

Zaragoza Elementary School

Safe Routes to School Improvements
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Introductions

- **Council Member**
 - District 2: Council Member Jesse Moreno
- **City of Dallas Staff**
- **Consultants**
 - Criado & Associates, Inc. – Engineering and Design
 - Terracon Consultants, Inc. - Environmental Clearance



Agenda

- Project Purpose
- Project Overview
- Project Background
- Proposed Improvements
- Next Steps
- Q&A



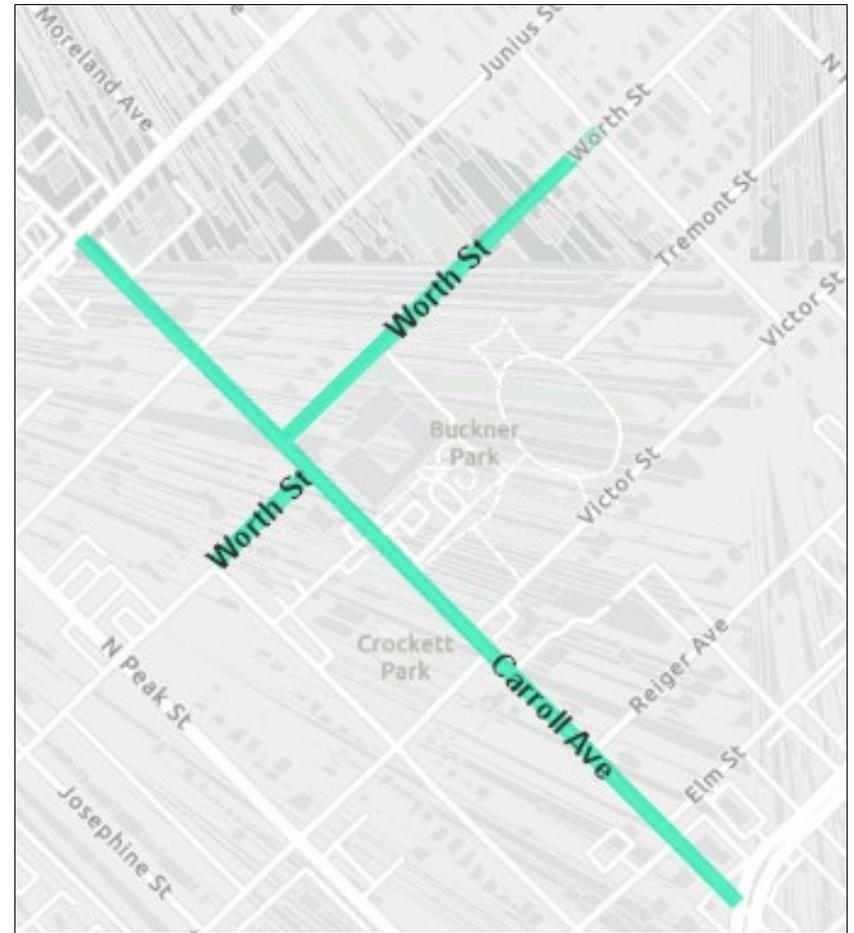
Project Purpose

Improve safety and comfort of pedestrian and bicycle facilities along Worth Street and Carroll Avenue to encourage more students and families to walk and bike to school and nearby parks and trails.



Project Overview

- **Limits:**
 - Carroll Avenue, from Elm Street to Victor Street
 - Worth Avenue, from Carroll Avenue to N Prairie Avenue
- **Proposed Scope of Work:**
 - Pedestrian and traffic calming improvements



Project Background

- **March 2020** – North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) issues a project call for the Transportation Alternatives Program
- **March 2020** – Transportation (TRN) staff met with Peak's Addition Neighborhood Association to discuss project
- **May 2020** - Staff submits project for Safe Routes to School funding
- **September 2020** – Project was awarded federal funds for construction
- **2021** – City initiates procurement process for consultant for engineering design
- **February 2022** – Project Kick-off



Project Background

Zaragoza SRTS Plan

- Completed in 2017
- Framework for project
- Identified infrastructure improvements to make it safer for students to walk and bicycle to school
 - Sidewalks
 - Curb Extensions
 - ADA improvements
 - Intersection Improvements

