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## Public Meeting - North Main Street Project

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### Summary

- This was an engaging meeting that drew strong public interest with about 80 to 100 people.
- The meeting was informal, so there were no speakers or introductions. The meeting was more like a meet and greet.
- City of Akron Project Manager Rob Solomon and members of the [Environmental Design Group](#) were present.

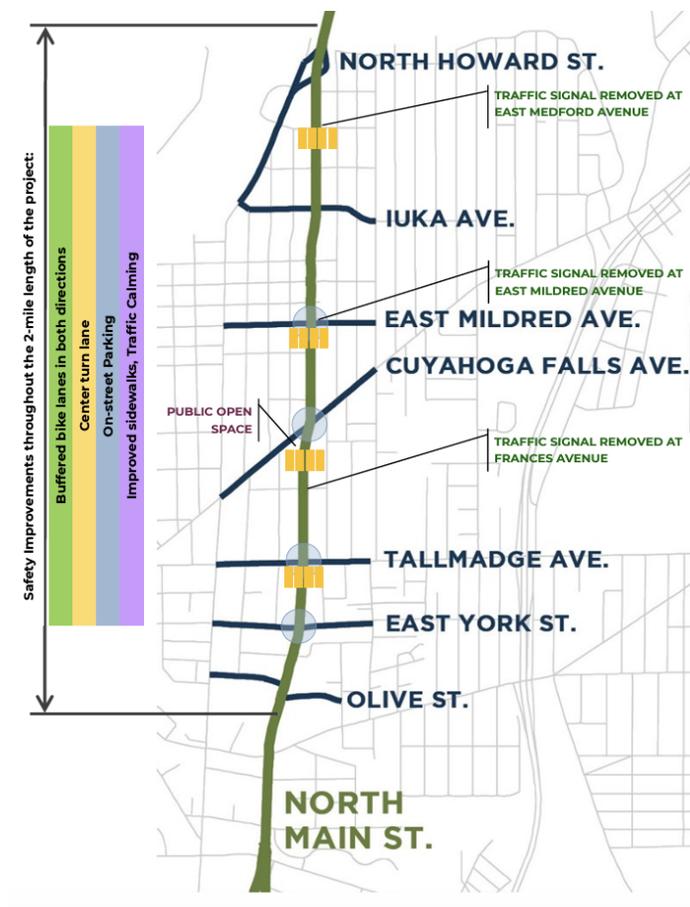
### Follow-Up Questions

- What happened prior to this meeting?
- Will the concerns of residents be addressed at a future meeting before construction begins in 2025?

### Notes

- To learn more about the project and to leave feedback for city planners, go [here](#).
- People were lined up prior to the meeting to sign in and to review design plans for the [North Main Street project](#) that were set up on multiple boards around the room.
- Drawings of the project with buffered bike lanes and curb extensions from the All American Bridge and the High-Level Bridge over the Gorge were available for view on a table. Plans also included traffic signals that would be removed entirely and/or have flashing lights added. Pedestrian crossings and traffic patterns were also shown.
- Participants shared feedback and concerns with city and design staff members around the room. Some concerns overheard include:

- The flow of traffic around the schools during construction and afterwards.
  - Some school teachers worried that the design of the traffic patterns might cause havoc for parents who drop off and pick their children up from school.
  - Some residents expressed concern over parking being permitted on both sides of the street on Main Street, which could hinder their vision when exiting their driveways.
  - A school employee suggested additional crossing guards be hired for the safety of the children. This same employee also suggested speed tables be utilized after the project is completed.
- Overall the meeting seemed informative enough for some but not for others. Members of the design group promised to address the concerns of those present by requesting emails be sent from the handout provided. Each attendee was also asked for their email address.



This map from the project plan shows the scope of the project in North Hill from Olive Street to North Howard Street.

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