## **PROJECT UPDATE**

## **Osborn Road Lane Changes Pilot**



STREET TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

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The City of Phoenix Street Transportation Department greatly appreciates the response we received from the community through the pilot project to demonstrate potential traffic lane changes on Osborn Road between 19th and 15th Avenues.

The temporary lane reduction, through traffic barricades, simulated a proposed change to remove one eastbound vehicle lane. This was done to simulate the travel lane reduction that would provide space to add bicycle lanes in both directions. Since the completion of the pilot, the Street Transportation Department has thoroughly evaluated the findings alongside input from neighboring communities and area commuters.

## Based on a detailed traffic evaluation and community input, the Street Transportation Department will not be moving forward with the traffic lane changes.

However, because of the concerns from the community about safety and speed along this section of Osborn Road, the Street Transportation Department will install speed feedback signage and high-visibility ladder-style crosswalks on Osborn Road approaching the two existing school crosswalks at 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue, serving Saint Gregory Catholic School, and at 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue, serving Encanto Elementary School. Speed feedback signs are shown to result in lower driving speeds and high-visibility crosswalks are a signal to drivers to be especially watchful for people planning to cross the road. These safety improvements are the direct result of your participation in this process. The crosswalk upgrades are anticipated by the end of the year and the speed feedback signs are scheduled for a February installation.

We welcome and value your questions and feedback. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact us at:

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