



Over 300 residents and business representatives attended the 2017 City of St. Charles Road Show. Before exiting the event, attendees were encouraged to take a short survey and share their comments and questions. The Department of Engineering has posted responses to these comments and questions below.

1) Duchesne, Hawks Nest and Zumbahl should be at the top of the priority list for the City of St. Charles.

Thank you for mentioning these projects. Improvements to each of these roads are included in the Long Range Transportation Plan, which is located on the Engineering page of the City website. Currently, construction on Zumbahl (south of Veterans Memorial) will begin the week of March 5, 2017. This year, the Department of Engineering will also be studying the Zumbahl corridor from River Road to 370 to determine the need for future improvements. Finally, the Department of Engineering will also be applying for outside funding this year for Duchesne and Hawks Nest with improvements planned in 2019-2020.

2) The one-way outer roads would be concern for customers accessing businesses on the opposite side of the highway. Some routes might require a 3 to 4 mile detour.

The current I-70 one-way outer road concept includes exits spaced a ½ mile or less apart. This concept also includes adding 2 – 4 new ramps (in addition to the existing 4 ramps at interchanges) in the City of St. Charles and adding Texas turnarounds at existing interchanges. This spacing will allow drivers the opportunity to turn around at interchanges, overpasses and travel from one side of the highway, to the other quickly.

3) Redesigning and expanding of the Zumbahl & Cave Springs overpasses would do more to improve traffic flow than one-way outer roads on Interstate 70.

St. Charles County has conducted studies on the I-70 interchanges. To date, each of these studies have concluded that I-70 should be reconstructed with one-way outer roads. Currently, MoDOT is conducting another study of the I-70 corridor throughout the region. MoDOT will hold the first of two open houses on **Thursday, March 30, 2017 from 5:00-7:00pm at the Normandy Government Office, 7700 Natural Bridge Road** to discuss the I-70 PEL Study. The PEL Study is a process approach that is typically used to identify transportation issues, along with environmental concerns, in a corridor or a specific location. When the study is complete, the City of St. Charles will share the results with area residents and businesses.



- 4) I spoke with the Planning Department in November 2016 and was told that the Sandfort Creek Road project was dead/abandoned. Now 2 months later, I find it is a grand plan! This is deceptive and not transparent!**

The city of St. Charles Department of Engineering has included this potential project in the City's Long Range Plan for several years. We would like to encourage residents and businesses to contact the Department of Engineering with questions pertaining to Long Range Projects. You may reach the Department of Engineering Monday – Friday from 8:00am – 5:00pm, at 636-949-3237 or via email at engineering@stcharlescitemo.gov

- 5) The City is creating a safety hazard by narrowing First Capitol Drive.**

Many residents and businesses felt that the City was creating a safety hazard by narrowing Kingshighway. Kingshighway (between Madison to Clark), had some of the highest traffic accident rates in the city. The stretch of road saw 134 total crashes between October 2011 and March 2016. Despite what some claimed would be the outcome by reducing the number of lanes, today Kingshighway is a safer road. To date, the road diet has reduced the crash volume by 75% while increasing the number of vehicles per day. The volume of traffic before the improvements was 14,500 vehicles per day. Today, Kingshighway averages 17,500 vehicles per day.

- 7) I would like to see dedicated bicycle lanes on First Capitol. I would also like to see more bicycle racks in front of public buildings. Finally, is there a project or desire to have parking on only one side of 9th Street?**

In 2016, the Department of Engineering completed the Citywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Study with the Department of Public Works, City of St. Charles Parks and Recreation Department, and Trailnet. This plan will provide a blueprint for the development of pedestrian and bicycle improvements throughout the community. Over time, as the plan is implemented, the City of St. Charles will become safer for bicyclists and pedestrians. The study is located online here:

<https://www.stcharlescitemo.gov/574/Long-Range-Sidewalk-Plan>

Making changes to on-street parking is a formal process. The Department of Engineering would be happy to conduct a study and evaluate the parking on 9th Street. To begin the process, please contact the Department of Engineering at 636-949-3237.

- 8) I am very interested in the installation of pedestrian sidewalks around and near the new post office. Boone needs pedestrian access FULLY and so does Pike, Perry and Forest. These projects need to be added to the Long Range Capital Improvements Plan.**

These connections are in the Long Range Sidewalk Plan, which is located on the Engineering page of the City website. The Department of Engineering will be applying for funds this year for Perry. If the funds are secured this year, construction could begin in 2020.



- 9) **I would like to see the City of St. Charles use greener infrastructure such as permeable interlocking pavers for durable pavement & stormwater management.**

The City of St. Charles and the Department of Engineering have added a CIP item to implement green infrastructure on various street projects. For instance, the upcoming First Capitol Enhancements project includes bioretention cells, which will store, filter, and infiltrate stormwater runoff before discharging to the Missouri River.

- 10) **I-70 corridor should be studied. I do not think that such grand or expensive changes are viable or economical.**

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