closure and will take place on December
 7. Temporary barricades will be in place until the striping work is complete.

This trial will be conducted for 30 calendar days. During the trial, we will actively monitor the new striping configuration and collect data to determine if it meets the needs of all roadway users.

The city of Phoenix encourages all users of this corridor – people who walk, bike or drive – to submit feedback during the trial period by emailing bike@phoenix.gov. Your feedback is important in the evaluation of the trial period.

In the weeks following the trial, staff will evaluate the data collected and user feedback received. The temporary striping will remain in place during our evaluation. We will then



decide on and implement the permanent striping configuration for the portions of Roosevelt Street that received temporary striping.

Installing and upgrading bicycle and multimodal infrastructure is a priority for the City of Phoenix. A downtown east-west bicycle lane connection is an important addition to our transportation landscape. The outcome of the trial traffic lane striping on Roosevelt Street will be shared to the <u>project webpage</u> a few weeks after the trial period has ended.

Thank you again for your participation and patience in this project.

Have a safe weekend,

Kini Knudson

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