Our Vision: Brooklyn Park, a thriving community inspiring pride where opportunities exist for all.

Our Brooklyn Park 2025 Goals:

• A united and welcoming community, strengthened by our diversity
• Beautiful spaces and quality infrastructure make Brooklyn Park a unique destination
• A balanced economic environment that empowers businesses and people to thrive
• People of all ages have what they need to feel healthy and safe
• Partnerships that increase racial and economic equity empower residents and neighborhoods to prosper
• Effective and engaging government recognized as a leader

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7. GENERAL ACTION ITEMS

7.1 Authorize the Installation of a Sidewalk on Shingle Creek Drive and Hampshire Drive from Candlewood to the Creek Crossing and the Installation of Bike Lanes on Candlewood Drive from West Broadway to Zane Avenue

A. RESOLUTION FOR SIDEWALK ON SHINGLE CREEK DRIVE
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Request for Council Action

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City Manager’s Proposed Action:

MOTION ____________, SECOND ____________, TO WAIVE THE READING AND ADOPT RESOLUTION #2020-____ TO AUTHORIZE THE INSTALLATION OF A SIDEWALK ON SHINGLE CREEK DRIVE AND HAMPSHIRE DRIVE FROM CANDLEWOOD TO THE CREEK CROSSING.

MOTION ____________, SECOND ____________, TO WAIVE THE READING AND ADOPT RESOLUTION #2020-____ TO AUTHORIZE THE INSTALLATION OF 5’ BIKE LANES IN BOTH DIRECTIONS AND NO PARKING ON THE NORTH SIDE OF CANDLEWOOD DR FROM WEST BROADWAY TO ZANE AVENUE.

Overview:
In 2015, the city completed a Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan (PBP) that involved broad resident input with an eye towards increasing bicycle and pedestrian options and safety. The City Council accepted the PBP following completion in November 2015. The PBP guides staff in the buildout of trails and sidewalks throughout the community. The goal of the PBP is to improve walking and biking conditions in Brooklyn Park and make walking and riding a bike more convenient and enjoyable travel choices for people who live, work, and play in the city. The goals of the PBP also align with the goals of BP 2025 which identifies modern transportation options including riding, biking and walking among others as a community identified goal. The PBP recommends installing a sidewalk between Candlewood Dr N to Brooklyn Blvd utilizing Shingle Creek Dr and Hampshire Ave N. The PBP also recommends the addition of designated bike lanes along Candlewood Dr from West Broadway to Zane Ave.

Shingle Creek Drive Improvements
In 2020, Shingle Creek Drive is scheduled to be reconstructed from Candlewood Dr to Hampshire Ave. Staff recommends installing the segment of sidewalk from Candlewood Dr to Hampshire Ave and just south of the intersection with Hampshire to the crossing of Shingle Creek. While it does not complete the full buildout of the planned sidewalk, it does provide connection with sidewalks along Candlewood Dr and the neighborhood to the south of Shingle Creek. To pair it with the reconstruction project is the best solution for the surrounding properties and is much cheaper than doing a stand alone sidewalk project later.

This segment of Shingle Creek Dr does pose some challenges. Namely, the length of many of the driveways are less than 40’ in length. If we leave the curb in roughly the same location and add the sidewalk on one side of the road, it will significantly reduce the amount of available parking in people’s driveways. Staff recommends reducing the width of Shingle Creek Dr. from 32’ to 30’, shift the north curb line 2’ north, and add a 6’ concrete sidewalk on the south side of the road.

These proposed changes will reduce driveway lengths by approximately 2’ on both sides of the road and should not negatively impact parking availability in the driveways. On-street parking would still be allowed on both sides of the road. There will be enough space for emergency vehicles and the reduced street width will likely
result in reduced vehicular speeds on Shingle Creek Dr. Plus, the added sidewalk provides a safer location for residents to walk. Since the proposed sidewalk will tie into a trail crossing at the creek that is currently plowed, this sidewalk will also be plowed by city staff.

Staff did outreach to the neighborhood through door knocking and invited all the residents to a meeting to discuss. At the meeting on January 14, 2020, five households were represented. Of the five households, four were against the addition of the sidewalk, and one was okay with the addition. We also received one email from a resident and we included this email in the packet (see attached).

**Candlewood Dr. Improvements**

Candlewood Dr is currently part of the 2020 Minnesota State Aid (MSA) mill and overlay program. This project will also replace a culvert under Candlewood Dr and replace a bridge over Shingle Creek with a culvert by Hampshire. The PBP recommends Candlewood Drive should have dedicated bike lanes on both sides of the road from West Broadway to Zane Ave. A bike lane designation includes striping on the street, signage, and prohibits on street parking that would present a barrier to bikers.

