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Holiday Work – Winter Construction

The City is pleased to announce that we have passed the half-way point in construction!

With Academy Boulevard in its final alignment under the bridge (October 2010), the last major work area has opened up.

Work through the holiday season will include:

- ramps and the retaining walls outside of traffic in the northwest and southwest quadrants of the Woodmen and Academy interchange
- dirt fill approach to the west side of the new bridge
- opening of the permanent "Hobby Lobby" Woodmen Road entrance to Woodmen Valley Shopping Center
- installation of the permanent retaining walls and ramps

The project team will also be working on the new bridge to allow traffic from the shopping center to exit to southbound Academy Boulevard.

The current traffic alignment will be in place through the holiday season.

The City is committed to minimizing alignment changes during the holidays which is very important to businesses in the area.

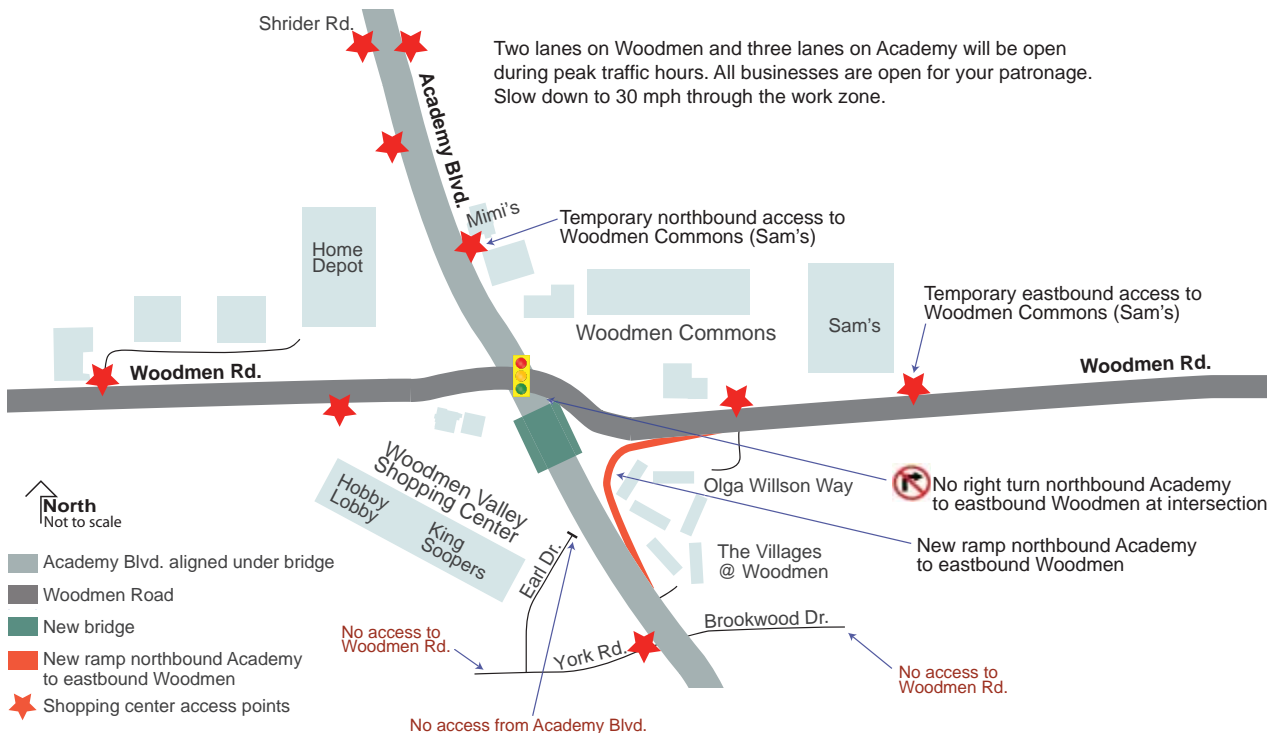
- lane restrictions are not allowed during daytime hours except for emergency situations or special approvals by City Traffic during the holiday season
- all work will be performed outside the travel way to ease traffic flow and encourage shopping at the local businesses
- check out the Business Access map on the back of this newsletter and on the project website: www.woodmenroad.com



11/7/10 Aerial picture of Woodmen and Academy intersection progress

Academy Boulevard Shift and Business Access Points

Anticipated traffic configuration through the Holidays



Woodmen Road traffic will travel over the bridge in early 2011.

With Woodmen traffic in its near final alignment, the intersection will have limited turning options:

- turning movements will be restricted for approximately fourteen (14) days while final ramp work is completed
- northbound turning movements onto Academy Boulevard from east- and westbound Woodmen Road; as well as the southbound Academy Boulevard to east- and westbound Woodmen Road will be re-routed to other streets during this short period
- Work to complete these ramps in the fourteen day period will be performed on an around the clock schedule

Keep up to date on project developments by visiting www.woodmenroad.com and signing up for the weekly email alerts.

Did You Know?

