

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Quarter 1 • 2025

City of Gainesville

VISION ZERO



Information &
Project Updates

VISION ZERO WORKGROUP

The City Commission adopted a Vision Zero Resolution to eliminate traffic-related deaths and serious injuries in the City of Gainesville by 2040. A multidisciplinary Vision Zero Workgroup was formed to help lead and consolidate the Vision Zero efforts. The VZ Workgroup comprises a diverse team of professionals, including transportation planners, traffic engineers, emergency response personnel from police and fire rescue, and public health and communications experts.

Multiple agencies collaborate in this effort, including the:

- **City of Gainesville**
- **Alachua County**
- **Florida Department of Transportation**
- **University of Florida**
- **Santa Fe College**
- **Gainesville Police Department**

The collaborative focus seeks to advance a common goal and interest in enhancing the safety of the transportation system and all of its users.

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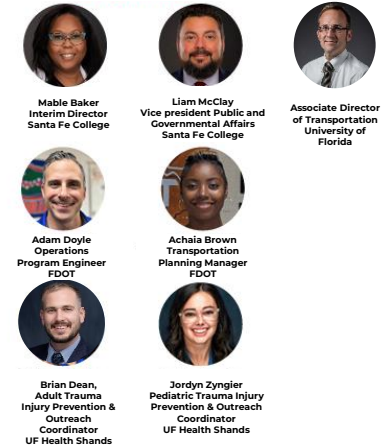
COG PARTNER DEPARTMENTS



ALACHUA COUNTY PARTNERS



STATE AND ACADEMIC PARTNERS



JORDYN ZYNGIER

**Pediatric Trauma Injury Prevention & Outreach Coordinator
Safe Kids North Central Florida Coordinator UF Health Shands
Children's Hospital Trauma Services ACS Verified Level I
Pediatric Trauma Center**

Jordyn Zyngier, BS, EMT-B, CPST, is passionate about keeping kids safe and educating families about injury prevention. She works as the Pediatric Trauma Injury Prevention and Outreach Coordinator at UF Health Shands Children's Hospital, where she focuses on reducing preventable injuries and supporting the community.

Jordyn is also the Coordinator of the Safe Kids North Central Florida Coalition, where she leads efforts to protect children through educational programs and safety initiatives. As a member of the Vision Zero workgroup, she is dedicated to finding ways to eliminate traffic-related deaths and serious injuries by working alongside other professionals toward safer roads. Whether she's helping families with car seat safety or organizing outreach events, Jordyn is committed to creating safer environments for children and their loved ones.

VISION ZERO IN THE NEWS

Gainesville is a Vision Zero Community



What are the key elements of a strong Vision Zero community?

1. A clear goal of eliminating traffic fatalities and severe injuries has been set.
2. The Mayor has publicly, officially committed to Vision Zero.
3. Leadership and collaboration across key departments (e.g., Transportation, Public Health, Mayor's Office) and community partners.
4. A Vision Zero Action Plan that is data-driven, equitable, and grounded in the Safe System Approach, with:
 - Identification of a High Injury Network (HIN)
 - Prioritization of infrastructure improvements and safe speed management
 - Clear actions to address disparities in roadway safety risk
 - Clear systems of accountability, transparency, and evaluation

What is the Vision Zero Network?

The Vision Zero Network is committed to build momentum and advance Vision Zero in communities across the U.S. The goal of Vision Zero Network Members is safe mobility for all. Vision Zero Communities recognize that everyone has the right to safe mobility, whether walking, bicycling, driving, riding a scooter, using a wheelchair, or riding transit. Yet, each year in the U.S., tens of thousands of people are killed, and millions more injured, in preventable traffic crashes. These are our friends, family members, colleagues, and neighbors.

Safe Systems = Safe Mobility



Vision Zero is not a slogan, not a tagline, not even just a program. It is a fundamentally different way to approach traffic safety.

VISION ZERO IN THE NEWS

Vision Zero Open House 2025

The Vision Zero Open House, held on Wednesday, February 26, 2025, was a key event as part of the City of Gainesville's Vision Zero Initiative. It focused on showcasing transportation safety efforts from various perspectives. The event aimed to raise awareness of safety issues, trends, and solutions while offering the community a chance to share their input.

