

Carrier Park Mobility Plan

Executive Summary

This project focuses on the residential and commercial area around Carrier Circle in the Town of DeWitt, with the goal of proposing improvements that will make this area more conducive to biking and walking. The development of the Carrier Park Complex has added a significant new destination for pedestrians and cyclists in this area, prompting an examination of sidewalks, trails, and intersection crossings. The study area is bounded by major transportation corridors: Thompson Road (State Route 635), Carrier Parkway (Route 298), Fly Road, and Exeter Street/ Kirkville Road.

The study area's overall character does not match up well with what most people think of as a walkable district. The Carrier Circle area does not have the pedestrian scale of a village core or an urban neighborhood near a shopping district. However, this area is well positioned for future redevelopment as the kind of employment center that many other communities are trying to establish. It has proximity to major highways, vacant land zoned for industrial use, residential neighborhoods, and the added benefit of a large concentration of hotel and motel rooms, which can provide a built-in market for small-scale retail and restaurants.

Additionally, the study area is home to the Carrier Park Field of Dreams – a unique resource in the region. The park currently has two fully handicapped accessible baseball diamonds, designed to be used by athletes with special needs. There are plans to expand this to a total of nine tournament quality fields.

Turning the study area into a live-work center, with a wide variety of walkable destinations, would involve a much more extensive planning effort, including re-envisioning the area with more residents and a different land use pattern. In the short-term, this plan proposes a set of improvements to make walking and biking safer and more attractive (see Figure S1). Proposed improvements include:

Phase One, 2018 - 2020

- Kinne Street / Route 298 intersection improvements;
- Improvements to Franklin Park Drive / Kinne Street intersection: crosswalks and pedestrian signals;
- Old Collamer Road / Court Street Road mini-roundabout;

- Kinne Street road diet;
- Kinne Street multi-use trail; and
- Thompson Road sidewalk extension.

Phase Two, 2020 – 2025

- Hotel District sidewalks;
- Route 298 Walkway;
- Sanders Creek Walkway;
- Roby Avenue improvements;
- Route 298 / New Venture Gear intersection improvements: crosswalks and pedestrian signals;
- New bike lanes;
- Bike share;
- Bus shelters; and
- Exeter Street sidewalks.

Phase Three, 2025 – 2040

- Sanders Creek Walkway;
- Acquisition & upgrade of Verizon access road;
- Thompson Road reconstruction; and
- Carrier Circle reconstruction.

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Figure S1- Proposed Improvements

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- Existing Sidewalks
- Existing Bike Lane
- Study Area
- Parks

Proposed Improvements

△ New bus shelter	— Bike Lane
● Future Bike Share station	— Sidewalk
○ Mini-Roundabout	— Shared-Use Path
○ Intersection and Pedestrian Improvements	— Road Diet (including Bike Lanes)
▬ Crosswalk	— "Complete Streets" redesign - Add Bike Lanes and Sidewalks
	— Other Improvements

0 1/8 1/4 1/2 Miles

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