Project background

- Hennepin County will reconstruct Minnetonka Boulevard (County Road 5) between Highway 100 and France Avenue in St. Louis Park.
- The existing roadway hasn't been reconstructed since 1952 and is nearing the end of its lifecycle.
- The county and its partners are developing a • plan for the corridor to better serve current and future users.
- Design is currently underway and will be completed in 2023.

Next steps

The project team will present the preferred alternative at a public hearing and aim to reach municipal consent. The city will begin to adopt the improvements in November, with construction set to begin in spring of 2024.



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Engagement summary: phase 1

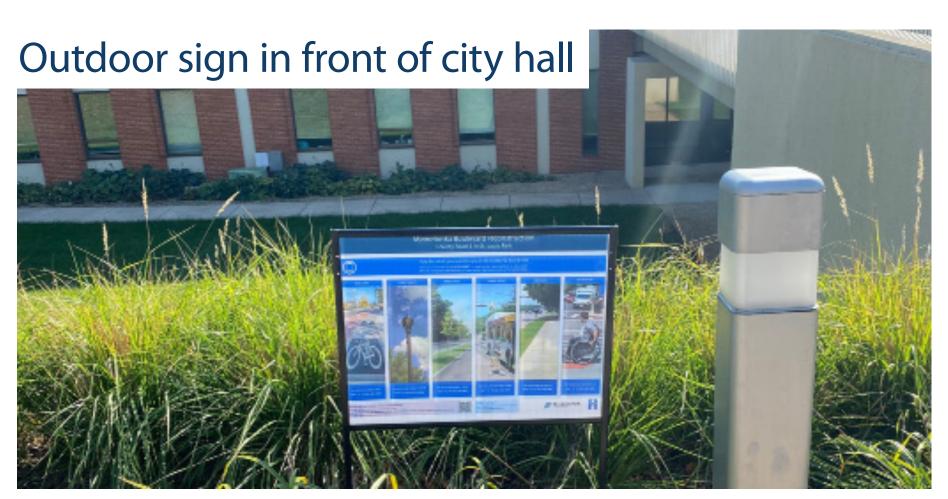
From May 2021-September 2021, we went out into the community, posted signage and decals, sent out a mailing with a survey, and offered an online commenting map to hear from as many stakeholders as possible. We used the input gathered from the public to create different improvement options for the corridor.

