



# Centennial Boulevard Reconstruction Project

## CONSTRUCTION ANNOUNCEMENT

## Centennial Boulevard construction starts soon

The City of Colorado Springs and Kiewit Infrastructure Co. will begin the major road improvement project in late August. Except during a planned winter shut-down, sections of Centennial Boulevard between Garden of the Gods Road and Fillmore Street will be under construction through fall 2017.

Work is anticipated to be substantially complete in the north section, between Garden of the Gods Road and Chesham Circle, in November. When crews return in the spring, similar work will occur from Chesham Circle south to Windmill Avenue. Ultimately, the entire corridor from Garden of the Gods Road to Fillmore Street will be improved.

### Lane restrictions start the week of August 29

Centennial Boulevard will be reconstructed in segments to minimize disruption and traffic impacts. Motorists should expect one lane to remain open in both direction of Centennial Boulevard between Garden of the Gods Road and Chesham Circle starting as soon as the week of August 29, weather-permitting.

Once traffic controls are modified to accommodate this new pattern,

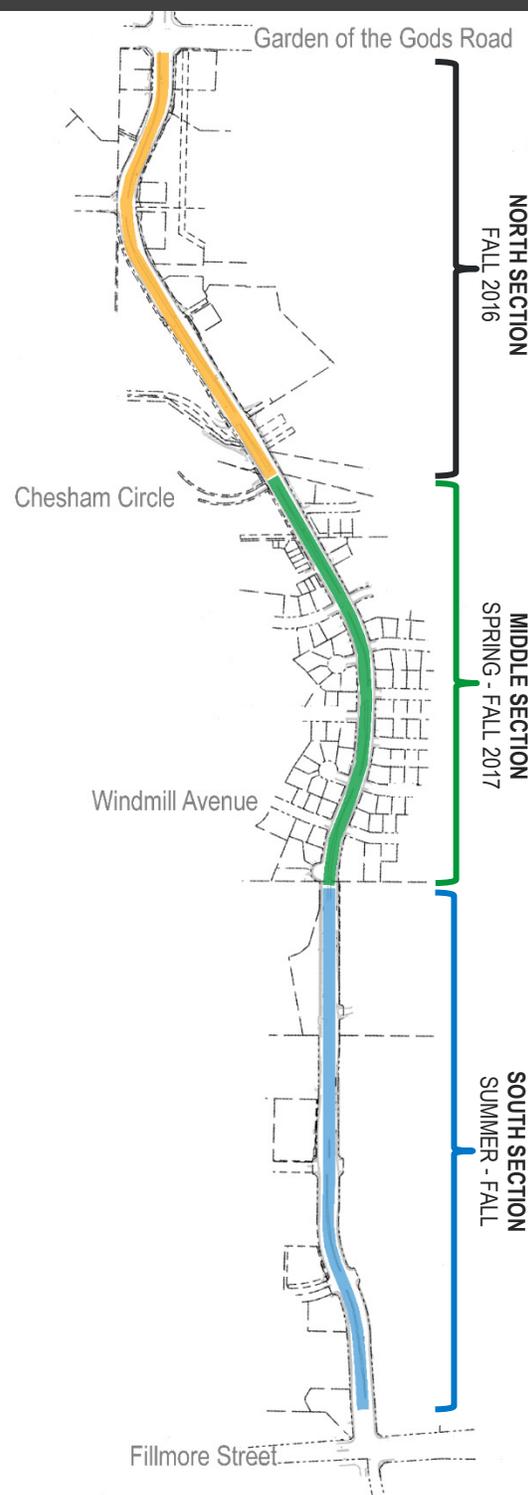
southbound traffic will shift east of the median, to create a work zone on the west side of the road. Access to all businesses will be provided.

After work on the west side is complete, all traffic will then shift onto the newly completed section in order to perform similar work on the east side of the road. Both northbound and southbound traffic will remain in a single-lane configuration until work is complete north of Chesham Circle.

