

Update on the 7th Street Connection Project

Urban Design Enhancements



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PROJECT MAP: 7th Street Connection Project

The 7th Street Connection Project is located on **7th Street** from **Mandela Parkway** to **Martin Luther King Jr. Way**.



PROJECT GOALS

- Improved **safety** on 7th Street for residents and others who travel on 7th Street by walking, rolling, biking, taking transit, and driving
- Improved **accessibility** for persons with disabilities
- **Calmer vehicle speeds**
- A **greener** 7th Street, with many more trees to:
 - Improve air quality and reduce exposure to air pollution
 - Provide shade and help keep 7th Street comfortable on hot days
- Reflect community **needs and desires** for 7th Street

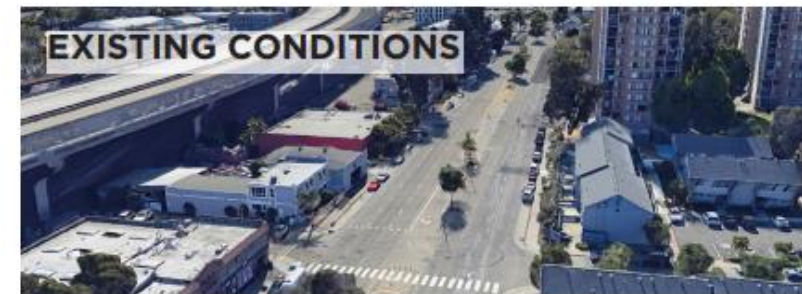


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IMPROVEMENTS DELIVERED THROUGH PROJECT

- Protected bike lane on both sides of 7th Street
- Pedestrian improvements, including crosswalk improvements
- Transit boarding islands for bus riders
- More pedestrian lighting
- New street trees and landscaping



PROJECT TIMELINE

Timeline	Actions
Fall 2023	• Project kicks off
Fall and Winter 2023	• Community engagement to inform 35% designs
Spring and Summer 2024	• Community engagement on trees, historical markers, art
Feb 2025	• Final designs (100%)
2026-2027	• Continue to keep the community engaged with project updates and what to expect during construction
2027	• Construction starts
2030	• Construction is complete

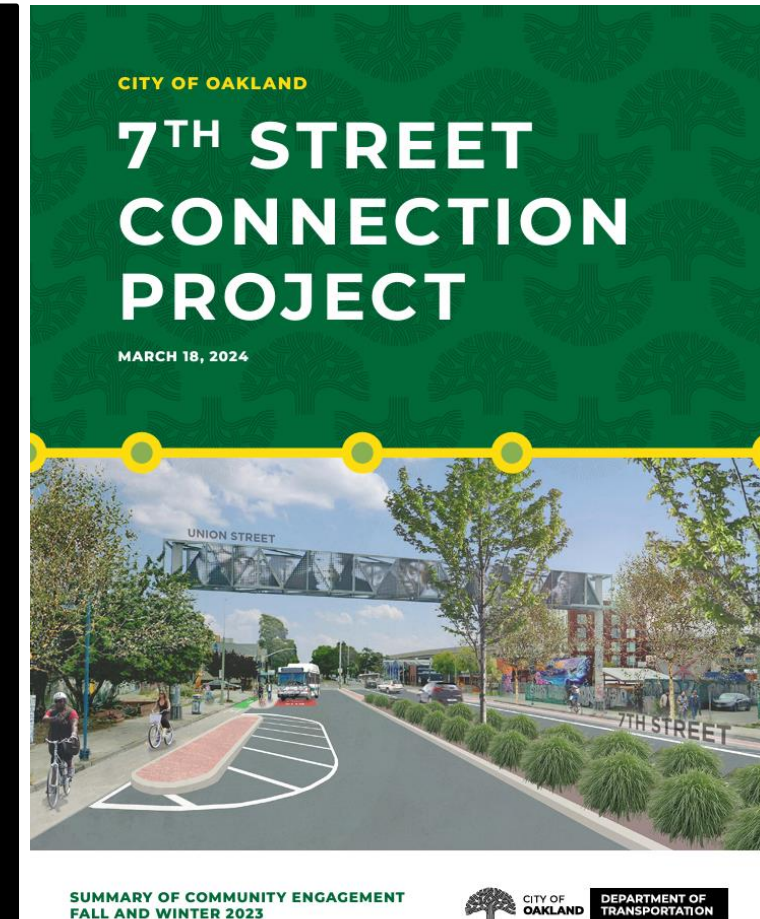
7TH STREET: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Fall and Winter 2023 Recap



Check out the full report that summarizes project background, community engagement activities in Fall and Winter 2023, and how feedback was incorporated into the project:

www.oaklandca.gov/7thstreet



SPRING AND SUMMER 2024 ENGAGEMENT

Aims:

- *Provide updates on the project*
- *Seek input on art, historical markers, greening, and lighting*

ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES TO DATE

5/28/2024	7th Street Thrives Meeting
6/6/2024	Acorn Neighborhood Council
6/27/2024	Launch online survey
7/2/2024	Walk corridor and talk to businesses
8/6/2024	National Night Out at Defremery Park
9/4/2024	Prescott Elementary Coffee Hour
9/9/2024	Oak Center Neighborhood Association meeting
9/13/2024	(TODAY) CAC meeting



ENHANCING THE CORRIDOR THROUGH URBAN DESIGN

We want to explore how to **integrate history and culture** into the design of the corridor through:

- **Art**
- **Historical markers**

We also want to hear your ideas on how to make 7th Street comfortable and inviting by adding **trees and landscaping**.

Options for urban design elements are informed by prior community engagement activities for this project.



Fruitvale Transit Village, Credit: Project for Public Spaces



Jack London Square, Credit: 510 Families