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## Panet Road / Molson Street Reconstruction





April 24, 2013







#### What is the Purpose of the Project?

To address issues associated with traffic growth around Molson Street. Project issues include:

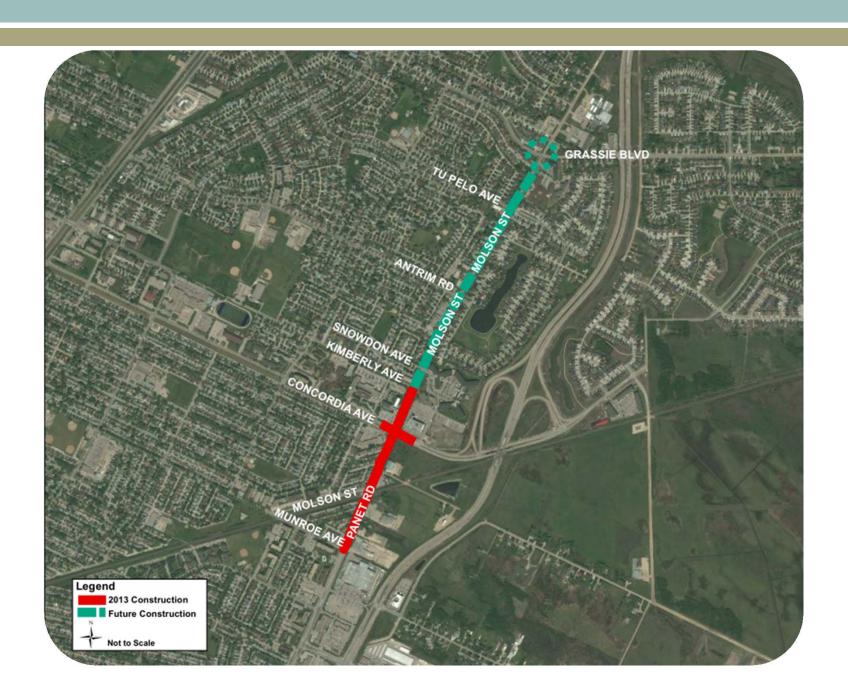
- Delay at rail crossings
- □ Traffic congestion at Molson Street and Concordia Avenue intersection
- Lack of walking and cycling facilities
- ☐ Land drainage
- Street lighting
- Aesthetics (the "look" and "feel" of the corridor)







## **Project Phases**

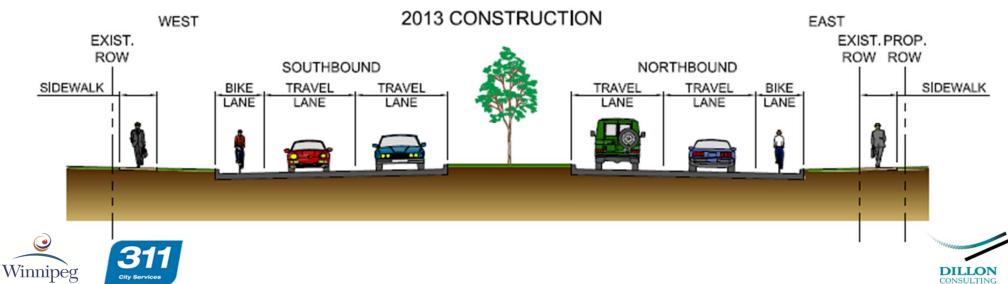


#### 2013 Construction

## Panet Road / Molson Street Between Munroe Avenue and Kimberly Avenue

■ Molson Street will be upgraded from a two-lane rural roadway to a four-lane divided street. Ditches will be eliminated and replaced by Land Drainage Sewers.



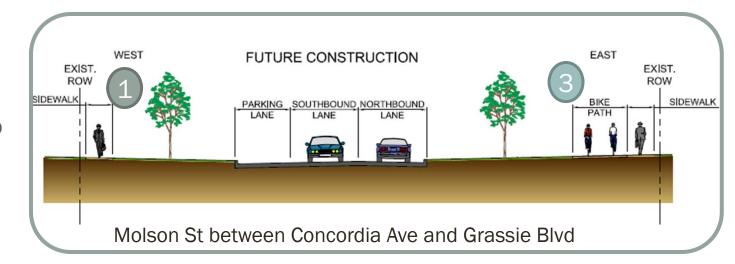


#### **Active Transportation**

## Improvements include:

- East and West sidewalks throughout corridor.
- Addition of bike lanes south of Concordia Avenue.
- Future addition of
  east side two-way
  bike path (adjacent to
  sidewalk), north of
  Concordia.





