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**196th Street SW (SR 524) Improvement Project**

**February 2021**

**Online construction drop-in session summary**



# 196<sup>th</sup> Street SW (SR 524) Improvement Project

February 3, 2021

## Online construction drop-in session: February 3, 2021

### Background

The 196th Street (SR 524) Improvement Project hosted an hourlong public online construction drop-in session on February 3. The event was held via Zoom Video Communications. The key objectives were to introduce the public to the project, answer questions from community members, and share information about the schedule and scope of construction.

Event objectives also included:

- Informing the public of how the project will improve safety
- Raising awareness of what the public can expect during the project's various construction stages
- Providing a chance to meet and engage with the project team

The event was designed for project stakeholders, local businesses, nearby residents, the general public, and corridor travelers. The first segment of the drop-in session, comprising welcome remarks and introductions, was live; the second included a pre-recorded PowerPoint presentation; and the third was an open Q&A session during which attendees submitted questions and comments in real time.

## Event promotion

We promoted the drop-in session through the following methods:

- Mailers to just over 7,600 project area addresses
- Emails to project list with 1,706 subscribers
- Social media posts (City of Lynnwood Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter accounts)
- Project webpage updates
- City-sponsored event calendar notice

## Event accommodations

The drop-in session provided the following accommodations:

- American Sign Language interpreter on screen throughout the duration of the event
- Live closed captioning
- A virtual format to comply with COVID social distancing guidelines



Screen capture of Ellen Carpentier, American Sign Language interpreter.

## Summary

The drop-in session had nearly 50 attendees, and over 20 questions were asked and answered. Most attendees were very familiar with the project area. Comments in support of the project were received at the event and via the project inbox.

During the Q&A portion, we received questions about the following topics:

- Construction impacts
- Project scope and schedule
- Coordination with the Lynnwood Link Extension opening
- Coordination with the Northline Village Redevelopment Project
- Walking and biking safety elements
- Access and impacts to businesses
- Utility and water shutoffs

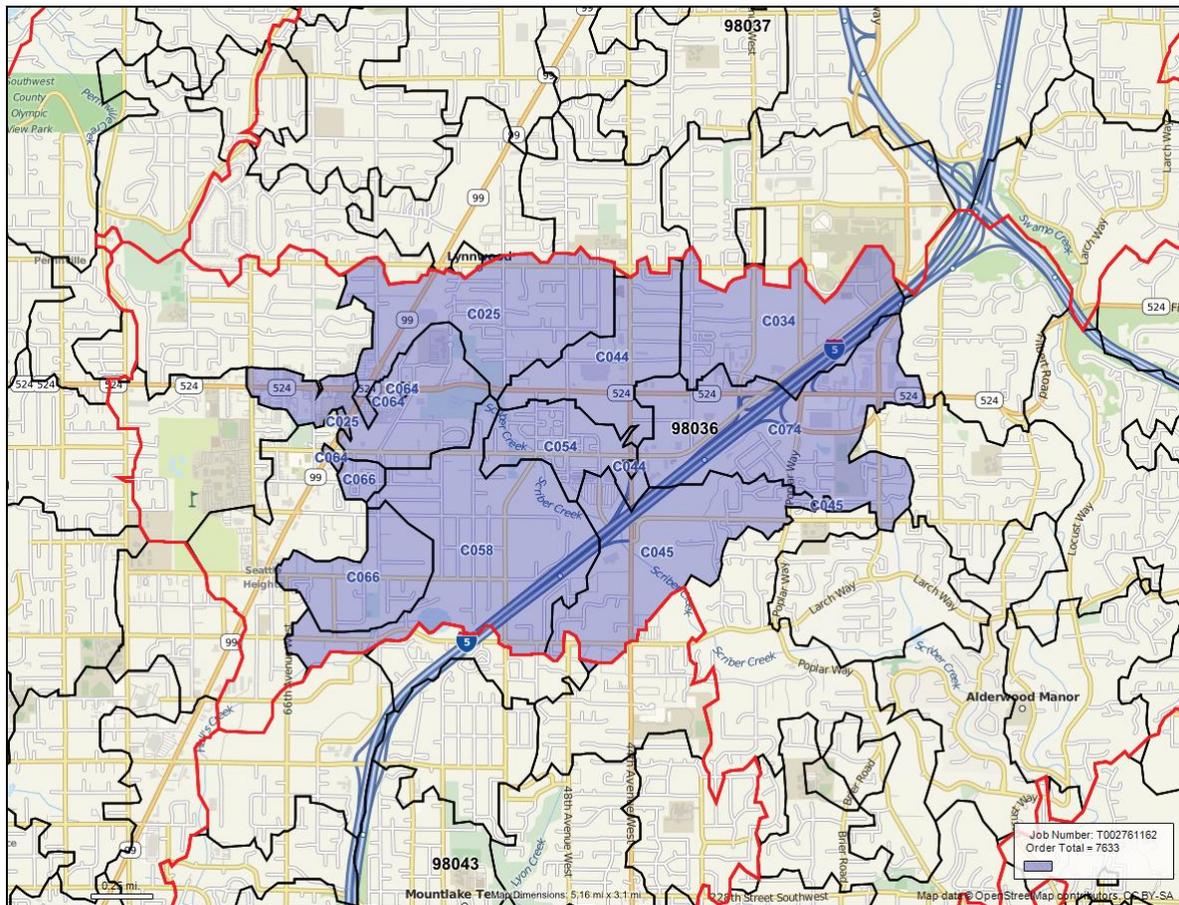
- Design elements
- Construction signage and detour information

