

Anchorage Metropolitan Area Transportation Solutions (AMATS) has partnered with the Municipality of Anchorage’s (MOA) Long Range Planning section to begin work on the Spenard Corridor Strategic Plan (SCP), Anchorage’s first transit-oriented development plan. The Spenard Corridor Plan process will explore the potential for new activities and uses in the area, consider the types of buildings that might be appropriate and devise solutions to more seamlessly connect Spenard internally and to outside destinations through improved transit, pedestrian facilities, bicycle facilities and roadways. Your participation is critical to a successful plan!



The Plan Area

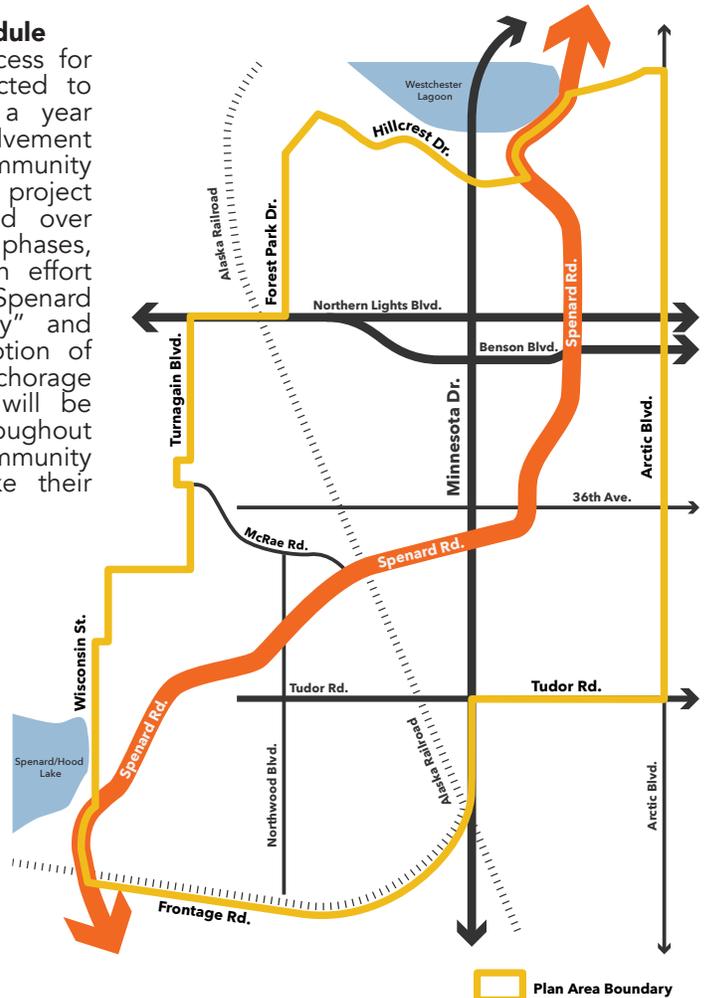
The Spenard Corridor Plan will focus primarily on planning for the properties and blocks immediately adjacent to the Spenard Road corridor, but will also seek to promote improved connectivity to surrounding blocks, neighborhoods and corridors for bicyclists and pedestrians. The overall Plan Area is shown on the map below.

More About the Project

Ever wonder how cities succeed at bringing people, jobs and services together to build a community and create economic growth? How does a city create compact, walkable, bike-friendly urban environments that attract investment and new development? It turns out that livable communities are the result of a careful, holistic approach to planning. All over the country, cities are changing the way they build communities by investing in smart transportation infrastructure that compliments surrounding land uses. The Spenard Corridor Plan is Anchorage’s first transit-oriented development plan that will use this holistic approach to create a more livable Anchorage.

Process and Schedule

The planning process for the SCP is expected to encompass over a year of public involvement efforts and community engagement. The project will be conducted over a set of about 6 phases, beginning with an effort to “understand Spenard as it exists today” and ending with adoption of the Plan by the Anchorage Assembly. There will be opportunities throughout the process for community members to make their voice heard!



GET INVOLVED

The community’s involvement in this process is extremely important. The process will provide a wide variety of opportunities to participate, provide feedback and learn about the proposed ideas for the area. The project team will produce an SCP mailing list, website and Facebook page that will advertise upcoming public workshops, engagement opportunities and Plan review opportunities. The project website, which will be constantly updated, is the “go-to” location for information on the project and associated events. The site can be accessed at www.spenardcorridorplan.com. To join the mailing list or inquire with questions about this plan, please contact either Joni Wilm or Thede Tobish at:

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