This collaborative gathering provided an opportunity for the public to engage in shaping safer transportation systems for all.



You are invited to...

Vision Zero Open House

Wednesday, Feb. 26

4:30-6:30 p.m.

at the Historic Thomas Center

302 NE Sixth Ave.



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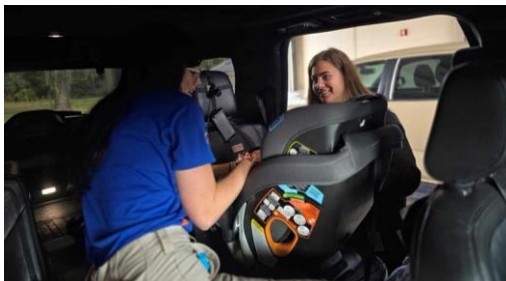
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State Farm Good Neighbor Car Seat Safety Grant



Local car seat inspections and monthly events aim to enhance the safety of Gainesville's residents by providing crucial support and resources. The primary goal is to engage new parents, caregivers, and grandparents, with a particular focus on reaching underserved communities to ensure equitable access to these vital safety initiatives.

- **Monthly Events**
 - UF Health Professional Park
 - TBD
- **Bi-monthly Events**
 - High Springs Fire Department
 - TBD
- **Quarterly Events**
 - Bradford County Fire Rescue

Local Car Seat Inspection Stations

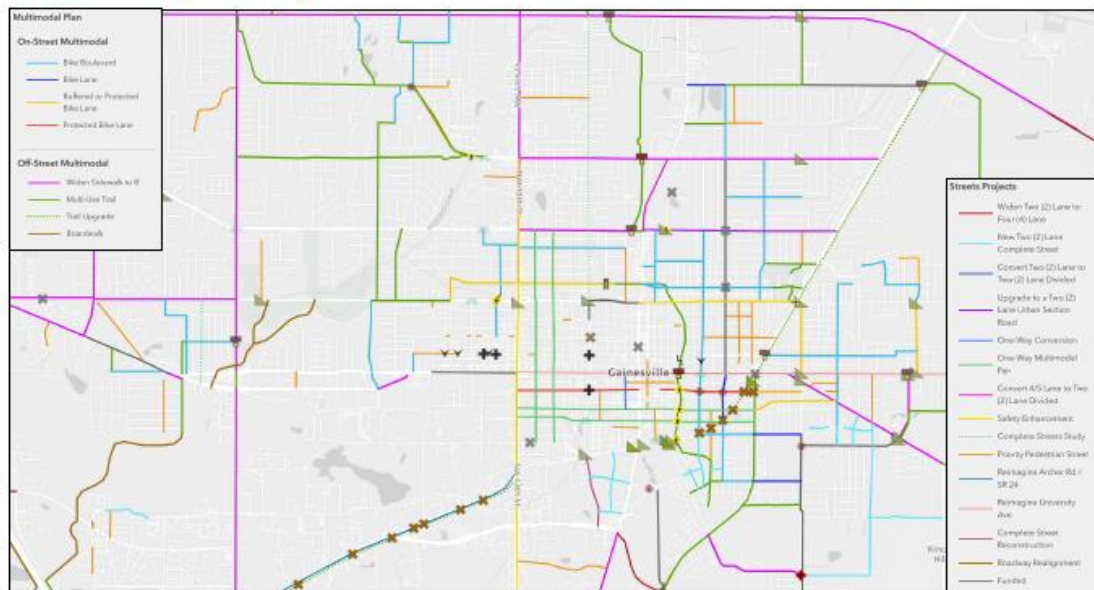
- **UF Health Shands Trauma Services:**
 - Third Thursday of each Month
 - Various intermittent dates each month
 - Contact Jordyn at jordyn.zyngier@ufhealth.edu or 352-574-7416
- **Gainesville Fire Rescue:**
 - By appointment only
 - Contact Krista at 352-393-8461
- **Gainesville Police Department:**
 - Contact 352-393-7500

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

What is a Mobility Plan?

