



Austin Transportation Department

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To Stakeholder, Property Owner, or Resident:

The Austin Transportation Department (ATD) and the Public Works Department are partnering to implement and improve a bicycle route system, as directed by the Austin City Council per City Ordinance No. 20141106-118 (The Austin Bicycle Plan). Barton Hills Drive from Robert E. Lee to Barton Skyway is an identified bicycle route in the Austin Bicycle Plan. You are receiving this notification because you live on and/or own property adjacent to Barton Hills Drive in Austin, Texas or are otherwise registered as a stakeholder in the area.

Usted está recibiendo esta notificación porque vive cerca de Barton Hills Drive, es dueño de propiedad cerca de Barton Hills Drive, o es parte interesada de Barton Hills Drive en Austin, Texas. Si necesita un documento traducido en español, llame a (512) 974-7092.

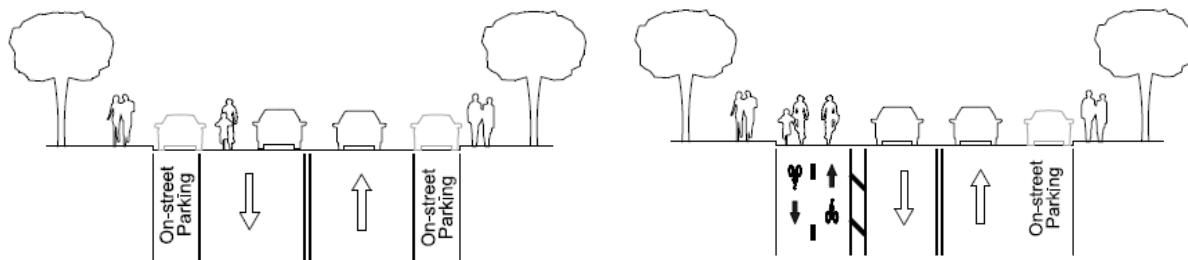
Barton Hills Drive is scheduled for routine street maintenance (resurfacing) in the next few months. By coordinating with this resurfacing, the Austin Transportation Department (ATD) has the opportunity to modify the street striping with little to no effect on project cost and duration. ATD is assessing restriping options that could improve safety and mobility for all road users.

Typical proposed striping along Barton Hills Drive will have a two-way protected bikeway on the west side of the street and a parking lane on the east side of the street as shown in Figure 1. Special design consideration will be given to improved pedestrian crossings in response to numerous requests from citizens.

Figure 1 – Typical Cross Sections for Barton Hills Drive

Existing

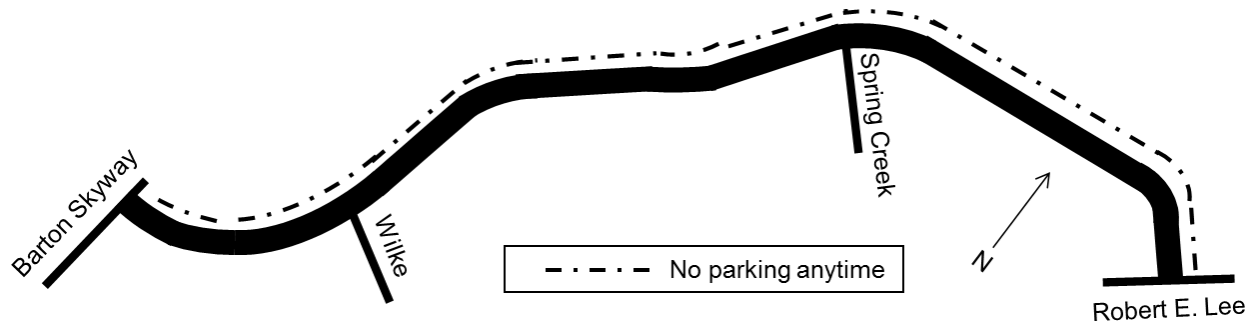
Proposed



In order to add bicycle facilities on Barton Hills Drive, on-street motor vehicle parking will be prohibited at certain locations as listed below and in Figure 2.

- **Barton Hills Drive** (from Robert E. Lee to Barton Skyway) – prohibit parking on the west side of the street.

Figure 2 – Barton Hills Drive Project Area



Examples of similar projects that have been implemented in other parts of Austin are shown below in Figures 3a and 3b. Protected bicycle lanes are used to provide more separation between road users in order to improve predictability and comfort for all users of the street.

Figure 3a – Two-Way Protected Bicycle Lane on Bluebonnet Lane, Austin TX



Figure 3b – Shared Use Path on Arroyo Seco, Austin TX



In order to ensure the most appropriate allocation of street space, ATD is seeking feedback from local residents and other users of this street prior to determining final plans. You can obtain additional information about this mobility project and provide feedback at an open house on Tuesday, March 8, from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm in the cafeteria of Barton Hills Elementary School, 2108 Barton Hills Drive, Austin, TX 78704. Feedback based on local experience frequently results in improvements to initial project proposals. If necessary, modifications to this proposal can be made after input received at the open house. If you cannot attend this open house and have questions or comments, please contact Mike Schofield at 974-7834 or Mike.Schofield@austintexas.gov.

Sincerely,

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