

City of La Vista
84th St Trail, Giles – Harrison, La Vista
Proposed Trail Construction Project
DPS-77(67); C.N. 22885

LOCATION: Identified as the 84th St. Trail, Giles-Harrison, La Vista, the project is approximately 1 mile in length and is located on 84th St. in the City of La Vista, starting approximately at the intersection of 84th and Harrison and extending south to the intersection of 84th and Giles. Construction may begin and/or end approximately 500 feet ahead of or beyond the actual project limits to accommodate transitioning the pavement. The existing roadway on this segment of 84th St. generally consists of two 12 foot wide concrete lanes, both NB and SB, with curbed inside and outside pavement edges.

PURPOSE AND NEED: The purpose of this project is to improve and expand alternative transportation options and recreational opportunities in the City of La Vista (City) and improve connectivity to Central Park and City Centre. The project is consistent with the City's Capital Improvement Program and Park and Recreation Master Plan. The need for the project is to provide safe and unrestricted pedestrian access across 84th St. connecting the City west of 84th St. and the City east of 84th St. The project would facilitate future connection of existing trails between Park View Blvd. west of 84th St. and Edgewood Blvd. east of 84th St. The project would further provide increased access and community neighborhood connections to Central Park and City Centre venues.

SCOPE OF WORK: The improvements on this project would consist of constructing a pedestrian trail on both sides of 84th St. from Giles Rd. to Harrison St. and an underpass under 84th St. along the existing Thompson Creek. The underpass would facilitate the construction of a bridge on 84th St. carrying existing traffic lanes and accommodating the proposed pedestrian trails on both the east and west sides of 84th St. The bridge over Thompson Creek and the proposed pedestrian trail would be constructed as a new structure (Structure Number to be determined). A grade raise is not anticipated. Guardrail would be replaced. This project would be constructed under traffic with lane closures controlled by appropriate traffic control devices and practices. Access to adjacent properties would be maintained during construction but may be limited at times due to phasing requirements.

PROJECT SCHEDULE: The proposed project is currently in the preliminary design phase. The project is tentatively scheduled to begin construction as early as Fall of 2025 with completion anticipated by winter of 2026.

RIGHT-OF-WAY: This project would require the acquisition of additional property rights, which could include permanent easements (PE), and/or temporary easements (TE). If your property is impacted by this project, you will be contacted by a representative once the design footprint has been established. Access to adjacent properties would be maintained during construction but may be limited at times due to construction phasing requirements.

POTENTIAL IMPACTS: Work would be required in the waterway. The trail corridor is anticipated to have minor impacts to wetland resources along the project. The construction of the trail is anticipated to have limited impacts to publicly owned parks or recreation areas with some grading and the trail extending into Central Park along the park's western boundary. Mitigation would occur as needed to minimize impacts. The back side of this handout describes anticipated impacts to the parks and recreation areas.

ACCOMMODATION OF TRAFFIC: This project would be constructed under traffic with lane closures controlled by appropriate traffic control devices and practices. Phasing requirements for the construction of the underpass would reduce 84th St. to one-lane in each direction between approximately Park View Blvd. and City Centre Drive.

ESTIMATED COST: The project is estimated to cost \$9.5 million, which includes design, inspection, ROW easements, utilities and construction costs. The project Preliminary Engineering would be funded with City of La Vista local funds and the remaining costs shared by Federal Transportation funds (\$5M) and local funds provided by the City of La Vista.