The 2045 Mobility Plan will establish a framework for the next 20 years to provide transportation choices through mobility projects designed to meet the needs of projected growth in population, employment, and increases in travel. The plan will replace the existing Transportation Mobility Program Area (TMPA) system. The Mobility Plan will serve as a proactive guide, planning for and prioritizing multimodal projects to meet the community's growth, travel, and mobility needs. These mobility projects include improvements to roads and intersections, as well as the development and enhancement of multi-use trails, bike lanes, sidewalks, boardwalks, and transit services.

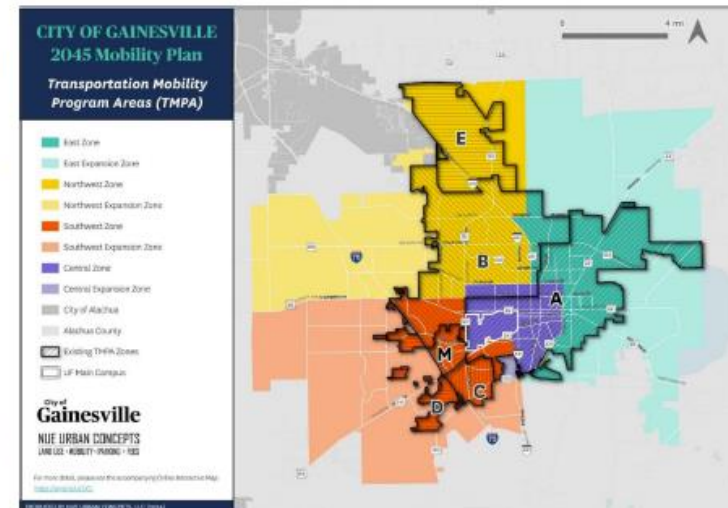
Proposed Projects Map



Mobility Plan and Fee

What is a Mobility Fee?

A mobility fee is a one-time fee paid by new developments or redevelopments within the City to mitigate the impacts on the transportation system. The mobility fees are based on the projects adopted in the Mobility Plan and will help fund the design and construction of those projects. The mobility fee varies according to the type of development and its location within identified zones within the City limits. The plan proposes four new zones (East, Central, Northwest, and Southwest) that will replace the existing six zones.



For more information, navigate to the Transportation Planning page on the City of Gainesville website.

MOVING PEOPLE AND PROVIDING CHOICES

- Walking
- Bicycling
- Transit & Microtransit
- Micromobility
- Shared Mobility
- Motor Vehicles

