



## Frequently Asked Questions

### Q. What work is included in the project, and when will construction begin?

A. Currently a two-lane roadway, NW 48th Street will be designed as a four-lane divided road between West O Street and Highway 34. Design of the project is scheduled to start in the spring of 2013 and be substantially complete by the end of 2014. Construction for the segment between West O Street and West Adams Street (including the West Adams Street intersection) is tentatively scheduled to take place in 2015, depending on completion of the right-of-way acquisition process. The segment between West Adams Street and Highway 34 is not scheduled for construction at this time, but preliminary design plans and environmental reviews will be completed.

### Q. How is the project being funded?

A. The project is locally funded through a combination of impact fee revenues and wheel tax dollars.

### Q. Is the public involved in this process, and how can I get involved?

A. Public involvement and feedback is highly encouraged throughout the design process. Four public open houses have been scheduled, tentatively set for May 2013, December 2013, and early 2015, along with dozens of individual meetings with project stakeholders. More information on ways you can participate can be found on the [www.nw48street.com](http://www.nw48street.com) website's Public Involvement page. Please don't hesitate to contact the design team at any time during the project with comments or questions. Contact information can be found on the website's Contact Us page. You also can follow project progress by following @nw48thstreet on twitter or by signing up for our RSS feed on the project website.

### Q. Does this project include the Diverging Diamond Interchange design for the I-80/NW 48th Street interchange? When will that project be under construction?

A. No, the interstate interchange is a Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) project, and the NW 48th Street roadway project is a City of Lincoln project. They are separate projects, but we are coordinating with NDOR. The interchange is currently scheduled to be under construction in 2014 and completed in 2015, while the NW 48th Street project begins construction in 2015. NDOR's project schedule depends on the availability of funds for the project. If you have further questions on the NDOR project, please contact Brian Johnson, NDOR project manager, at [brian.johnson@nebraska.gov](mailto:brian.johnson@nebraska.gov) or 402.479.3990.

### Q. Why is initial construction stopping at West Adams Street?

A. The Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization developed seven goals for the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan. (A link to this plan is provided on the project website.) All segments included in the City's Arterial Street System were prioritized using those seven goals and NW 48th Street from West O Street to West Adams Street ranked as the next segment needing to be constructed. The remaining section of NW 48th Street to the north of West Adams Street is further down on the priority list, but preliminary design plans and environmental reviews will still be completed at this time to provide better project coordination between the segments and also with future development plans for the area. The City also is exploring possible options to mill the existing surface between West Adams Street and West Fletcher Avenue and overlay it with asphalt as a separate project.

### Q. When will the public and businesses know about property acquisition and easements?

A. The City plans to have preliminary right-of-way and easement needs identified by December 2013. This information will be available for review and discussion at the open house currently scheduled for that time. One-on-One meetings can also be scheduled to discuss any impacts to specific properties. The City plans to finalize the right-of-way and easement needs by January 2014 and begin the appraisal process. More information on the acquisition process is available in the Right-of-Way Acquisition and Your Property pamphlet on the City's website. Business owners may also refer to Coping with Construction – A Guide for Lincoln Businesses.

### Q. How will this project affect my access to my home or business?

A. The project will be designed with the goal of minimizing access disruptions during construction. Since NW 48th Street is a major arterial street with limited detour options, the design team will look at maintaining traffic and access during construction using the existing and/or temporary driving lanes. At times, however, access restrictions may be required.

# NW 48th Street Project

Public Meeting #1 - February 28, 2013

## Welcome!

Tonight's public meeting is an open house, so please view the displays, ask questions, and provide your feedback to the design professionals here tonight or provide feedback via the questionnaire. Your comments are needed as we begin the design process.

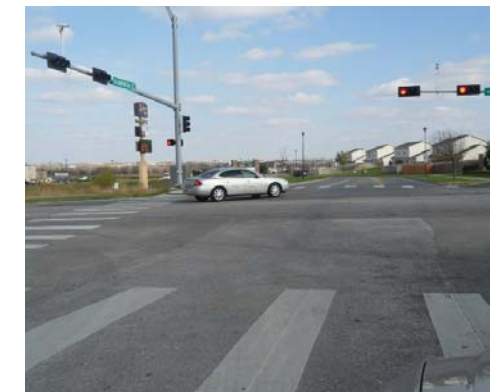


## Stay Involved in the Project

NW 48th Street is an important arterial connector for the entire community. Whether you're a business owner, a resident in the area, or a member of the traveling public, several opportunities exist for you to get involved and provide feedback on this project.

It is always a priority to work with businesses and residents in the project area. If you have questions about this project, please contact either Erika Nunes or Ryan Kosola (contact info below).

As future public meetings are announced, details will be posted on the project website, [www.nw48street.com](http://www.nw48street.com), and local residents will receive postcard meeting announcements. Additional meetings are tentatively planned for May 2013, December 2013, and January 2015.



## About the Project

Design will begin soon on Lincoln's NW 48th Street roadway improvement project. Currently a two-lane roadway, NW 48th Street will be designed as a four-lane divided road between West O Street and Highway 34. Design of the project is scheduled to start this spring and be substantially complete by the end of 2014.

Construction for the segment between West O Street and West Adams Street is tentatively scheduled to take place in 2015, depending on the right-of-way acquisition process. The segment between West Adams Street and Highway 34 is not scheduled for construction at this time, but preliminary design plans will be completed.

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## Tentative Schedule - *Subject to Change*

January 2013

Project kicks off; survey and field work begin

February 28, 2013

**First public meeting** to gather initial public feedback

March 2013

Engineering design begins

May 2013

**Second public meeting** to present alignment alternatives and receive public comments

December 2013

**Third public meeting** to review project progress, present final roadway alignment, and show right-of-way and easements that will need to be acquired

2014

Right-of-way appraisals, negotiation, and acquisition

End of 2014

Design and right-of-way acquisition is substantially complete; city advertises for construction bids

Early 2015

Contractor selected

Early 2015

**Fourth public meeting** to review construction phasing and final plans

Early 2015

Construction for the segment between West O Street and West Adams Street begins

End of 2015

Construction for the segment between West O Street and West Adams Street is substantially complete

TBD

Construction for West Adams Street to Highway 34 begins (funding dependent)

*\*Please note: All dates are estimates at this time and are subject to change.*

