

## Frequently Asked Questions about the *Charles Avenue Bicycle/Pedestrian Boulevard*

### What is the full plan for Charles Avenue?

- \* Bicycle and pedestrian refuges at Snelling, Hamline, Lexington, Dale, Western, Marion, and Rice. These are completed.
- \* Landscaped traffic circles at: Fry, Asbury, Pascal, Griggs, Chatsworth, Milton, Grotto, Arundel, and Farrington.
- \* A raised intersection at Syndicate.
- \* Mid-block landscaped bump-outs between Elfelt and Galtier.
- \* Eliminating stop signs at the traffic circles, and re-orienting stop signs to favor Charles Avenue at other various intersections.
- \* Bicycle boulevard signage and stenciling along Charles Avenue. This has been completed.

### Why can't the City just change the stop signs now? It seems like that would be easy and inexpensive.

Until the traffic circles are built, we use stop signs as a traffic calming device. If we remove stop signs without building traffic circles, we may see increased speeds of motorized traffic. The two tools are related.

### Does the City require a public hearing process for completing the construction of Charles Avenue Bicycle/Pedestrian Boulevard?

No. The plan that was approved by the City Council in 2012 has already gone through both informal and formal public processes. What we need now is public support to secure funding for completing Charles Avenue.

**Where can I find the approved plan?**

Here: <http://stpaul.gov/charles>

**How can I get involved to help secure funding for completing Charles Avenue?**

Please contact any of the following:

Frogtown Neighborhood Association:

<http://www.frogtownmn.org/contact/>

Hamline-Midway Coalition:

<http://hamlinemidway.org/aboutus/contactus>

Friendly Streets Initiative:

<http://friendlystreetsinitiative.org/contact-us/>

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