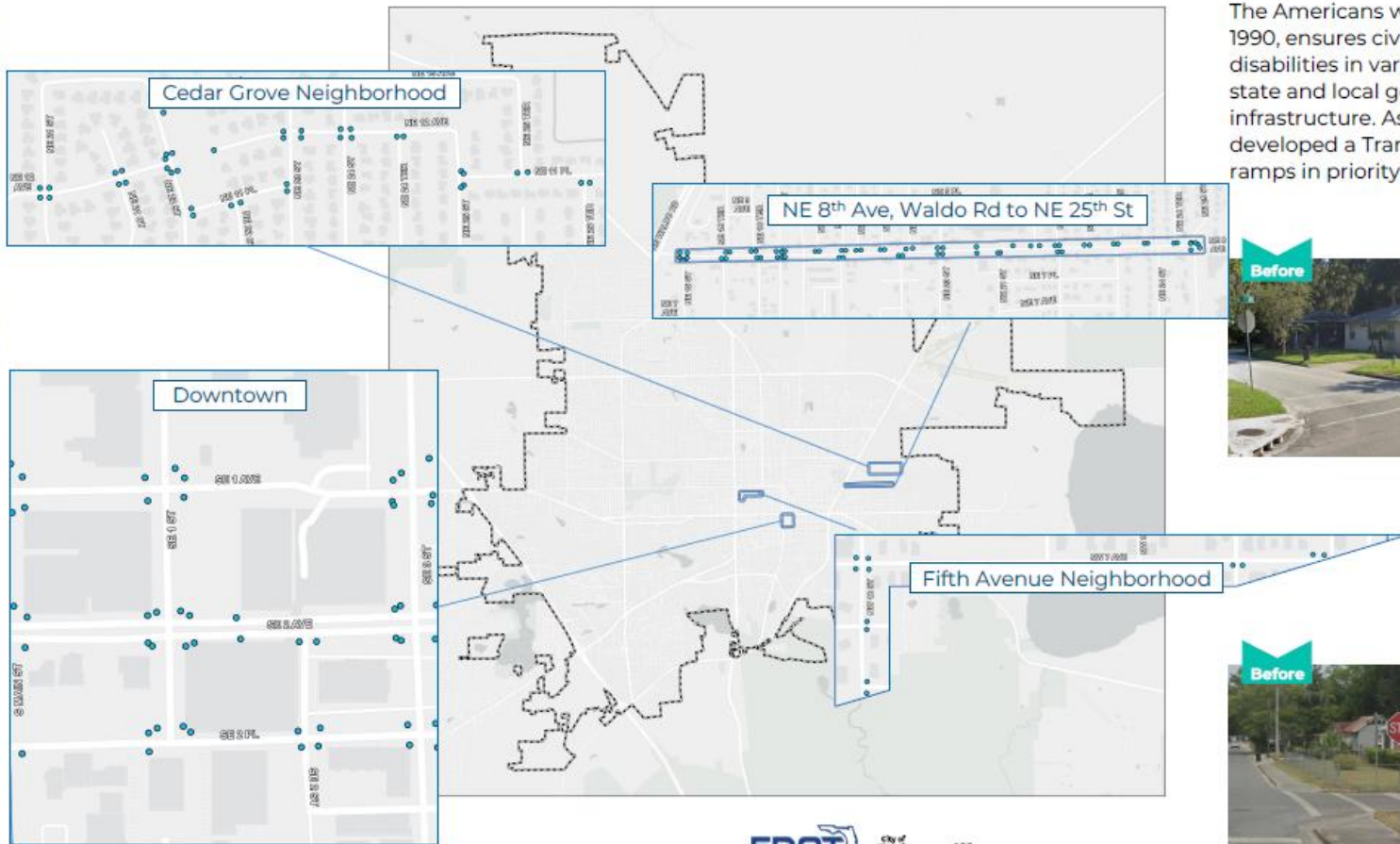
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 LAND USE - MOBILITY - PARKING - FEES

