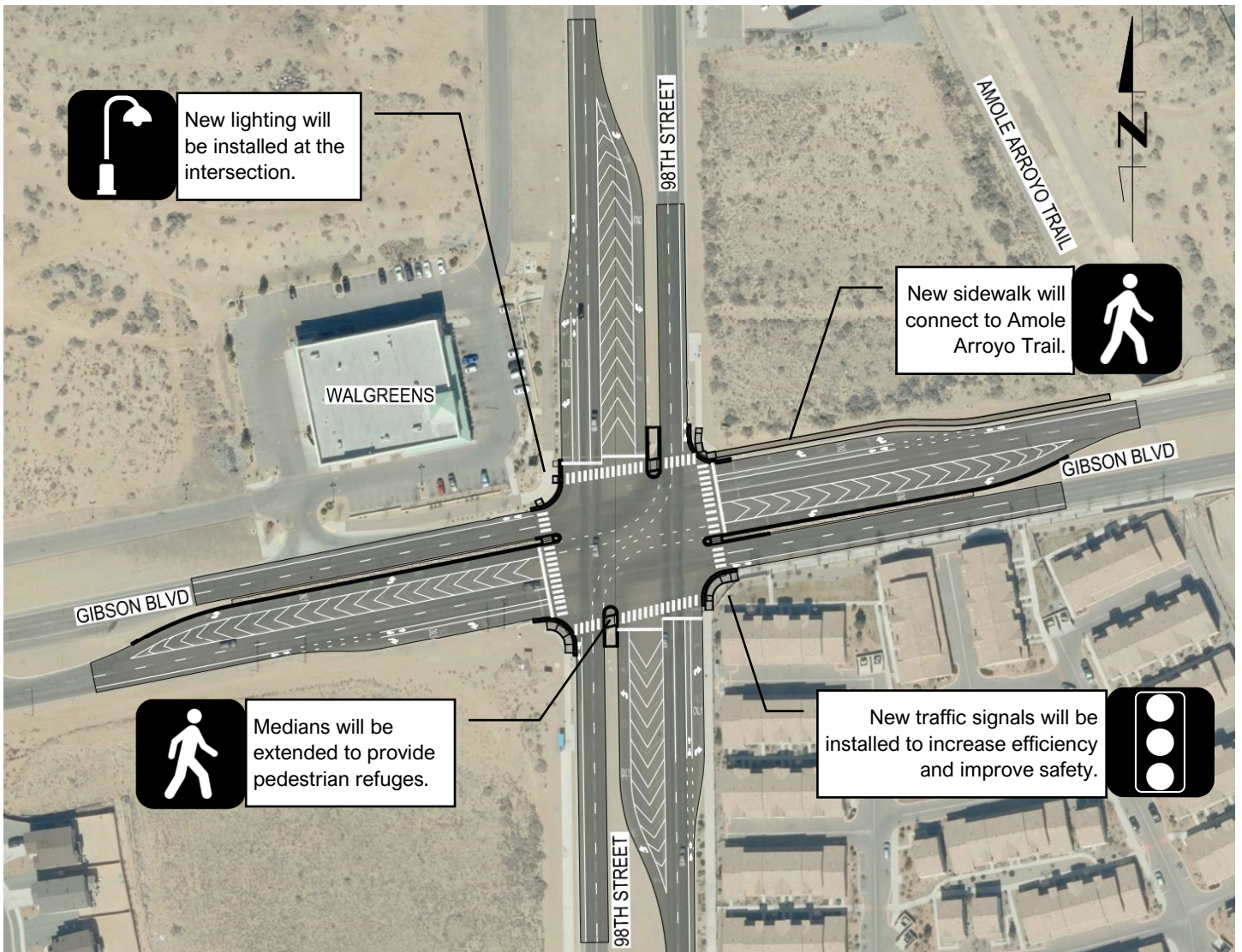


The City of Albuquerque is undertaking the design of a new traffic signal and intersection improvements to the 98th Street and Gibson Boulevard intersection. The purpose of this project is to increase the safety, efficiency, and usability of this intersection for drivers, pedestrians, and cyclists. Other improvements include additional lighting, ADA-accessible curb ramps, extended medians, pavement reconstruction, and restriping. New sidewalk in the northeast corner will connect to the existing sidewalk at the Amole Arroyo Trail. **We need your input on how the project should be constructed. Please turn this flyer over for more information on how you can comment.**



SCHEDULE: The design is underway and is anticipated to be completed late this year or early 2022. Construction is scheduled to begin next year.

Reconstruction of the intersection can be accomplished under different types of traffic control concepts, each with pros and cons. The traffic control concepts being considered include the following:

1. Full Closure of the Intersection: The intersection would be closed to vehicular traffic, which would be detoured onto local streets.

Pros:

- Shortest construction duration.
- Overall project cost may be lower due to

Cons:

- Inconvenience and out-of-direction travel for motorists and bicyclists.

2. Closing Gibson One Leg at a Time: Travel through 98th would be provided throughout construction, though it would be reduced to one lane during certain phases. Detours on local streets would be needed around the leg of Gibson that is closed.

Pros:

- Shorter construction duration.
- Through traffic on 98th is maintained.
- Project cost may be lower due to efficiencies gained by closing portions of the intersection.

Cons:

- Through traffic on Gibson must use detours.
- Turning would be prohibited from 98th onto Gibson.
- Inconvenience and out-of-direction travel for motorists and bicyclists.

3. Full Access: The intersection would remain open for all turning options and though traffic would be reduced to one lane in each direction. Construction would be completed in halves or quadrants. Median crossovers (eastbound traffic on Gibson would be diverted onto one of the westbound lanes, for example) or temporary pavement would be required.

Pros:

- Full access is maintained at the intersection.
- No detours would be required.

Cons:

- Longest construction duration.
- Most expensive due to cost of crossovers or

Under all concepts, access to Walgreens in the northwest corner and pedestrian access at the intersection will be maintained throughout construction.

Please let us know which traffic control concept is most favorable to you:

Full Closure: I don't mind using detours. Let's get this intersection built in the shortest amount of time!

Close Gibson: I can work around a closure of Gibson so long as 98th Street remains open.

Full Access: I don't mind the longer construction duration, but it's important to me to be able to go through and make turns at the intersection.

Other comments:

Please mail this comment form to:

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Comments will be accepted until December 6, 2021.

We appreciate your feedback.

