Grant Circle NW Safety Improvements

What is the objective of this project?

The purpose of this study is to develop several long-term alternatives to address traffic control and safety issues at Grant Circle NW, specifically evaluating:

- 1. Improving uncontrolled pedestrian crossings
- 2. Adding protection for bicyclists
- 3. Reducing vehicle speeds

What are the highlights of the concept design?

- Reducing the number of circulating lanes from two to one for a large portion of the circle
- Installing splitter islands/pedestrian refuges to reduce pedestrian crossing distances
- Implementing the features of a Dutch-style roundabout, with improved conflict angles between entering/exiting vehicles and bicyclists
- Providing pocket exit lanes at New Hampshire Avenue NW (South and North nodes) to reduce rearend and other congestion-related conflicts
- Installing an RRFB to improve pedestrian visibility and driver yielding at Varnum Street NW (West)

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- Installing floating bus islands to improve transit safety and running times
- 24 parking spaces to be removed

What are the next steps?

- Review of Community Feedback (2023)
- Preliminary Design (2024)

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- Final Design (2024)
- Construction (2025)



Illinois Avenue (North) Looking Towards Grant Circle



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