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Curb Ramp Improvements

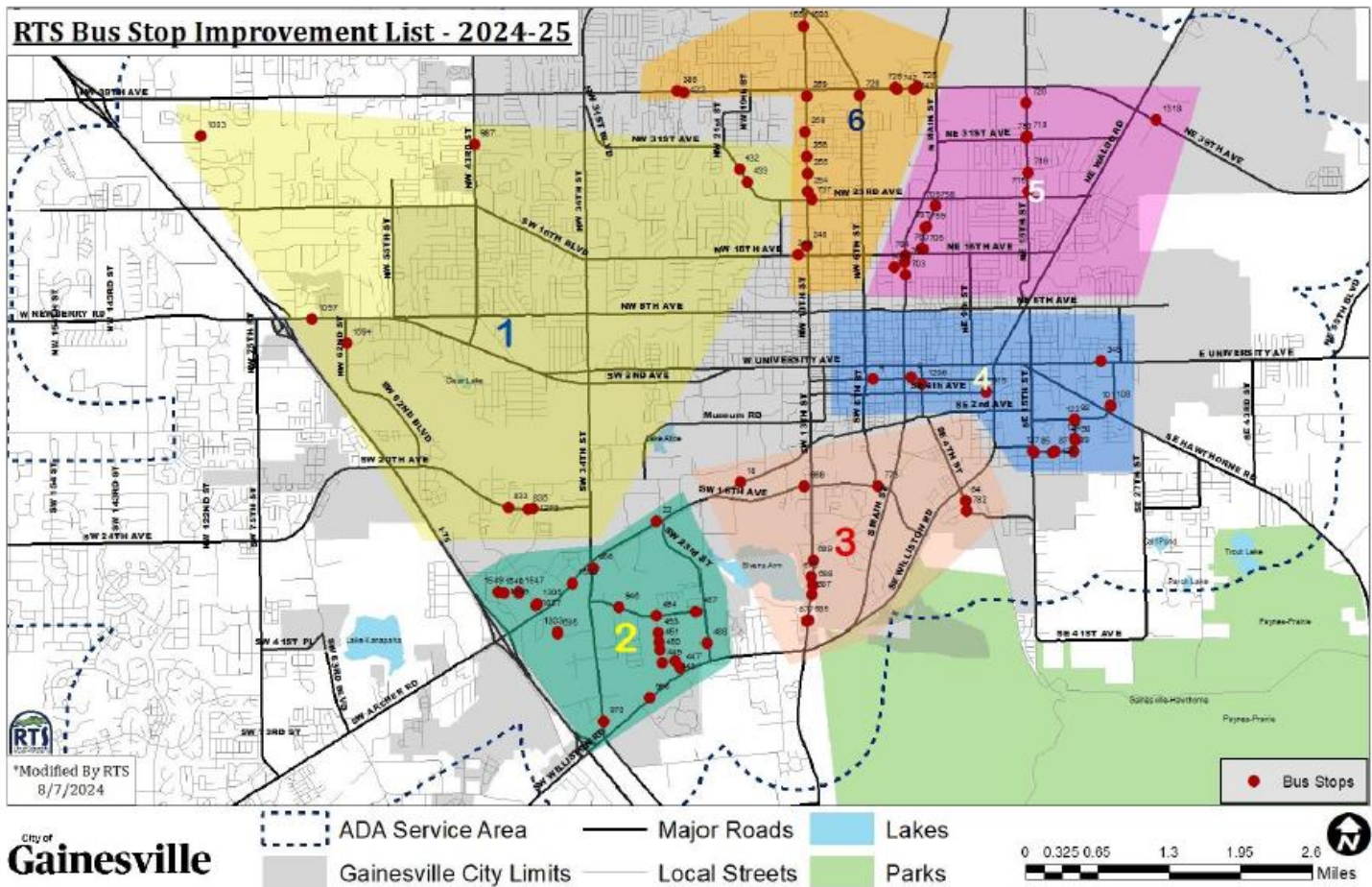


The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), enacted in 1990, ensures civil rights protections for individuals with disabilities in various areas. Title II of the ADA requires state and local governments to make accessible infrastructure. As part of this, the City of Gainesville developed a Transition Plan to install compliant curb ramps in priority areas.

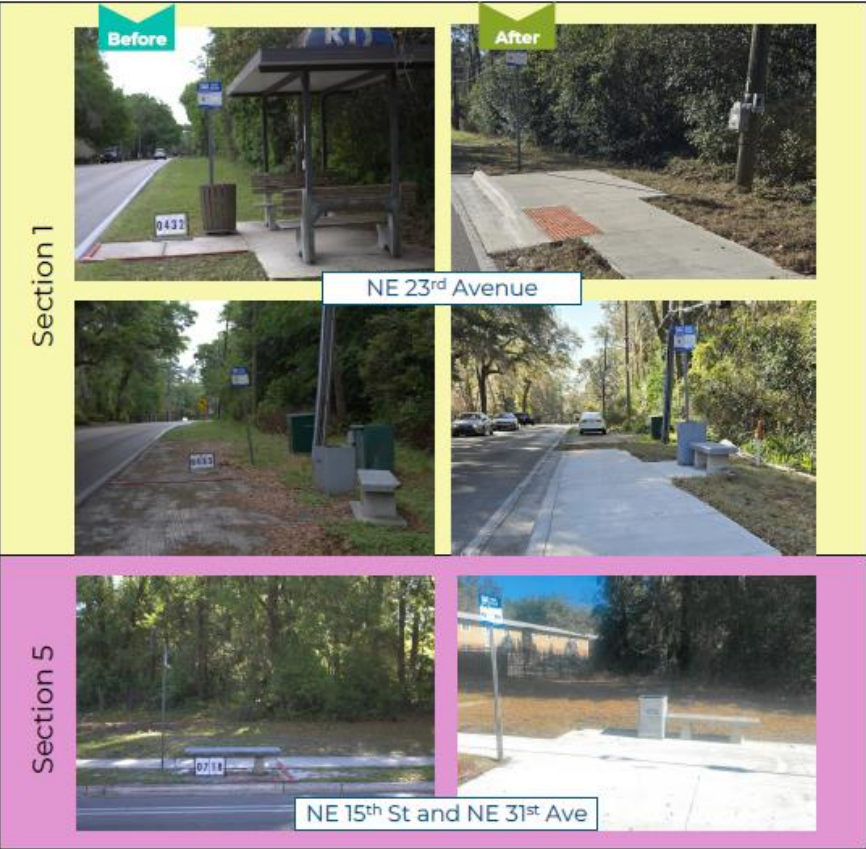


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Bus Stops Improvements



The city of Gainesville's Regional Transit System (RTS) within the Department of Transportation has improved 100 city bus stops to make public transportation more comfortable and convenient.