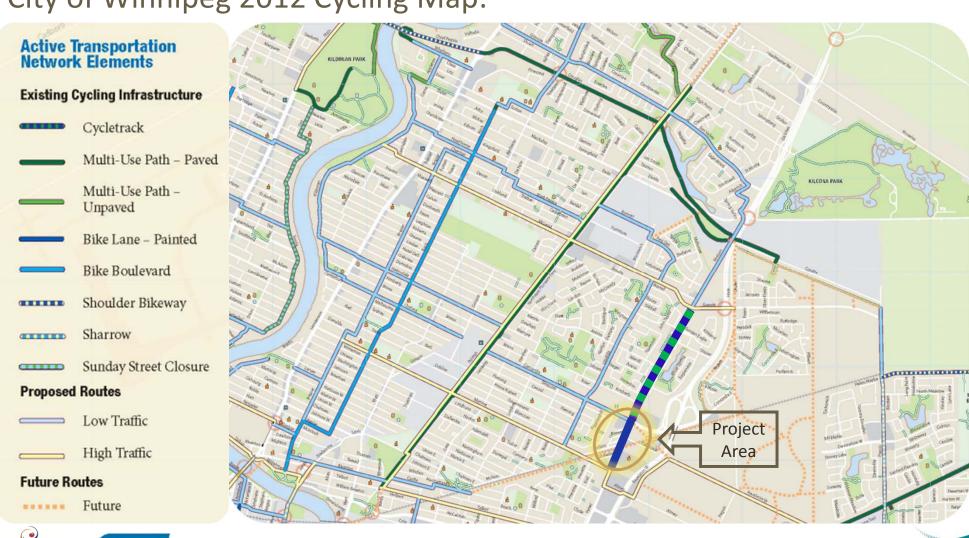






### **Active Transportation**

#### City of Winnipeg 2012 Cycling Map:









#### Universal Design

- Retail developments, schools, parks, churches, hospital, and other care facilities attract many pedestrians to this area.
- Users with mobility constraints, strollers, small children, vision or hearing impairments, etc. require specific accessibility consideration.
- Considerations include sidewalk ramps at intersections and a consistent and continuous sidewalk network.
- Detectable warning surface tiles to be installed at the intersection of Molson Street and Concordia Avenue.













#### **Transit**

- Gravel shoulder bus stops will be replaced by concrete bus pads connected to sidewalks.
- Transit stops may be moved to encourage passengers to cross Molson Street at safer locations.





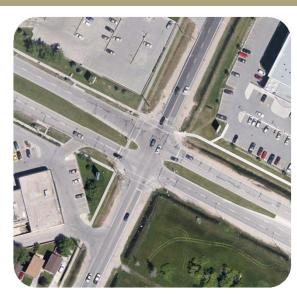






#### Intersections

- 1. Drivers currently experience congestion / delay along the Panet/Molson corridor primarily due to the existing configuration of the Molson/Concordia intersection.
- 2. Roundabout analysis was undertaken at Concordia, Antrim/Timberline, and Tu-Pelo/Golden Eagle. Results indicated:
  - Concordia was a poor location due to heavy pedestrian usage and also proximity to CPR tracks.
  - Antrim and Tu-Pelo would not largely benefit.
- The Molson/Concordia intersection will remain signalized but will now include left-turn lanes, right-turn cut-offs, and two through lanes in all directions. Drivers will experience a significant reduction in delay.
- 4. Antrim/Timberline and Tu-Pelo/Golden Eagle intersections will remain four-way stops as they currently function well.











#### Land Drainage

- Roadway and adjacent property is currently drained by ditches.
- Ditch drainage is undesirable in areas with high pedestrian and parking activity. Ditches restrict access to sidewalks and limit landscaping opportunities.
- When the street is reconstructed ditches will be eliminated, roadway lowered and run-off will be directed to catchbasins along the curbed roadway.











