

Neighbourhood Bikeways in Saskatoon

Blairmore Bikeway – 23rd Street West

In 2011, the Capital Project 1137 – Bicycle Facilities – Bicycle Network Plan Update Report identified 23rd Street West as an east-west priority route for cyclists to connect from the downtown to the Blairmore urban development. 23rd Street West was identified as an alternative to 22nd Street West which is a priority route for vehicles. To establish a continuous and well-defined cycling route, 23rd Street West was identified as a bicycle boulevard, or neighbourhood bikeway, and would feature enhanced traffic signage, pavement markings, and traffic calming to create a more comfortable route for cyclists. The 23rd Street West neighbourhood bikeway is often referred to as the Blairmore Bikeway.

In 2012, traffic signage was installed to establish the cycling route, and temporary traffic calming was installed along 23rd Street West.

Permanent installation of the temporary devices began in 2020 and the following measures have been installed permanently:

- Roundabouts at 23rd Street West and Avenue K North, and 23rd Street West and Avenue N North;
- Cyclist and pedestrian activated signals at 23rd Street West and Avenue H North, and 23rd Street West and Avenue P North;
- Pinch point between Avenue E North and Avenue F North; and
- Median island and curb extensions at 23rd Street West and Montreal Avenue North, 23rd Street West and Whitney Avenue North, 23rd Street West and Avenue W North, 23rd Street West and Avenue P North, and 23rd Street West and Avenue H North.

Dudley Street Neighbourhood Bikeway

In December 2020, City Council approved in principle the Dudley Street Neighbourhood Bikeway (Dudley Street Walking and Cycling Improvement Project). The project includes a shared-use path on the south side of Dudley Street between Dawes Avenue and Avenue P, and an on-street neighbourhood bikeway with traffic calming between Avenue P and Spadina Crescent.

The City of Saskatoon has received funding from the Government of Canada through the Active Transportation Fund to construct the Dudley Street Walking and Cycling Improvement Project. Construction is anticipated to start in 2024.

31st Street West Bikeway, Pedestrian and Traffic Safety Improvement Project

In January 2021, City Council approved in principle the 31st Street Bikeway, Pedestrian and Traffic Safety Improvement Project. The project includes an on-street neighbourhood bikeway with traffic calming on 31st Street West from Avenue W to McMillan Avenue, and 31st Street West from Avenue L to Idylwyld Drive.

Detailed design and construction on 31st Street West has not yet begun.

14th Street East Bikeway, Pedestrian and Traffic Safety Improvement Project

In February 2021, City Council approved in principle the 14th Street East Bikeway, Pedestrian and Traffic Safety Improvement Project. The project includes an on-street neighbourhood bikeway with traffic calming on 14th Street from Saskatchewan Crescent East to Cumberland Avenue South.

Implementation on 14th Street East Street has started:

- Curb extensions at Temperance Street, Lansdowne, McKinnon Avenue South, and Wiggins Avenue South have been installed;
- Permanent road closure between Temperance Street and Lansdowne Avenue is completed and bollards have been installed as part of the 14th Street Parklet;
- Changes to the intersection of Cumberland Avenue and 14th Street have been postponed to tie into the construction of dry stormwater retention pond for this area, scheduled for 2025; and
- Feasibility analysis for the installation of missing sidewalks on 14th Street between Saskatchewan Crescent and Cumberland Avenue South has not yet begun.