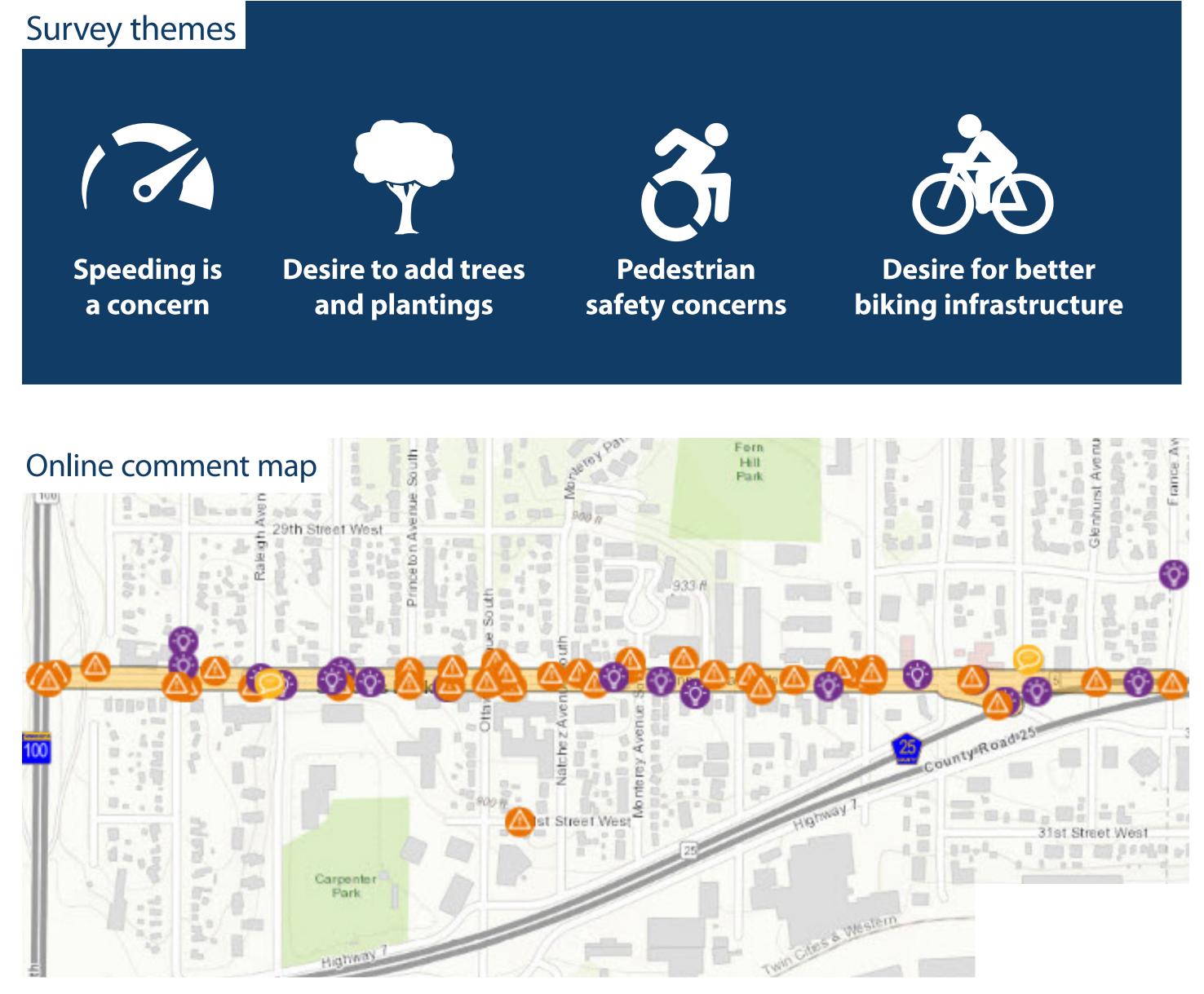




Sidewalk decal at pedestrian crossing







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~600

comments

received

Engagement summary: phase 2

In winter of 2021-2022, we introduced two potential roadway concepts for the project. We created an online input experience that allowed folks to learn more about the roadway concepts, rank how they felt about them, and provide location-specific comments as well as general feedback. We also distributed paper copies of the ranking survey and flyers to local businesses and organizations, held an open house on April 26 and attended pop up events. Between the feedback submitted via comment cards, the online comment map, the survey, and in person conversation, we received around 450 comments.



Results



Support

Neutral

28%

Top comment themes



Strong support for additional green space



Support for the 4-3 lane conversion



Appreciate that this design requires less pedestrian and bicycle crossing

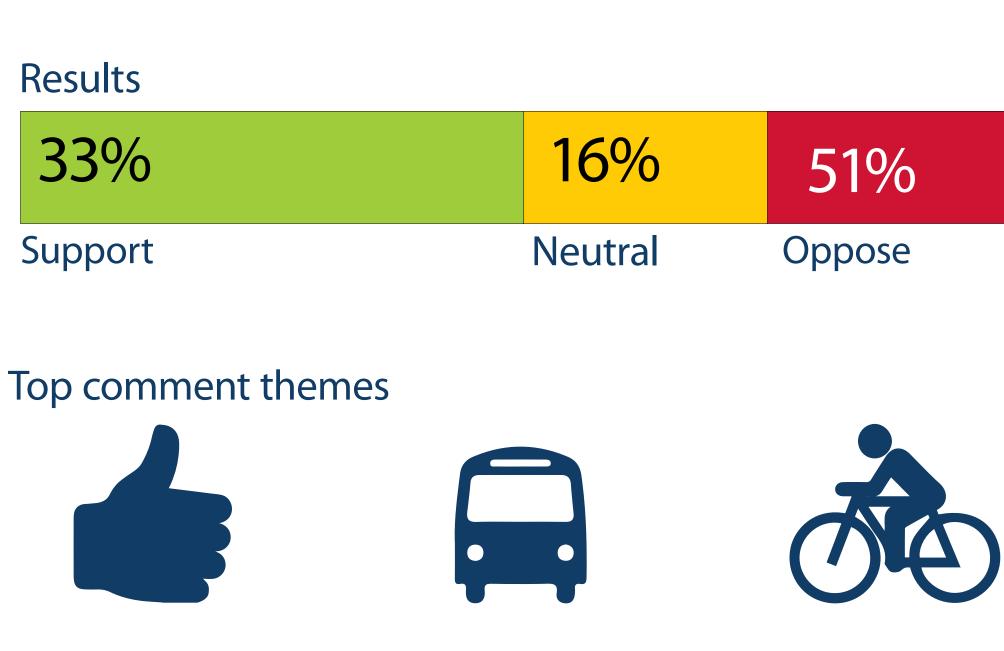




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Desire for additional safety measures