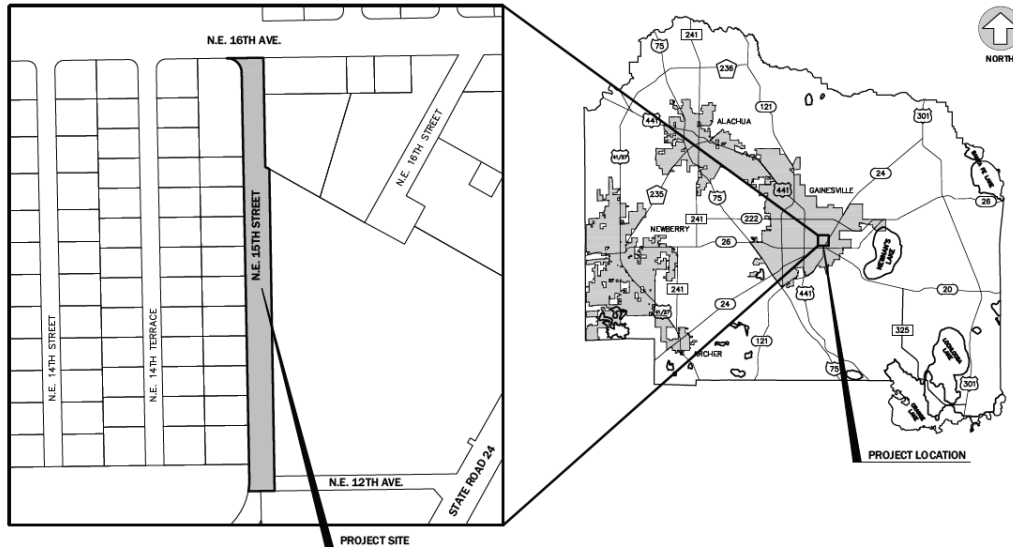
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NE 15th Street Sidewalk

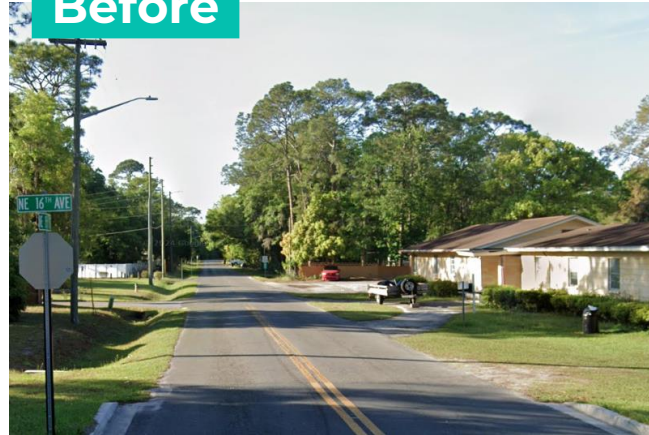
A new sidewalk was constructed along NE 15th Street between NE 12th Avenue and NE 16th Avenue, closing a gap in the multimodal network and increasing accessibility and safety for the community.