The drop-in session's pre-recorded PowerPoint presentation included information on the following topics (see pages 9 to 11):

- Project background
- Area of work
- Project location, need, benefits, and improvements
- Utility improvements
- What we've heard so far
- Funding
- What to expect during construction
- Minimizing impacts
- Schedule
- What's next?

### Mailer boundaries

A mailer promoting the online drop-in session (see page 5) was sent to just over 7,600 addresses in and around Lynnwood within the boundaries shown on the map below.



## Mailer

Below are images of the mailer that went out to the public.



19100 44TH AVE W  
LYNNWOOD, WA 98036

If you need this information translated, please call 425-224-2440.

如果您需要把下列資訊翻譯成中文,請致電 425-224-2440

Si usted necesita esta información traducida al español por favor llame al 425-224-2440

이 정보의 번역이 필요한 경우 425-224-2440으로 전화하십시오.

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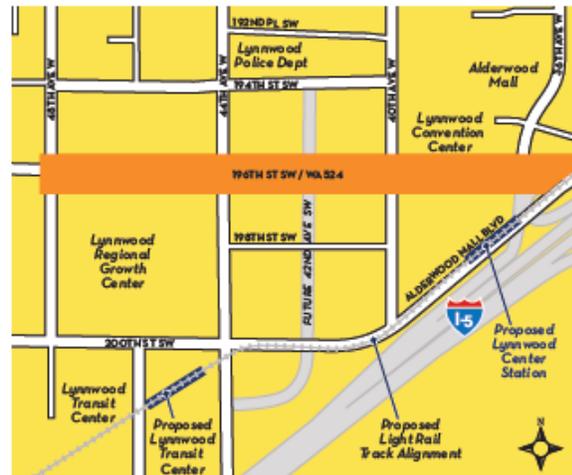


## City of Lynnwood 196th St SW (SR 524) Improvement Project

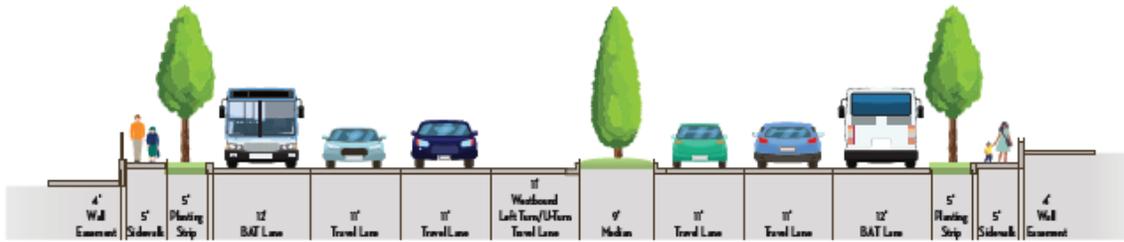
As soon as late January, we will start construction for the 196th St SW (SR 524) Improvement Project.

This project will widen 196th St SW between 48th Ave W and 36th Ave W, adding two vehicle lanes as well as an enhanced pedestrian environment with a boulevard appearance.

## CONSTRUCTION STARTING SOON!



- Project site includes the addition of single-lane eastbound and westbound business access and transit (BAT) lanes, planted medians, and widened sidewalks. BAT lanes are transit-only lanes that can be used by right-turning vehicles to access businesses.



### Project background

As one of the busiest highways in Snohomish County, 196th St SW (SR 524) carries thousands of vehicles a day. This corridor is home to hundreds of businesses, a major transit center, and a future light rail station. Planned improvements are designed to reduce traffic congestion, better accommodate bus and transit travel, increase business access, and promote safety.