Support for the 4-3 lane conversion

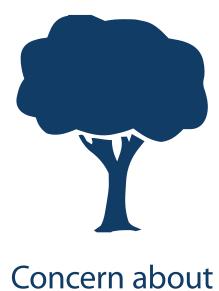
Concern with buses blocking traffic

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comments

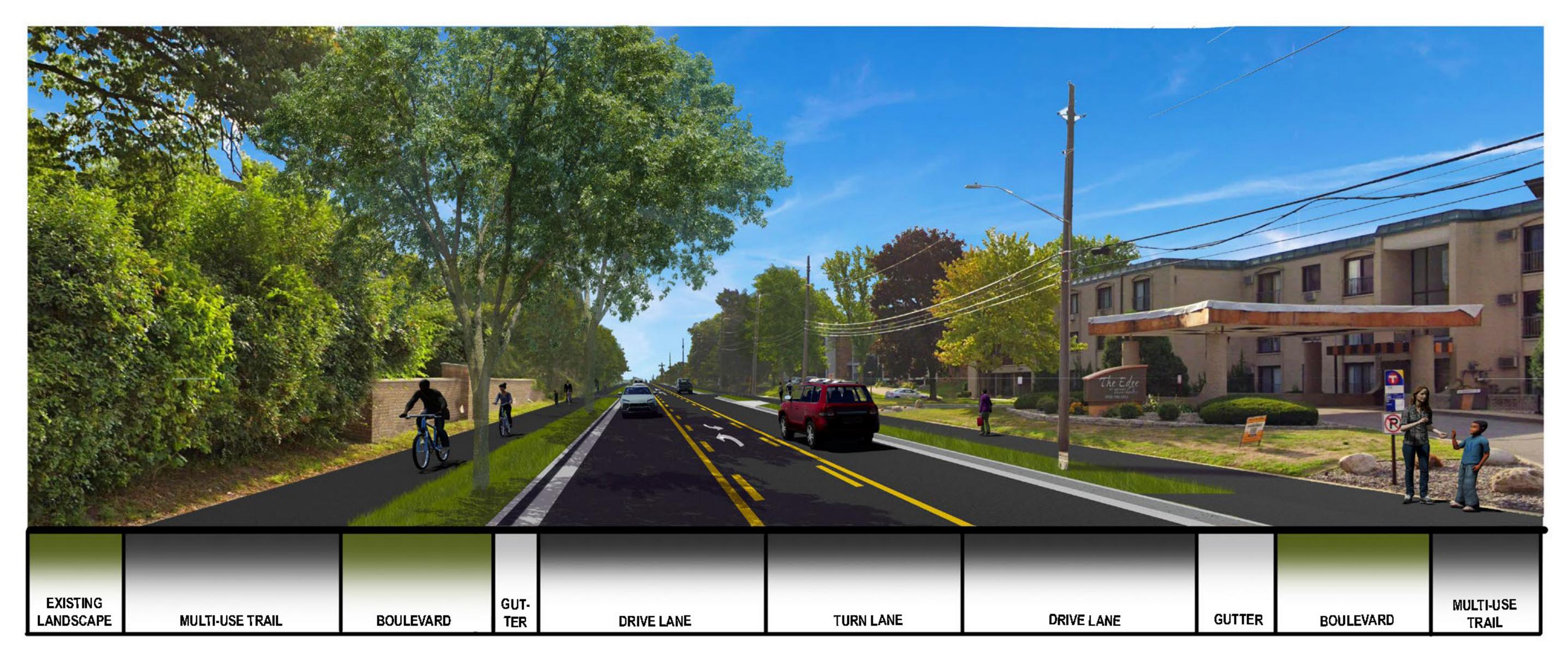
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Support for twoway raised bike lane



lack of green space

Concept A



Minnetonka Boulevard reconstruction Concept A | Multi-use trail on both sides Between Ottawa Avenue and Natchez Avenue (looking east)



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