## Business Owner Notification Business Center Drive Improvements

## **INTRODUCTION:**

Business Center Drive from Rand Road to Feehanville Drive as well as Wheeling Road from Business Center Drive to Kensington Road will be resurfaced as part of the 2023 Resurfacing Program. With this resurfacing, the Village is considering a reconfiguration of Business Center Drive from <a href="Harvest Lane to Wheeling Road">Harvest Lane to Wheeling Road</a>. This would include reducing Business Center Drive from four through lanes to two through lanes along with a two-way left turn lane and bike lanes. The width of the roadway and access to businesses would not change. The changes would be made with new painted lane markings.

This project is in support of two key components of the Village's Strategic Plan; to have well-designed roads and to create a complete pedestrian infrastructure network that promotes multi-modal transportation options and meets the goals of our Complete Streets Policy. The Village recently completed a study and determined the changes will not affect traffic flow since the lane configuration at the intersections (at Rand Road and at Wheeling Road) within the project limits will not change. Construction is anticipated in late summer or early fall 2023.

Pedestrian and Bike Improvements are also included:

- The existing sidewalk on the west side of Business Center Drive between Rand Road and Harvest Lane is proposed to be widened to accommodate bikes.
- The crosswalk at Business Center Drive and Harvest Lane is proposed to be moved to the north side of the intersection and a bump out installed. This will allow traffic exiting Menards and heading to Rand Road to avoid conflicts with the crosswalk and reduces the crossing width to increase safety for pedestrians.
- A new bike path is proposed along Harvest Lane connecting to the existing business park trails.
- Bus stop pads are proposed to be constructed.
- Existing bike lanes on Wheeling Road and Business Center Drive will be upgraded to buffered bike lanes.
- A median is proposed to be constructed at the existing mid-block crossing.

Easements would be required from three properties for the sidewalk improvements. The Village will reach out separately to these property owners to discuss the impact.



More information, including exhibits showing all improvements, is available on the Village Website; <a href="https://www.mountprospect.org/departments/public-works/village-infrastructure-projects/business-center-drive-road-diet">https://www.mountprospect.org/departments/public-works/village-infrastructure-projects/business-center-drive-road-diet</a>, or with the QR code below. This project will be presented at the Transportation Safety Commission Meeting on Monday April 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at the Emergency Operations Center at Public Works. All are invited to attend to learn about the project and provide comments.

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## QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS - DUE APRIL 7TH

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact the Public Works Department by email at <a href="mailto:publicworksdept@mountprospect.org">publicworksdept@mountprospect.org</a> or by phone at (847) 870-5640. You can also complete the attached comment sheet and return it to Public Works.

The Village welcomes your input.