#### What's happening now?

We're hosting an online construction drop-in session! Join us and:

- Learn how the project will support the City of Lynnwood's regional growth
- Participate in a Q&A discussion
- Learn about the project schedule and what to expect during construction

#### Online drop-in session details

**Wednesday, February 3, 2021**  
**5:30 to 6:30 p.m.**

To join, visit our project webpage, where you will find a clickable link:

[www.LynnwoodWA.gov/196street](http://www.LynnwoodWA.gov/196street)

Or, join directly via Zoom at:

[bit.ly/Lynnwood196thStreet](https://bit.ly/Lynnwood196thStreet)

*To request an interpreter or accessibility accommodations, please contact 425-224-2440 at least 5 working days prior to the event.*

### Project improvements

- Street and pedestrian lighting
- Conversion of the overhead power and utilities to underground
- New traffic signals
- Planted medians
- Wider sidewalks and landscape features
- New business access and transit (BAT) lanes
- New storm drainage, water quality and flow control facilities
- New water and sewer systems

### Utility improvements

This project includes the installation of new water, sewer, and stormwater systems and moving overhead utilities underground. This work will require digging in the street and sidewalks, removing old piping, reconnecting new piping, and temporarily patching the work area. Expect roadway, sidewalk, and driveway impacts and closures.

Temporary shutoffs are also required to safely complete this work. Affected neighbors will be notified at least 2 days in advance by our Public Works Department.

### What to expect during construction

Typical construction hours are weekdays, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., with weekend and night work. We will coordinate with businesses, residents, and commuters who may be affected and will provide advance notification and detour information as needed.

### Other expected impacts

- Noise and vibration
- Street and/or lane closures and detours
- Dust and debris
- Construction staging and parking impacts near work sites
- Crosswalk and sidewalk closures and detours for people walking and biking

**STAY CONNECTED:** To receive project updates, including information about the construction schedule and work, sign up for email updates on our webpage, [www.LynnwoodWA.gov/196street](http://www.LynnwoodWA.gov/196street)

**QUESTIONS?** Call 425-224-2440 or email [196street@LynnwoodWA.gov](mailto:196street@LynnwoodWA.gov)

## Social media

The event was promoted with a series of posts on the City of Lynnwood Twitter account. Additionally, an announcement was posted to the city's community events calendar.

### Twitter

 **Lynnwood Streets** @LynnwoodStreets · 18h

Save the Date!  
196th St SW (SR 524) Improvement Project - Online Drop-in Session  
Wednesday, February 3, 2021, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.  
Click the link below to join via Zoom: [bit.ly/Lynnwood196thS...](https://bit.ly/Lynnwood196thS...)  
More information:  
[Inks.gd/2/NwMMV-](https://Inks.gd/2/NwMMV-)

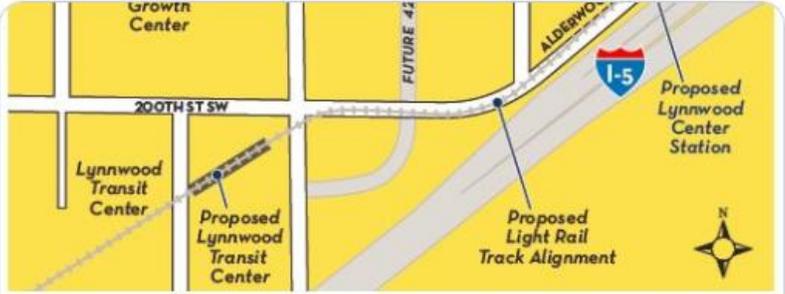


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 **Lynnwood Streets** @LynnwoodStreets · 6h

Quick Reminder! On Feb. 3rd 5:30 to 6:30pm - Online drop-in about the upcoming 196th ST SW (SR 524) Improvement Project  
[bit.ly/Lynnwood196thS...](https://bit.ly/Lynnwood196thS...)  
More details: [Inks.gd/2/PBvWmj](https://Inks.gd/2/PBvWmj)



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## 196th ST SW (SR524) Improvement Project Online Drop-In

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This event will discuss the 196th ST Improvement Project as Construction is scheduled to begin in February.



