

18TH AVE S BRIDGE OVER MIDTOWN GREENWAY

Improving the condition of the bridge and providing safe connections for all



Project background

Constructed in 1916, the 18th Ave S bridge over the Midtown Greenway is planned to be improved with design and construction planned over the next few years. Motor vehicle use over the bridge has been restricted to a single lane and the bridge was load-posed to 26 tons in February of 2024, due to structural concerns. It remains open for pedestrians and bicyclists.

The bridge is located within the Railroad Grade Separation Historic District and is recognized as an important connection for the community as it supports access over and to the Midtown Greenway and businesses on Lake Street. The project will engage with many stakeholders, including the Lake Street Council, Midtown Greenway Coalition, and Four Sisters Urban Farm.

Learn more

Visit our webpage online at:

www.minneapolismn.gov/government/projects/18th-ave-s-bridge-midtown-greenway/



Our Goals



SAFER CONDITIONS FOR WALKING AND ROLLING



IMPROVED ROUTES FOR BIKING AND ROLLING



MORE WAYS TO GET AROUND FOR EVERYONE



INCREASED FOOT AND BICYCLE TRAFFIC FOR LOCAL BUSINESSES

Existing conditions



CURRENT

Reduced vehicular lane and load posting



CURRENT

Deteriorating concrete and reinforcing on bridge underside

Transportation Action Plan

This project is aligned with the Transportation Action Plan, the city's vision for safer, greener and more modern streets that serve all people and all the ways they want to get around.

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Daily users

Source: City of Minneapolis (Ped/Bike under bridge 2016, Vehicular 2018)



Pedestrians
>100 (on bridge)
>200 (under bridge)



Bicyclists
>100 (on bridge)
>400 (under bridge)



Motor vehicles
>1600

Project schedule (breakdown)

2024	2025	2026	2027
Planning	Design	Construction	Completion

Fall 2023 – Summer 2024: Public Works will collect data.

Fall 2024 – Spring 2025: Public Works will initiate communications, engagement with the public and will develop a concept cross section of the bridge deck.

Summer 2025: Public Works to provide a recommended concept of the bridge deck for the 18th Ave. bridge over the Midtown Greenway.

Fall 2026 – Fall 2027: Implementation of improvements to the 18th Ave. bridge.