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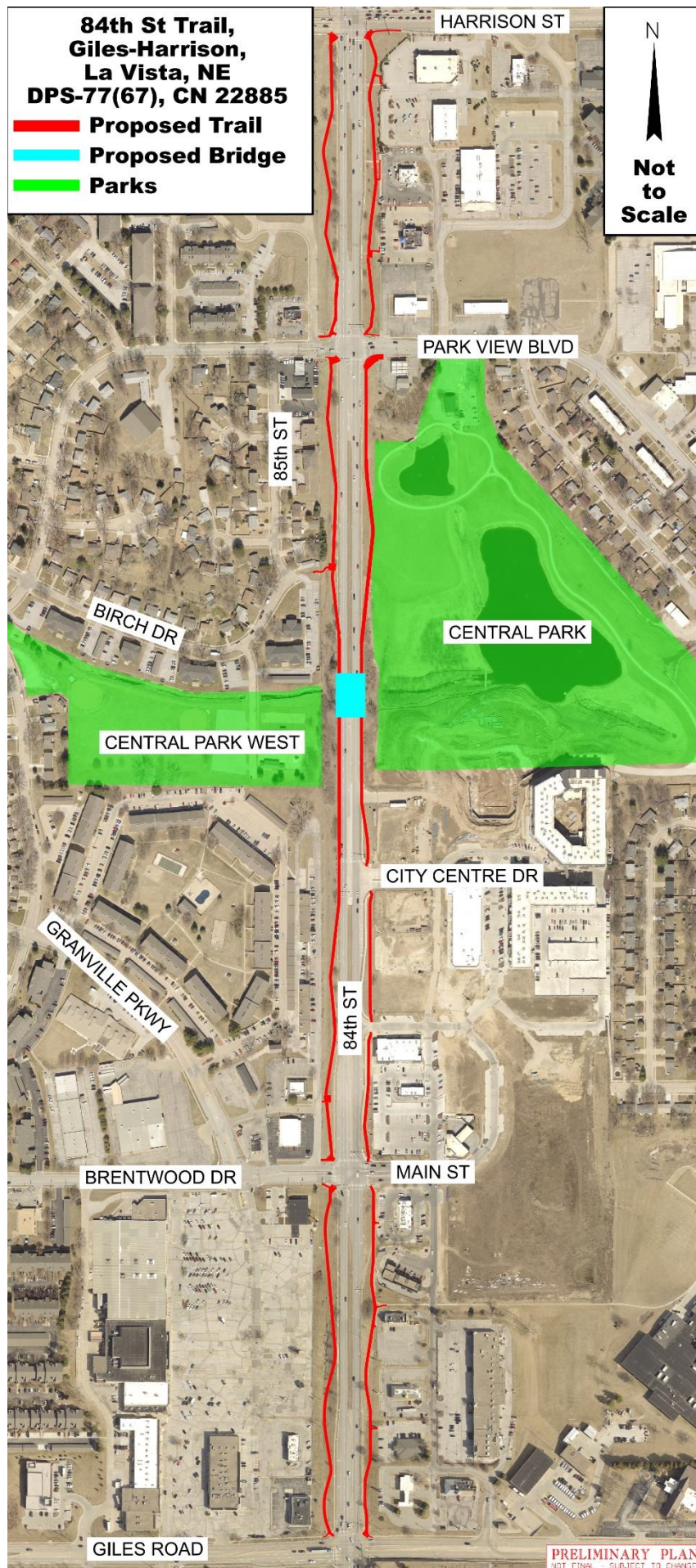


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SECTION 4(f) EVALUATION – The 84th Street Trail project is funded with Federal transportation funds. Due to the use of these funds, the project must adhere to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Section 4(f) of the U.S. Department of Transportation Act. Section 4(f) evaluates impacts to public parks, recreation areas and wildlife or waterfowl refuges, and historic sites during the development of transportation projects. The proposed trail is anticipated to impact portions of Central Park and Central Park West, which are both considered Section 4(f) resources. Descriptions of anticipated impacts to each Section 4(f) resource are described further below.

CENTRAL PARK – This property, previously La Vista Falls Golf Course, is a publicly owned park and open to the public, therefore, it is considered a Section 4(f) property. The proposed project would result in a minor use of land from the park to construct the 84th Street Trail. Portions of the hill along 84th Street will be re-graded to construct the trail, and a portion of the trail will enter the park property to allow for a future connection to the park trail network. Approximately 0.029 acres of Central Park would be acquired for right-of-way (ROW) and permanently incorporated into the transportation facility. Access to Central Park would be maintained throughout construction.

CENTRAL PARK WEST – Construction of the 84th Street Trail project includes the construction of a new bridge over Thompson Creek, including removal of the box culvert through which the creek flows under 84th Street. This construction activity would require heavy machinery and equipment to be brought into the construction site and to be staged during grading, removal of the culvert, and construction of the new bridge. An area along the south side of Thompson Creek, between 85th Street and 84th Street, approximately 25 feet wide, would be temporarily occupied for these activities. The construction of the bridge would last approximately one year. During the construction of the bridge, access to the City of La Vista Pool and sand volleyball courts, as well as Kelly McMahon fields would be maintained. There would be no permanent change to the park area, and the area disturbed by construction activities would be returned to existing or better conditions.

A component of NEPA and the Section 4(f) evaluation is to gather public comment on the project and comments on the anticipated impacts to these resources. Therefore, please use the comment sheets provided to comment by July 21, 2024 on the project in general or on anticipated impacts to the recreational activities, features, or attributes of these Section 4(f) resources. Comments can also be relayed to the members of the project team as identified on this information sheet.