

**IOWA STREET ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS  
IRVING HILL BRIDGE TO HARVARD ROAD  
PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING  
JUNE 21, 2012**

**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

**How will the roadway change along Iowa Street?**

The existing four lane roadway will be reconstructed as a 5-lane roadway with concrete pavement with most of the widening occurring on the west side of the existing roadway. The fifth lane will be used as a center turn lane. A new sidewalk will be constructed on the west side throughout the limits of the project. On the east side, there will be a sidewalk along the project limits except for the area between 15<sup>th</sup> Street and University Drive. At the intersection of Iowa Street & Bob Billings Parkway/15<sup>th</sup> Street, there will be dual left turn lanes and right turn only lanes for both northbound and southbound traffic.

**How will the roadway change along Bob Billings Parkway/15<sup>th</sup> Street?**

Along Bob Billings Parkway, the elevation difference between the westbound and eastbound lanes near Iowa Street will be eliminated, as will the median in that area. There will be one left turn lane from Bob Billings Parkway onto Iowa Street. A right turn only lane will be added for eastbound Bob Billings Parkway traffic to southbound Iowa Street.

Along 15<sup>th</sup> Street, the second eastbound through lane will be carried to Engel Street. In addition, the existing median will be removed and a left turn only lane will be built in its place. Finally, a right turn only lane for traffic turning north on Iowa Street will be constructed.

**What is the construction schedule?**

The preliminary timetable to start construction is February/March of 2013. The contract documents will require the contractor to complete the project by the end of 2013.

**Will Iowa Street be open to traffic during construction?**

Yes. There will always be one lane of traffic in each direction on Iowa Street. However, Bob Billings Parkway/15<sup>th</sup> Street will be closed from approximately May 20th (day after KU graduation) to August 15<sup>th</sup>.

**How will I access my property during construction?**

The contractor will be responsible for maintaining access to all properties during construction. The contractor will communicate with residents/businesses during construction as the temporary access routes change. No left turns will be allowed during construction.

**Who should I contact with questions/comments?**

All correspondence should be directed to David Cronin, City Engineer. He can be contacted by phone at (785)832-3130 or by email at [dcronin@lawrenceks.org](mailto:dcronin@lawrenceks.org).