Jared Galleria of Jewelry in the Woodmen Commons Shopping Center (Sam's Club), is owned by Sterling Jewelers. Sterling is one of the largest corporate sponsors of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and has given over \$22 million dollars in just 11 years.



"Taylor"

Sterling recently committed another \$20 million as lead sponsor of the Pediatric Cancer Genome Project. St. Jude's plush animal toy drive ends December 24th. "Taylor," the dog, is available for adoption for only \$12.99. The proceeds go directly to St. Jude's. All donations are tax deductible.

Some folks may wish to donate "Taylor" back to Jared's, to be given to various hospitals, organizations, firefighters and police officers to use in their holiday programs.

Jared's is open Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday noon to 5 p.m. Visit www.Jared.com for more information about the services and products Jared offers (there's a great "education" section).

"Did You Know" reveals interesting tidbits regarding landmarks, history, people and businesses in the project area. If you have an interesting fact to contribute, let us know!

FAQ:

The speed limit through the construction area is posted at 30 mph. Where does this speed limit apply and is it only in effect when crews are present?

For the safety of everyone who commutes through this area including, but not limited to:

- motorists
- bicyclists
- pedestrians
- construction personnel

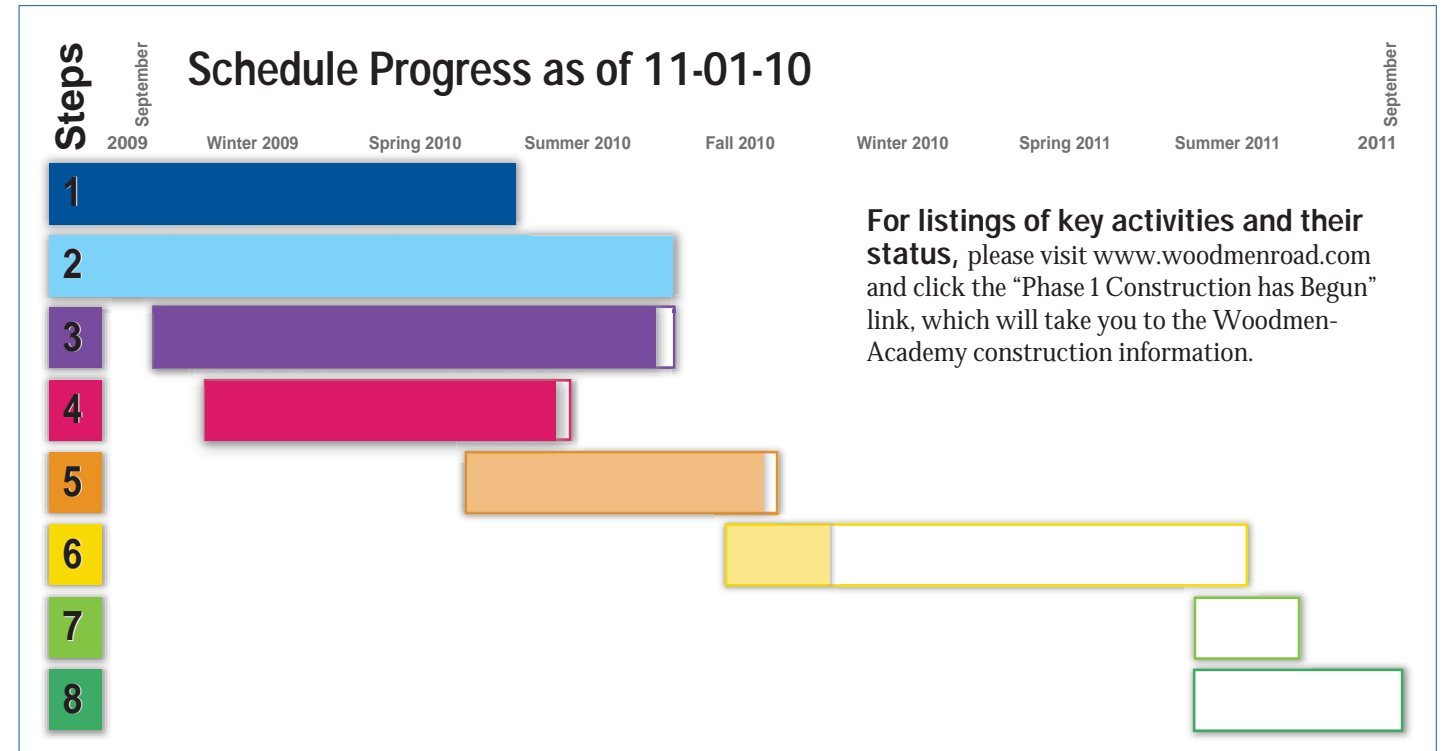
the project speed limit is **30 mph 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.** Construction schedules fluctuate and the timing of activities vary throughout any given day. Therefore, variable speed limit hours of restriction are not feasible. A consistent speed limit restriction causes less confusion and a safer work zone for everyone.