Bike lanes will be temporarily removed within the active work zone. Cyclists and pedestrians will be detoured to the sidewalk along the east side of the road. Sinton Trail underneath Centennial Boulevard will remain open through most of the work. However, trail access between the west side of Centennial Boulevard and the trail will be temporarily closed.

Metro Transit will continue to operate along the corridor. Service at some stops may be temporarily discontinued during construction and redirected to adjacent stops. Visit the project website for more detailed information regarding travel impacts.

Over the winter, Centennial Boulevard will return to two lanes in each direction until work resumes in the spring.



## Reconstruction project will improve ride quality, sidewalks and bike lanes

Motorists will experience a smoother ride on Centennial Boulevard after the road is reconstructed to correct road grades and modify drainage facilities. The new design raises the center of the road to establish a proper slope, which will direct storm water to new curb, gutter and drainage features. New medians north of Chesham Circle and near Windmill Avenue will create a gateway feature approaching the residential portion of the corridor. The new design provides residents between Chesham Circle and Windmill Avenue with direct access to side streets, eliminates unnecessary U-turns and provides vehicles with an area to wait to enter or exit traffic.

Pedestrians and cyclists will also benefit from improved conditions. Curb ramps and damaged sidewalks will be upgraded throughout the corridor. Missing sidewalk segments will be constructed with the project. When complete, Centennial Boulevard will have a continuous sidewalk on both sides of the street between Garden of the Gods Road and Fillmore Street. Buffered bike lanes, which will add separation between adjacent vehicle traffic, are also part of the project.

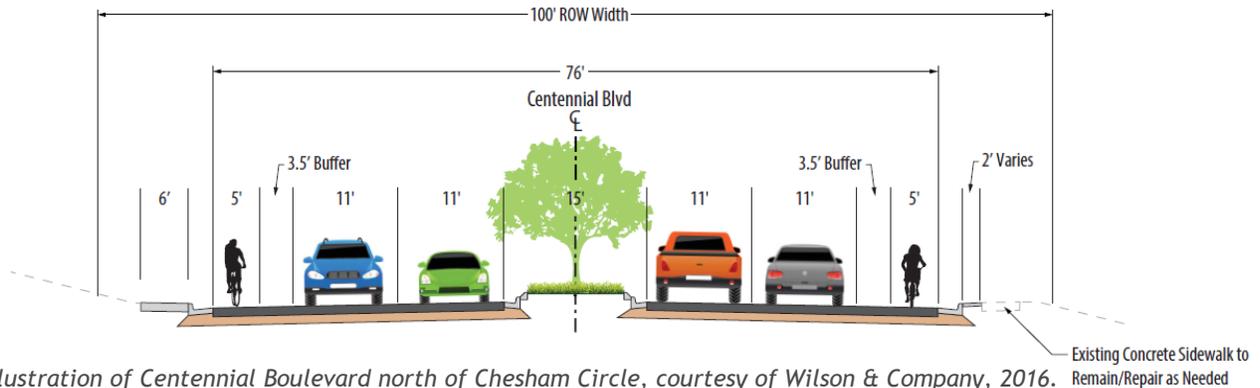


Illustration of Centennial Boulevard north of Chesham Circle, courtesy of Wilson & Company, 2016. Existing Concrete Sidewalk to Remain/Repair as Needed

## Project Background

Centennial Boulevard is an important north-south connection on the west side of the City. The last major work on the corridor occurred more than 25 years ago. Making vital infrastructure improvements now benefits current users and is consistent with the city’s long-range transportation vision. Plans are underway to extend Centennial Boulevard south of Fillmore Street to the I-25 & Fontanero Street interchange.

In 2015, the City hired Wilson & Company to analyze existing roadway conditions, recommend repairs and prepare construction plans to improve travel and public safety. Two public meetings were held earlier this year to provide citizens and business owners an opportunity to review and comment on the improvement concepts. The final design incorporates input received during the design phase. The \$9-million project is funded by the Pikes Peak Rural Transportation Authority.

## Stay Connected

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## Project Schedule

