

## McKnight Boulevard & 68 Street NE:

Operational Review and Contextual Impacts of Proposed Transportation Utility Corridor (TUC) Modifications Report

August 2025



## **Previous Council Direction**

### **Notice of Motion EC2025-0749:**

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED Council direct administration to:

- 1. Conduct an overview of current intersection safety and operational performance and recent improvements.
- 2. Conduct an assessment of projected impacts due to the proposed TUC boundary changes.
- 3. Investigate and identify further operational and safety improvements.
- 4. Report on capital or one-time funding required to implement the proposed intersection improvements.
- 5. Advise if one-time funding becomes available for 2026, whether this project can be prioritized and delivered as part of the Operational Improvements Capital Program?
- And report back to Council through the Infrastructure & Planning Committee no later than September 15, 2025.

# Recommendation

# That the Infrastructure and Planning Committee recommends that Council:

Receive this report for information.



# McKnight & 68 St NE: Context

## **Operational Capital Improvements Program**

Purpose: Low-cost, high-benefit projects

Projects: Merge lanes, missing links, medians, turn lanes, etc.

**Budget**: \$1M annually (committed)

Priority List: 20 projects (unfunded)









# McKnight & 68 St NE: Recent Improvements

Timeline	Improvement	Result	Cost
2017	Arrow-only left turns	Left-turn collisions	\$20K
2021	Merge lane added	Rear-end collisions	\$1M
2023	Second left-turn lane	Improved capacity	\$120K



Frequent signal timing adjustments



TUC Boundary Change (August 2025)



# McKnight & 68 St NE: Current State

**Current State:** High left turn volumes using single left turn lanes result in congestion and delay.

Concept: Implement dual left turn lanes (northbound, southbound and westbound).

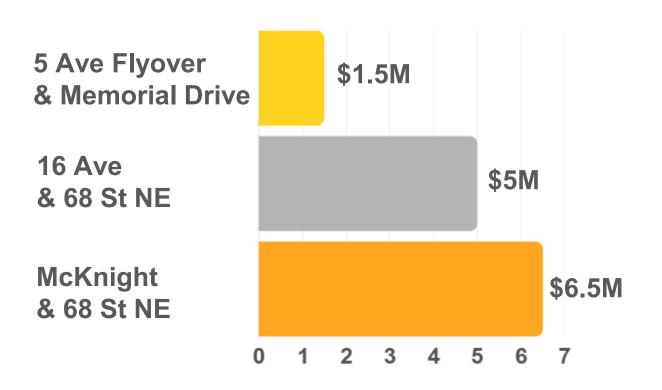
**Impact:** Reduction in queuing, delays, fuel consumption and greenhouse gas emissions.







# **Funding Required**



Funding Gap: \$13M

**Total Estimated Cost: \$13M** 



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# **Mobility Operational Improvements Program Priority List**

### High Priority

- 5 Ave Flyover to Memorial Dr Extend merge lane to improve safety and traffic flow
- 16 Ave & 68 St NE Add dual left-turn lanes southbound
- McKnight Blvd & 68 St NE Add dual rightturn lanes southbound
- Macleod Trail & Lake Fraser Gate Add dual left-turn lanes westbound
- 17 Ave & 84 St SE Add dual right-turn lanes southbound
- Heritage Dr & Glendeer Circle SE Modify island to reduce rear-end collisions from northbound right turns
- 52 St & 61 Ave SE Address left-turn collision issues from both directions
- Country Hills Blvd & Coventry Blvd/Harvest Hills Way – Add northbound right-turn lane
- 9. Memorial Dr & 68 St SE – Add dual left-turn lanes northbound
- 10. 52 St & 54 Ave SE Widen eastbound lane

#### Mid Priority

- 11. 162 Ave at Shawville Blvd Add dual northbound right-turn lanes
- 12. Sarcee Trail at Beacon Shopping Centre Access Add three westbound lanes
- 13. Macleod Trail at Glenmore Trail Southbound lane extension

#### **Low Priority**

- 14. Barlow Trail at 106 Ave SE Add dual westbound lanes
- 15. 52 St at McIvor Blvd Add dual left-turn lanes southbound and a smart right-turn lane northbound
- 16. Metis Trail at Country Hills Blvd NE Various improvements to address rear-end collisions from right turns
- 17. 162 Ave at Shawville Way Add westbound U-turn

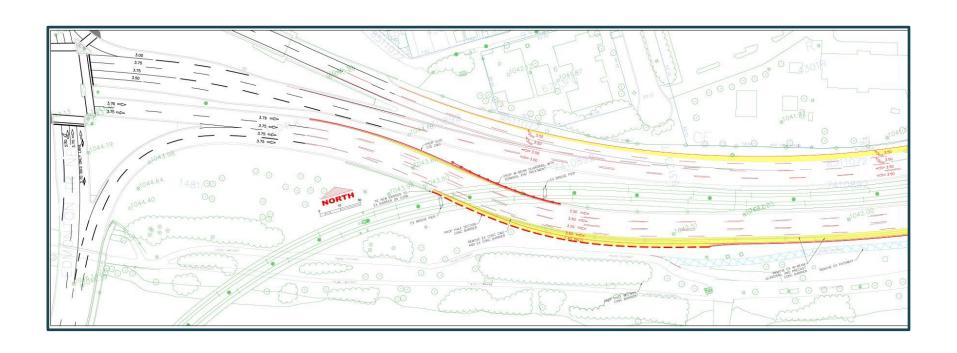
### Pathways/Missing Links

- 18. 50 Avenue SE between Barlow Trail and 30 Street SE North side
- 19, 50 Avenue SE between 32 Street SE and 35 Street SE North side
- 20. SW corner of 50 Avenue SE and 52 Street SE North side





# **5 Ave Flyover & Memorial Dr** Concept







# 16 Ave & 68 St NE Concept