Completion: 2025

Cost: \$191,107.00



Before



After

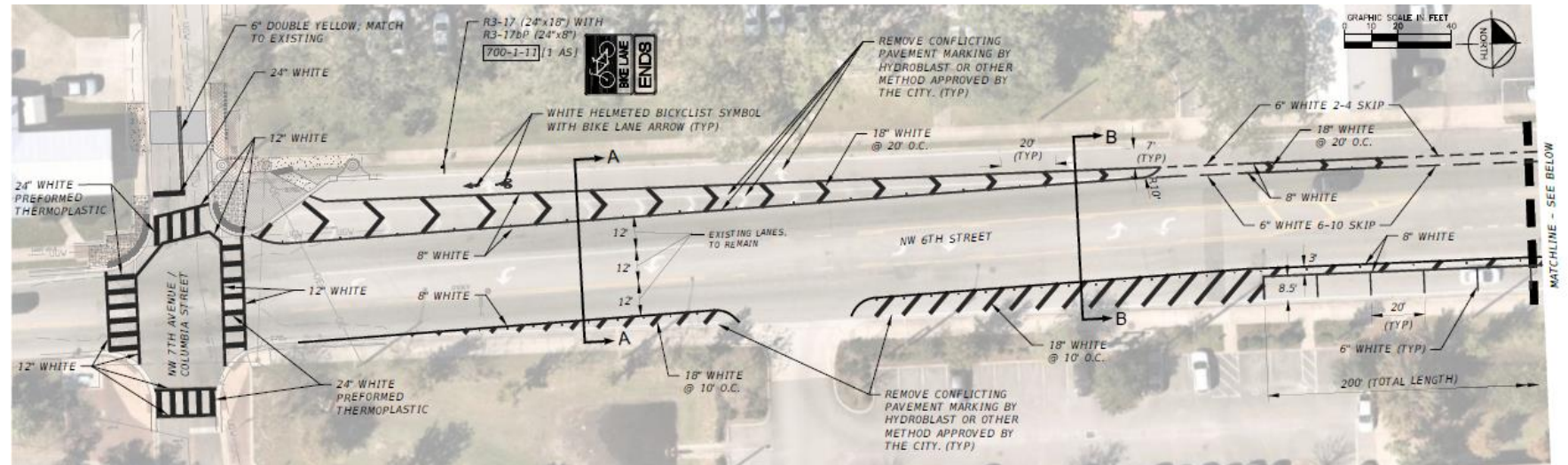
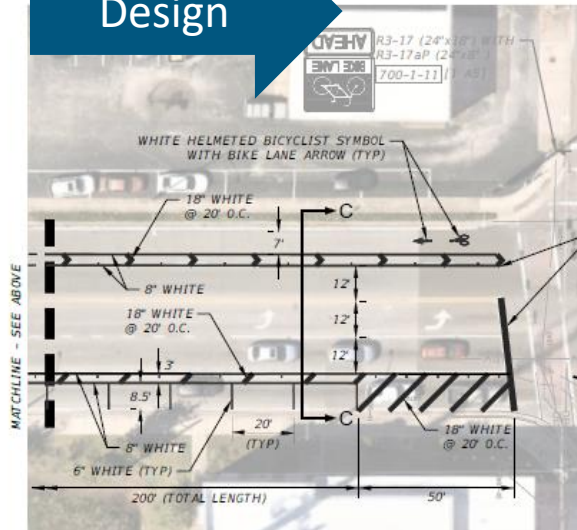


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NW 6th Street Lane Repurposing project

The NW 6th Street lane repurposing project, spanning between NW 7th Avenue and NW 8th Avenue aims to improve multimodal connectivity within the transportation system while enhancing overall safety for all users.