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# 196th ST SW (SR524) Improvement Project Online Drop-In

ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2021,  
5:30PM CLICK THE LINK TO JOIN VIA  
ZOOM: [HTTP://BIT.LY/LYNNWOOD196TH  
STREET](http://bit.ly/lynnwood196thstreet)

- Learn about how this project will help to accommodate future growth in Lynnwood's City Center
- Participate in a Q&A discussion
- Learn about the project schedule and what to expect during construction



### Event Snapshot

#### Cost

Free

#### Contact

City of Lynnwood  
[425-224-2440](tel:425-224-2440)  
[196street@lynnwoodwa.gov](mailto:196street@lynnwoodwa.gov)

## When

### Past event dates

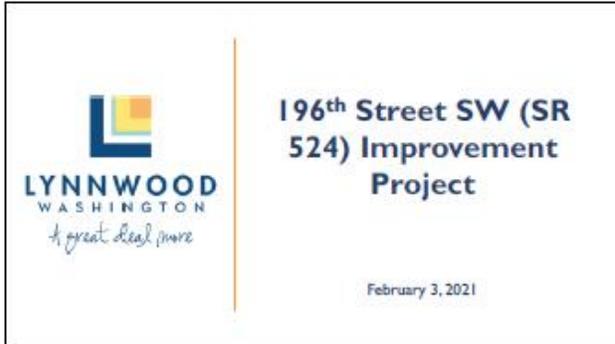
Wednesday, February 03, 2021 | 05:30 PM - 06:30 PM

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[Open House / Public Meeting](#)

## PowerPoint presentation slides

The second segment of the drop-in session featured a pre-recorded PowerPoint presentation composed of the slides below.



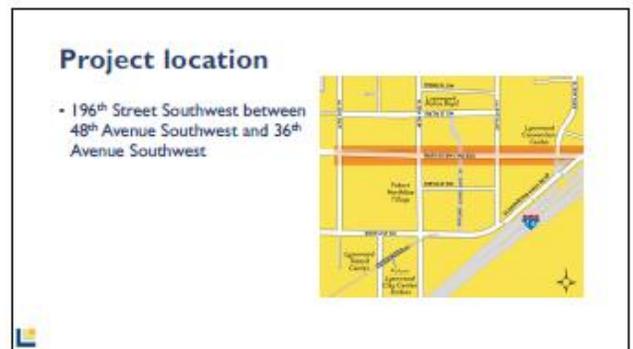
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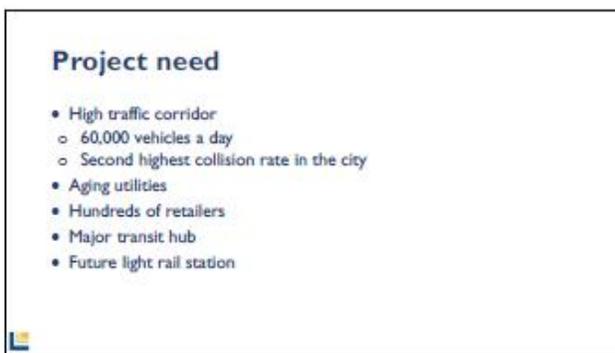
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## Project improvements

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## Utility improvements

- Installation of new water, sewer, and stormwater systems
- Temporary shutoffs are required to safely complete this work
- Expect roadway, sidewalk, and driveway impacts and closures



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## What we've heard so far

- Community support for project
- Support for reduced congestion
- Interest in walking and biking improvements for all ages and abilities
- Interest in right-of-way coordination with businesses and property owners
- Questions about maintenance of center lane planters, and how they impact visibility between east- and westbound lanes
- Concerns about loss of parking and driveway access to businesses



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## Funding

- The City received a \$1,730,000 federal grant to complete design and \$24,624,000 from state and federal grants from regional sources for right of way and construction.



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## What to expect during construction

- Construction hours 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays
- Weekend and nighttime work
- Advanced coordination with businesses, residents, and commuters
- Noise and vibration
- Street and/or lane closures and detours
- Dust and debris
- Crosswalk and sidewalk closures, and detours for people walking and biking

Project webpage: [www.LynnwoodWA.gov/196Street](http://www.LynnwoodWA.gov/196Street)



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## Minimizing impacts

- Advance notice
- Answer questions
- Clear communication and signage
- Contact info:
  - Email: [196street@LynnwoodWA.gov](mailto:196street@LynnwoodWA.gov)
  - Construction hotline: 425-224-2440
  - Webpage: [www.LynnwoodWA.gov/196street](http://www.LynnwoodWA.gov/196street)



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## Schedule

- Winter 2021 to winter 2023



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## What's next?

- Sewer work between 48<sup>th</sup> Ave W and 40<sup>th</sup> Ave W, working east
- Clearing project site
- Signal timing modifications
- Conversion of overhead utilities to underground



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## Stay connected

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## Thank you!

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