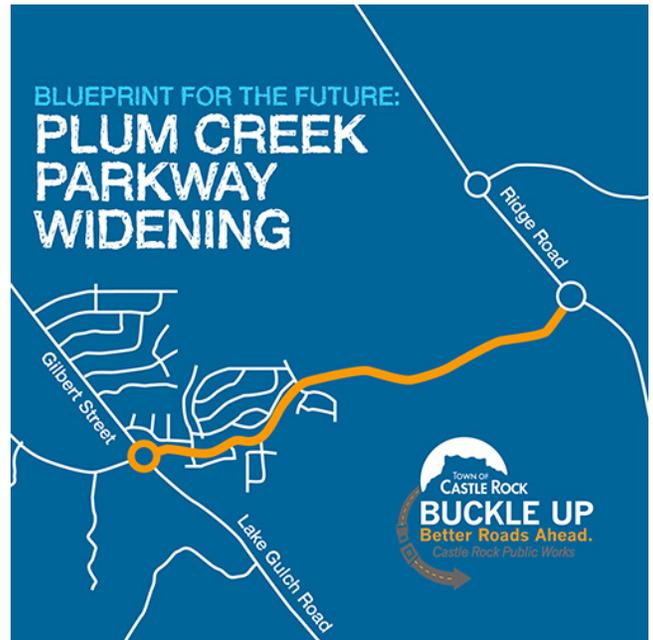


# Design phase:

## Frequently asked questions



### What is planned as part of this project?

The Town is currently designing a two-phase construction project to widen Plum Creek Parkway between Gilbert Street and Ridge Road. In addition, the intersection of Plum Creek Parkway and Gilbert Street will be converted from the temporary signal it is now to a two-lane roundabout. Both phases have been identified as part of the Town's Transportation Master Plan.

This project will improve access to the Interstate 25/Plum Creek Parkway interchange from the eastern areas of Town. In addition, this project will include bicycle and pedestrian multi-use lanes.

### What is the timeframe?

With feedback from this open house, design will begin. Design is expected to be completed in 2018. Then, the Town will bid the project to a contractor.

Construction is expected to take place in two phases:

- 1) The roundabout and widening between Gilbert Street and Eaton Circle is planned for 2019. This phase will also include replacement of the existing concrete surface with asphalt.
- 2) The rest of the widening is tentatively set for 2022, depending on available funding.

### Why a roundabout at Gilbert Street and Plum Creek Parkway?

The Town – through its Transportation Master Plan – has always intended this intersection to be a roundabout. A temporary span wire style signal was installed to assist with intersection operations and safety until such time that funding could be budgeted for a roundabout.

Roundabouts tend to be better at controlling traffic flow from all directions at all times of the day. Further, this proposed design will enhance community benefits such as vehicle and pedestrian safety, decreased delays, decreased fuel consumption, and decreased environmental impacts. The roundabout will accommodate for future growth in traffic that is expected to increase.

### What about the existing concrete? It seems in poor shape.

This project will also include repair of that section. As a part of this project, the existing two-lane concrete section of the roadway will be replaced after the newly widened portion is complete. This approach will allow traffic to be shifted to the new surface while demolition and replacement occurs. Otherwise, to replace this pavement would require full closure of the road for several weeks.

### What is the cost of the project and where is the money coming from?

Total cost for design and both phases of construction is estimated at \$9.5 million, funded over several years. The funding would come from the Town's Transportation Capital Fund, which includes growth-related revenues from impact fees and building use tax. Some funding for the maintenance portion of the project will come from the Town's Transportation Fund, which is partially funded by sales and building use tax.



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