Ignacio Zaragoza Elementary

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Safe Routes to School Plan



2017



Existing Conditions

- Most crosswalk paving markings are faded
- Sidewalks are crumbling in many locations
- Sidewalks adjacent to school are not wide enough to accommodate peak pedestrian traffic demand
- Drivers parking close to crosswalks, driveways, and intersection at the school



Proposed Improvements

Sidewalk Improvements

- Worth Street @ Zaragoza Elementary School
 - Replace existing 4-foot sidewalk along the south side of Worth Street with a 6-foot sidewalk
- Carroll Avenue
 - Replace existing 4-foot sidewalk on east and west side of Carroll Avenue with 6-foot sidewalk
- **Traffic Calming**
 - Curb extensions and striping to shorten crossing distance and designate parking lane in front of school



Proposed Improvements

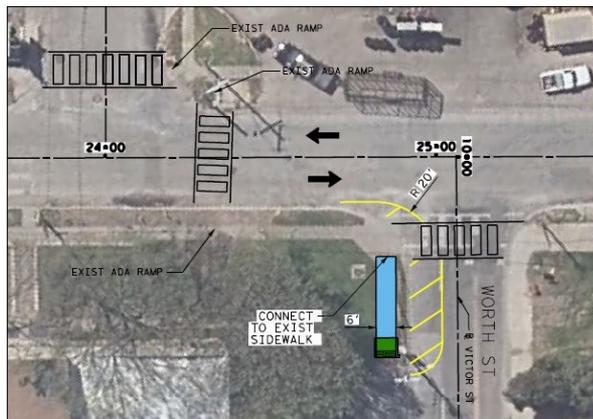
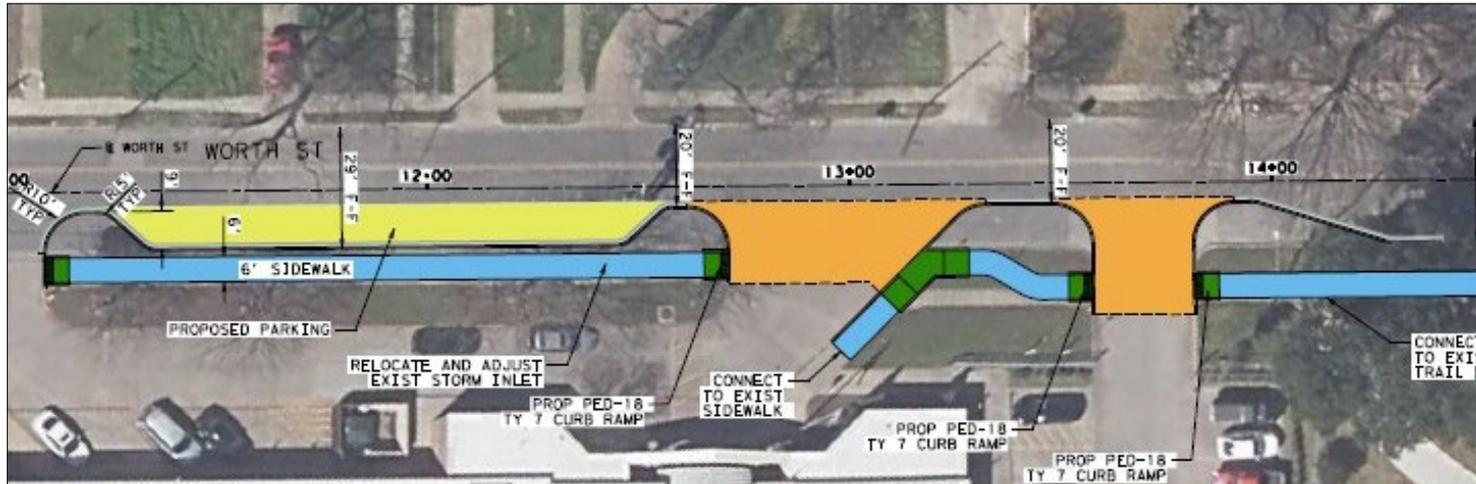
Crossings and Intersections

- Barrier-free ramps will be installed or reconstructed along all intersections and school crossings
- Driveways will be reconstructed to meet ADA compliance ensuring safe crossings
- Existing crosswalks will be painted
- New high-visibility crosswalks at intersections and mid-block will be installed if needed



Proposed Improvements

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Proposed Improvements

Carroll Avenue



Next Steps

- City to submit design to TxDOT for review with state and federal oversight
- Construction anticipated to begin **Spring 2024**



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