

Telephone Town Hall – Thursday, December 5, 2024

We appreciate everyone who participated in the City Council Telephone Town Hall—including the 420 participants who joined the call. The majority of questions were answered during the event, which you can find a recording in both English and Spanish.

The remaining questions that were not addressed are listed below.

We are finalizing our community engagement events for 2025 and look forward to connecting with our residents at a variety of events in the new year!

Question: Why did the City stop using a front-end loader at the limb drop off events?

A. City staff still use a front-end loader to load mulch into personal vehicles during limb drop off/recycling events. However, staff did discontinue front-end loader use for removal of limbs, branches, and materials from personal vehicles due to liability concerns and risk of damage to personal vehicles of participants (e.g. scratches, scrapes, etc.).

Question: What is the City's plan regarding traffic mitigation and control near Belleview Christian school near the Uplands development, specifically for Lowell, Federal, and 88th, especially during rush hour to help with traffic?

A. Any work or closures on Lowell Boulevard between 82nd Avenue and 88th Avenue are being performed by the Uplands contractor for the installation of public infrastructure. The City works with the developer and contractors to the best of our ability to minimize full roadway closures and/or intermittent lane closures. Staff will pass along your concern about rush hour traffic in particular to the developer.

In addition, the work on Federal Boulevard is a separate project. The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) is installing raised medians to increase vehicular safety along the corridor. CDOT manages the schedule and all construction activities for this work on Federal. You can contact them at the following link: Contact CDOT | Get Help & Resources — Colorado Department of Transportation

In case this information is helpful, construction activity near the Uplands development will result in transportation infrastructure improvements in the area. A Traffic Impact Analysis was completed with the Uplands Development and was reviewed and approved by the City and CDOT.

Upgrades for the area include:



- Lowell Blvd. to receive curb/gutter/sidewalk from 82nd Ave. to 88th Ave., bike lanes in both directions and left turn lanes at the 84th Ave./Lowell Blvd. intersection. The left turn lanes will help with congestion that the community has experienced in the past when there were no separate left turn lanes.
- 84th Ave. to receive curb/gutter/sidewalk from Lowell Blvd. to Federal Blvd.
- 88th Ave. to receive curb/gutter/sidewalk from Lowell Blvd. to Federal Blvd. along the south side.
- Federal Blvd. will receive curb/gutter/sidewalk from 88th Ave. to 84th Ave.
- Upgraded signals at 84th Ave./Lowell Blvd., 88th Ave./Federal Blvd. and 84th Ave./Federal Blvd. with a new signalized intersection at 86th Ave./Federal Blvd.