School/Roscoe Neighborhood Greenway

Alderman Tunney – 44th Ward Community Meeting
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Agenda

• Overview Presentation
  – Complete Streets
  – What is a Neighborhood Greenway?
  – Project Background
  – Design Elements
  – Project Schedule

• General Q/A
Chicago Complete Streets Policy

• Accommodate the safety and convenience of all users
  – Pedestrians, bicyclists, transit, freight, and motorists
• Balances design so that even the most vulnerable users (children, elderly, and persons with disabilities) can travel safely within the public right of way
Streets for Cycling Plan 2020

Citywide plan for a world-class network of bike routes that are safe and comfortable for all Chicagoans

- Released in 2012
- Over 600-mile network of Neighborhood Bike Routes, Crosstown Bike Routes, and Spoke Routes
- Bike facility within ½ mile of every Chicagoan
Streets for Cycling Plan 2020

Streets for Cycling Plan 2020
Bikeway Network
What is a Neighborhood Greenway?

- Residential street prioritized for people walking, biking, and living on the street
- Low-stress connection to neighborhood destinations
- Pavement markings, signs, and traffic calming to reduce motor vehicle speeds and cut-through traffic
Project Background and Goals

Project History
• Streets for Cycling Plan 2020 (2012)
• 44th Ward Community Requests (2013 – 2015)
• Community Task Force Meetings (2016 – 2017)

Project Goals
• Formalize a low-stress east/west route through the ward by identifying and improving streets people are riding on

• Create a corridor that results in consistent motor vehicle speeds and reduces cut-through traffic

• Provide access for people walking and biking to the Lakefront, CTA stations, neighborhood commercial corridors, popular north/south bike routes, and other neighborhood destinations
Segment 1: Lincoln to Clark

- Connection to existing bikeways on Lincoln, Southport, and Clark
- Access to Margaret Donahue Park, Hawthorne School, and existing neighborhood commercial corridors
- Considered one-way pairs vs. two-way bikeway on one street
Design Elements: Pavement Markings & Signs
Design Elements: Bike Lane

School / Roscoe – Typical Cross-Section

- Roscoe – Lincoln to Lake Shore Drive
- School / Aldine – Greenview to Lake Shore Drive
Design Elements: Bike Boxes

- School – at Lincoln and Ashland
- Roscoe – at Broadway
Design Elements: Curb Extensions

- School – at Southport, Lakewood, Racine, Sheffield, and Clark
- Aldine – at Broadway
Design Elements: Sinusoidal Speed Humps

- School – Ashland to Greenview, Greenview to Southport, Southport to Lakewood, and at Margaret Donahue Park
- Aldine – Clark to Halsted, Halsted to Broadway, Broadway to LSD
Design Elements: Raised Crosswalk

- School – at Clifton (Hawthorne School)
20 MPH Speed Limit
School St – Lincoln to Ashland
School St – at Margaret Donahue Park
Segment 2: Clark to the Lakefront Trail

- Connection to existing bikeways on Clark and Halsted
- Access to the Lakefront Trail, Nettelhorst School, and existing neighborhood commercial corridors
- Challenging crossings at Broadway and Inner Lake Shore Drive
- Bike box on Roscoe at Broadway
- Raised contraflow bike lane
- 3 parking spaces removed
- 4 parking spaces relocated
- Southbound bus stop relocated
Looking North on Broadway
• New stop sign
• Bus stops removed
• New curb extensions
• Northbound bike lane
Roscoe / Aldine at Inner Lake Shore Drive

Looking South on Inner Lake Shore Drive

Looking North on Inner Lake Shore Drive
Roscoe / Aldine at Inner Lake Shore Drive

- Bike crossing markings
- New curb cuts and ADA ramps
- Full block curb extension
- Northbound bus stop removal at Aldine
- Bus shelter relocation at Roscoe
- New traffic signal at Roscoe
Next Steps

• Tonight: General Q/A

• Phase II Approval: Winter 2017/2018

• Project Advertisement: Winter/Spring 2018

• Construction: Spring / Summer 2018
Thank You!

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