



STREET TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

## PROJECT UPDATE – JULY 2022

### 3rd Avenue from Thomas to Osborn Roads

The City of Phoenix Street Transportation Department would like to provide an update to the community about proposed bike infrastructure improvements for 3rd Avenue from Thomas to Osborn Roads. A pre-recorded presentation was posted on the project webpage on March 14, 2022, and a community survey was available from March 14 to April 3, 2022.

#### PROJECT DETAILS

The Street Transportation Department proposed changes to the driving and biking lanes along this section of roadway, to include adding protection to the existing bike lanes and removing one driving lane in each direction to make space for the bike lane upgrade. This section of roadway also is part of the Phoenix Sonoran Bikeway.

#### DECISION

The Street Transportation Department will move forward with the proposed lane configuration changes, meaning that this section of 3rd Avenue will be converted from five driving lanes to three driving lanes (one travel lane in each direction and one center turn lane), and a protected bike lane will be added in each direction. Department staff considered stakeholder input gathered during the public engagement process in spring 2022 and engineering judgement to make this decision.

#### WHAT'S NEXT

A timeline for the project is still being determined, as it will be coordinated with the timing of the [3rd and 5th Avenues North of McDowell Road Improvement Project](#). Department staff also is working to determine the appropriate type of vertical delineation for the protected bike lanes. Updates will be posted on the project webpage: [Phoenix.gov/Streets/3rdAveTO](https://phoenix.gov/streets/3rdAveTO)

The department continually looks for funding opportunities to improve city infrastructure and is submitting for a Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) Design Assistance Program grant. If this grant funding is received, it would be used for a feasibility study to look at further improvements for those walking and biking along this section of 3rd Avenue.

#### CONTACT US

Comments and questions can be sent to the project team via e-mail: [bike@phoenix.gov](mailto:bike@phoenix.gov)