The 30 mph construction zone for this project commences at post-mounted signs at the following locations:

- Academy Blvd.
 - o Southbound immediately south of Goddard Road
 - o Northbound immediately north of Dublin Road
- Woodmen Road
 - o Westbound immediately east of Stinson Road
 - o Eastbound immediately west of Vincent Road/Campus Drive

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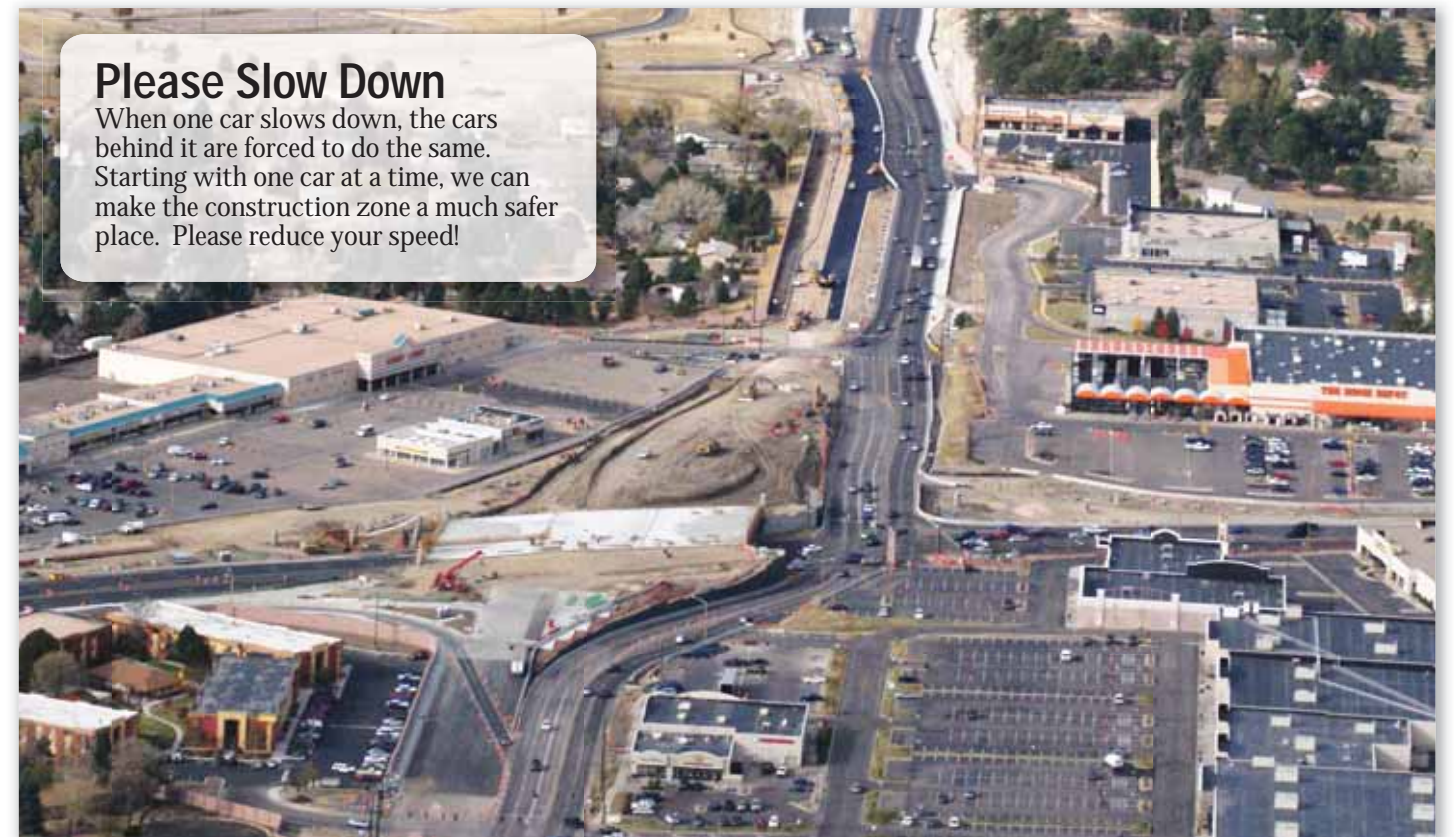
Thank You! Project Team Sponsored BBQs

The sixth project BBQ, held at the western stores along the Home Depot Access Road, was held October 9th, on a glorious fall day. Many of the attendees were curious about the pending Academy Shift under the new Woodmen Road Bridge scheduled to occur that night.

Mimi's Café, again, shared their muffins and other baked goods, Edible Arrangements had some spectacular fruit designs, Wag 'N Wash had treats for the dogs, and Relax the Back brought out lounge chairs. Jared's had "Taylor" the St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital plush toy to sell (all proceeds go directly to the hospital) – if you bought one, you were in for a treat, a howl or a bark, depending on what you requested. Approximately 150 folks turned out for the event.



Mimi's Café gave away muffins to attendees



Please Slow Down
When one car slows down, the cars behind it are forced to do the same. Starting with one car at a time, we can make the construction zone a much safer place. Please reduce your speed!

11/07/10 Woodmen Road looking west towards I-25

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