# Timeline Munroe Ave. to Kimberly Ave.

Data Collection & Analysis (January 2013)

Preliminary
Design
(February /
March 2013)

Public Open House (April 2013)

Final Design
(April/May 2013)

Start
Construction
(Summer 2013)









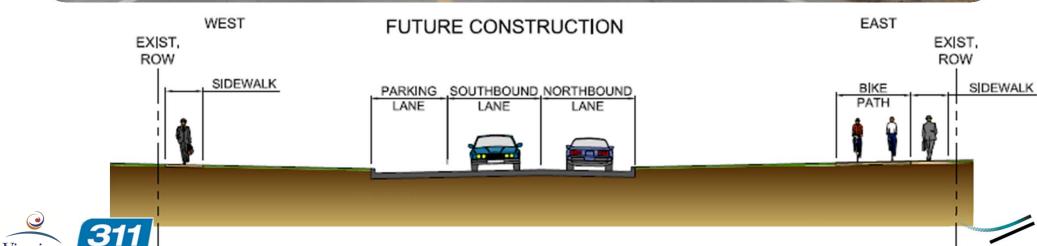


#### **Future Construction**

#### Molson Street Between Kimberly Avenue and Grassie Boulevard

- Upgrade Molson Street from its current rural ditch cross section to an urban curb and gutter cross-section.
- □ When the recently renewed asphalt pavement is due for replacement it will be replaced with an urban collector street pavement with curbs. A separate bike path will provide connectivity to Chief Peguis Trail.

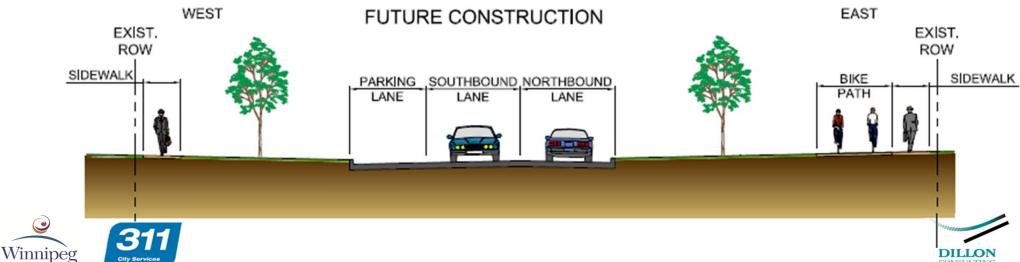




### Parking North of Snowdon Avenue

- Portions of Molson Street currently allow parking on shoulder.
- ☐ There is a demand for parking.
- Poor accessibility due to gravel shoulders and ditches.
- □ Current shoulder will be eliminated and a parking lane provided north of Concordia Avenue between 160 m north of Snowdon Avenue and Grassie Boulevard.





# Timeline Kimberly Ave. to Grassie Blvd.

Data
Collection
& Analysis
(January
2013)

Preliminary
Design
(February /
March 2013)

Public Open House (April 2013) Refine
Preliminary
Design
(April / May
2013)

Submit
Preliminary
Design
Report
(June 2013)

Final Design and Construction (Future)











## Issues/Response Issues Identified by Stakeholders

#### Access

- Difficulties accessing Molson Street from Concordia Hospital
- Property access points that accommodate trucks
- Maintain current access to property and improve condition (ex. steep grades, widening of existing accesses)
- Add additional access points and/or access through centre boulevards

#### Vulnerable Road Users

 Pedestrian safety for those accessing schools and medical centres

#### **Active Transportation**

- Connectivity to surrounding cycling networks
- Separation of AT from road/parking
- Stop signs on AT path and raised crossings at intersection/driveways for safety
- Median crossings

#### **Construction Impacts**







- Median crossing on Concordia will be reconfigured to allow for better access to Molson Street
- Stakeholder communication has resulted in the incorporation of access requirements where possible
- Access points designed to maximize site access and circulation while maintaining traffic flow and improve safety along corridor
- Vulnerable road users have been considered from the start of this project and universal design concepts have been incorporated into the design as follows:
  - o Detectable warning tiles
  - Curb extensions (bump outs)
  - o Ramp curbs
  - o Crosswalks
- Active Transportation has been considered from the start of the design study
- Input from meetings with Active Transportation groups has been incorporated
- o Safety for pedestrians and cyclists is part of the design criteria
- Some delays are expected during construction as a result of slower traffic speed and potential lane realignments
- Roadway traffic volumes analysis determined that one lane northbound and southbound will accommodate traffic movements
- The construction staging plan accommodates traffic flow and turning movements throughout the construction horizon
- Access to businesses/landowner property will be maintained throughout construction

# Thank you for attending, please fill out a comment form before you leave.

For further information on the project, please visit the City of Winnipeg's website at <a href="http://winnipeg.ca/PanetMolson">http://winnipeg.ca/PanetMolson</a>

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