

Questions	Answers
Parking During Construction (Owner/Employee Accommodations and Off-Site Parking)	Thank you for raising this important question. We understand that convenient parking is essential for both businesses and their customers. The project is currently in the design phase, and before construction begins, Houston Public Works and the Project Team will host a "How to Prepare for Construction" meeting. During this session, we'll share detailed information about parking accommodations, access to businesses, construction schedules, and what you can expect throughout each phase of the project.
Traffic Management and Business Access During Construction	Maintaining access to businesses is a top priority throughout construction. As the project design is finalized, we will provide a detailed traffic management plan and discuss how customers, employees, deliveries, and emergency vehicles will continue to access the corridor. These topics will be covered during our "How to Prepare for Construction" meeting before work begins, giving everyone an opportunity to ask questions and plan ahead.
Construction Phasing and Schedule (Start Location, Timeline, Work Hours, and Noise)	We know that understanding the construction schedule helps businesses and residents prepare. Because the project is still in the design phase, construction phasing and scheduling are still being developed. Once finalized, we'll share information on where construction will begin, anticipated timelines, work hours, and what to expect regarding noise and other construction activities during our "How to Prepare for Construction" meeting.

Business and Property Impacts (Lost Revenue and Property Acquisition)	We recognize that construction can create challenges for businesses, and we appreciate the important role they play in the University Boulevard corridor. While the City cannot use public funds to reimburse private businesses for lost revenue resulting from construction, Houston Public Works is committed to minimizing impacts whenever possible. The project team will work to maintain access to businesses throughout construction and make every reasonable effort to reduce disruptions. To help support businesses during the project, we will: •Avoid construction activities directly affecting private properties between November and January whenever possible to help minimize disruptions during the busy holiday season. •Maintain access to businesses and properties throughout construction so customers, employees, and deliveries can continue to reach their destinations. •Make every reasonable effort to reduce excessive noise, dust, debris, and vibrations near storefronts. •The contractor will repair and/or restore any property that is damaged as a result of construction activities. At this time, no additional property acquisitions beyond those already communicated are anticipated, and no property buyouts or condemnation of private property are expected as part of this project.
Westbound Right-Turn Lane at Morningside Drive	Yes, a dedicated westbound right-turn lane at Morningside Drive is included in the current design. Traffic studies conducted in February 2025 identified a significant number of westbound right-turn movements during the afternoon peak travel period. Based on this data, the dedicated turn lane is needed to improve traffic flow and enhance safety at the intersection.

Previous One-Way Street Proposal	Several community members asked about a proposal from approximately ten years ago that would have converted University Boulevard to a one-way street. While that concept was explored early in the project's development, the current project has always been planned and designed to reconstruct University Boulevard as a two-way roadway. The current construction plans reflect that long-term vision and are intended to improve mobility, safety, and accessibility for all users.
Request for an In-Person Meeting with Business Owners	We appreciate the interest in meeting face-to-face and recognize the value of direct conversations with the business community. If you would like to request an in-person meeting, please email the Public Engagement Manager, Kenya Williams at kenya.williams@houstontx.gov. The project team is committed to working collaboratively with business owners, answering questions, and keeping the lines of communication open throughout the life of the project.