Estimated Completion: 2025/2026



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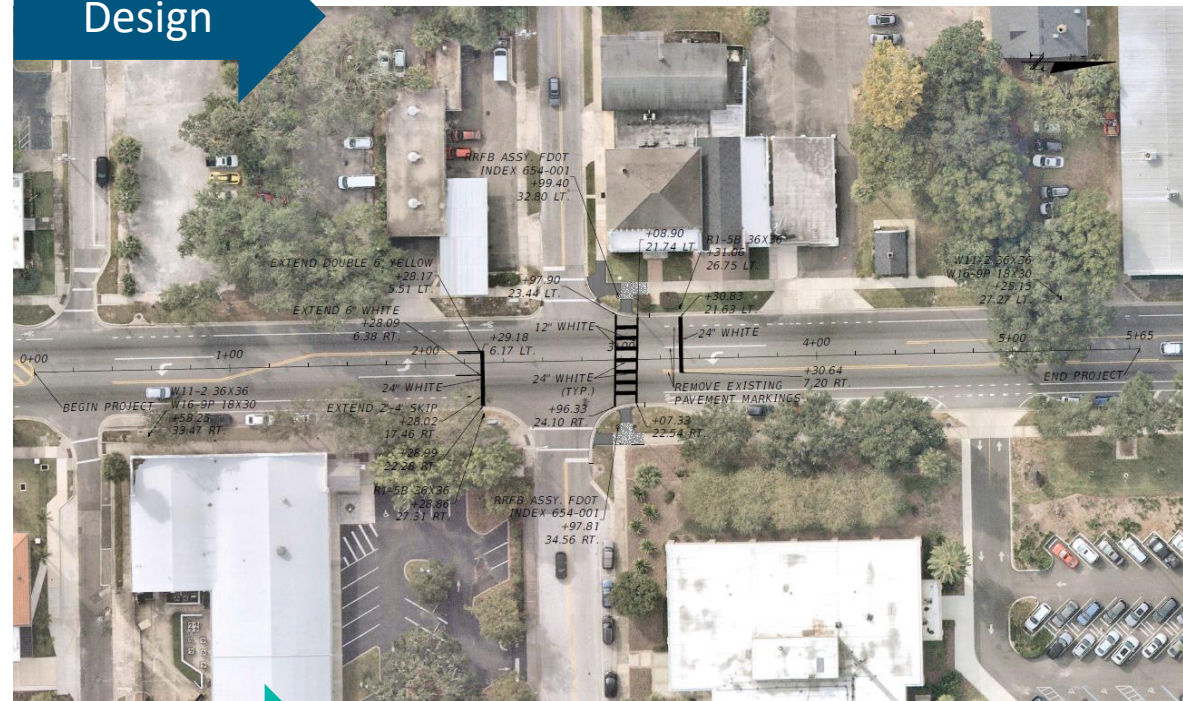
N Main Street at N 4th Avenue

The City of Gainesville has conducted an analysis of N Main Street/SR-20 from N 4th Avenue to N 6th Avenue (the "study area") to assess the need for a new crosswalk. Based on this analysis, the placement of a mid-block crossing on the north side of the intersection of N Main Street and 4th Avenue was proposed.

Currently, nearby crosswalks on Main Street are located at its intersections with University Avenue, N 1st Avenue, N 2nd Avenue, and N 8th Avenue. The gap between N 2nd Avenue and N 8th Avenue leaves approximately 2,000 feet of roadway without a marked crossing for pedestrians, resulting in significant out-of-direction travel. This area is also proximate to the historic Pleasant Street neighborhood to the west and the historic Duckpond neighborhood to the east.

Estimated Completion: 2025/2026

Design



Construction



COMMUNITY EVENTS

MARCH

March 24

MTPO Long-Range Transportation Plan Workshop - 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM @Freedom Community Center at Veterans Memorial Park, 7340 SW 41st Pl., 32608.

March 26

Bike to Anywhere Pit Stop - 7:00 AM to 9:00 AM @Helyx Bridge Plaza, 13th Street bridge, 32601

March 29

Bike Ride with Commissioner Bryan Eastman - 9:30 AM @Depot Park, 874 SE Fourth St., 32601



City of Gainesville



Long-Range Transportation Plan Workshop

When: Monday, March 24, 5-7 p.m.
Where: Freedom Community Center at Veterans Memorial Park (7340 SW 41st Pl.)



Bike to Anywhere Pit Stop

When: Wednesday, March 26, 7-9 a.m.
Where: Helyx Bridge Plaza

COMMUNITY EVENTS

APRIL

April 12

UF Health Healthy Heroes Day at UF Health Professional Park
- 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM @UF Health Professional Park 3300 SW Williston Rd. Gainesville, 32608

Santa Fe College Spring Arts Festival – 10:00 AM @Santa Fe College Northwest Campus 3000 NW 83rd Street Gainesville, FL 32606

MAY

May 10

Motorcycle Rodeo and Open House - 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM
@the Institute of Public Safety 3737 NE 39th Ave
Gainesville, FL 32609.



VISION ZERO RESOURCES



NHTSA

<https://www.nhtsa.gov/road-safety/pedestrian-safety>



Vision Zero

<https://www.gainesvillefl.gov/VisionZero>



Vision Zero Network

<https://visionzeronetwork.org/>



Florida Department of Transportation

<https://www.fdot.gov/agencyresources/target-zero>