Three options to consider for incorporating bike lanes along Candlewood Dr within existing right-of-way including:

1. Eliminate on-street parking on both sides of Candlewood to provide 8’ bike lanes in each direction.
2. Eliminate on-street parking on one side of the Candlewood drive to allow for a parking lane and 5’ bike lanes. This option results in slightly narrower drive lanes.
3. Keep parking on both sides of Candlewood and designate the road as a “bike route”. A bike route is a shared space for biking and parking. The PBR does not recommend using bike routes because of the conflict created.

**Recommendations**

For Shingle Creek Drive, staff recommends decreasing the width of Shingle Creek Drive from 32’ to 30’ wide and install a sidewalk along the south side of the road and the west side of Hampshire Ave to the creek crossing.

For Candlewood Dr, staff recommends Option #2 as described above. On the east side of Candlewood Dr near Zane Ave, there are several vehicles that park along Candlewood Dr daily. Staff is concerned if all parking on both sides of the road is eliminated, the parking will be pushed into the surrounding neighborhood. Also, the narrower drive lanes may help reduce speeds of vehicles along Candlewood Dr. The only additional cost is to install “No Parking” signs along one side of the road and additional on-going maintenance of painted lines and symbols.

**Primary Issues/Alternatives to Consider:** N/A

**Budgetary/Fiscal Issues:**

All costs for the installation of the sidewalk will be paid using franchise fees because it is associated with a road reconstruction project, and the cost for the installation of bike lanes along Candlewood Dr will be paid using MSA funds.

**Attachments:**

7.1A RESOLUTION FOR SIDEWALK ON SHINGLE CREEK DRIVE
7.1B RESOLUTION FOR BIKE LANES ON CANDLEWOOD DRIVE
7.1C LOCATION MAP
7.1D EMAIL FROM LINDA LASH (7009 SHINGLE CREEK DRIVE)
RESOLUTION #2020-

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE INSTALLATION OF A SIDEWALK ON SHINGLE CREEK DRIVE
AND HAMPSHIRE DRIVE FROM CANDLEWOOD TO THE CREEK CROSSING

WHEREAS, the Pedestrian and Bike Plan accepted in 2015 calls for the installation of a sidewalk along Shingle Creek Drive, and;

WHEREAS, the addition of sidewalks and trails align with the goals outlined in BP 2025, and;

WHEREAS, the addition of the sidewalks along Shingle Creek can be easily added to the 2020 Reconstruction Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Brooklyn Park.

The Mayor and Manager are hereby authorized the Installation of a Sidewalk on south side Shingle Creek Drive and west side of Hampshire Dr from Candlewood to the creek crossing.
RESOLUTION #2020-

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE INSTALLATION OF 5' BIKE LANES IN BOTH DIRECTIONS AND NO PARKING ON THE NORTH SIDE OF CANDLEWOOD DR FROM WEST BROADWAY TO ZANE AVENUE

WHEREAS, the Pedestrian and Bike Plan accepted in 2015 calls for the installation of a sidewalk along Shingle Creek Drive, and the installation of bike lanes along Candlewood Drive from West Broadway to Zane Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the addition of sidewalks and trails align with the goals outlined in BP 2025; and

WHEREAS, the existing width of Candlewood drive allows for 5' bike lanes and parking on one side of the road allow; and

WHEREAS, the addition of bike lanes along Candlewood Dr can be easily added to the 2020 MSA project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Brooklyn Park that the Mayor and City Manager are hereby authorized the Installation of 5’ bike lanes in both directions and no parking on the north side of Candlewood Dr from West Broadway to Zane Avenue.
Hi Jesse,

Linda Lash  
7009 Shingle Creek Dr  
55445

Thank you for the informative meeting last night. You and the staff did a great job.

After reviewing the maps and length of the driveway's at this time, the negatives of the sidewalk are as follows:

1. 4 medium vehicles parked in the driveways will be to close to the sidewalk. Possible damage/vandalism etc., as they could actually hang over part of the sidewalk.

2. Maintenance for this sidewalk will be troublesome. Plow comes by, resident uses snowblower/shovels cleans driveway. Sidewalk plow comes by later, and where is the snow going to get plowed to? Back in the driveway?

3. The sidewalk will be on the south side and gets very little sun. It is always icy on this side. If a resident drives over the snow before shoveling (especially the first big snow/ice storm and the plow has come by) that driveway is a struggle to keep clean the rest of the winter.

Is this suppose to be a sidewalk for walkers and bikers? Which one has the right of way? Most bikers will not use the sidewalk.

Would there be enough clearance to run an actual bike/walking path from the walk-over bridge (Hampshire) through the south side along the creek that would connect (would have to cross Candlewood) to the path that is already there and ends up at North Hennepin Jr. College?

Thanks for listening, and please share for the council meeting.

Linda Lash