

Montbello Bus Stop Improvements

On Sept. 28, the City and County of Denver and RTD began work to upgrade 21 bus stops in the Montbello neighborhood to make the stops more accessible and safer for everyone.

The city will be constructing and upgrading concrete pads at stops, as well as reconstructing sections of sidewalk connecting to the stop in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Construction plans also include repairs to damaged curbs and gutters near the bus stops. Once construction is complete, the city plans to add new benches at nearly half of the stops.

This project represents a regional partnership between the City and County of Denver, RTD, and the Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG). In 2020, the city received a federal grant for \$200,000 through DRCOG and matched it with \$150,000 of city capital funds to improve bus stops in Montbello. City planning staff determined the Montbello neighborhood was an ideal area that would benefit most from these improvements due to high ridership and condition of the stops, among other considerations.

Bus stop closures will last approximately one week at each stop, and there will be directions to the nearest, adjacent stop during construction. The city is coordinating with RTD to notify riders of temporary stop closures while each stop is under construction. Construction to complete all 21 stop improvements is expected to be finished by the end of the year.

The City and County of Denver is home to nearly 3,000 RTD bus stops used by tens of thousands of bus riders every day to access jobs, healthcare, and a variety of other destinations. Of these nearly 3,000 stops, many are lacking basic infrastructure. This project, as well as future projects that invest in bus stop infrastructure, will address the current needs systemwide and affirm the Department of Transportation & Infrastructure's commitment to make the city more accessible for all users.

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