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# PROJECT UPDATE



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Kirkland's contractor expects to begin the project in late March and close Lake Street's intersection at Kirkland Avenue in early April.

## Work begins on Lake St. pedestrian crossing

### New crosswalk design improves safety, access to downtown

**WHAT:** New X, Inc., Kirkland's Lake Street Pedestrian Scramble contractor, plans to begin in late March the nine-month process of transforming the Lake Street and Kirkland Avenue intersection.

When complete, the intersection will function as a pedestrian plaza, allowing people to cross in every direction while its new traffic signals hold vehicular traffic simultaneously on all four legs of the intersection. Vehicles can proceed through the intersection when the traffic signals are green.

To ensure that people who are walking and rolling are more visible to those who are driving, the project will elevate the intersection to be level with the adjacent sidewalks.

It will also upgrade the surrounding curb ramps and traffic signals.

**WHAT TO EXPECT:** The project will require an eight-week closure of the intersection; starting early April and ending early June.

■ After the closure ends, the contractor, New X, Inc., will close the sidewalk areas—one at a time—to rebuild them. People can walk along pedestrian pathways during the entire project.

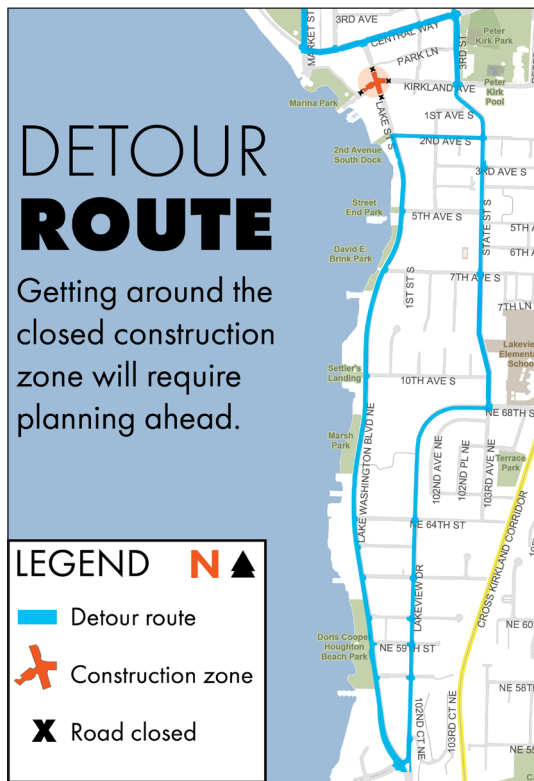
■ Thirty-two parking spots will be temporarily unavailable during construction; however, the City is adding nine temporary parking spots near Lake Street's intersection with Central Way.

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The detour, depicted above, will route drivers around the closed construction zone via Lakeview Drive and Second Avenue South.

## Eight-week closure expedites downtown construction process

Kirkland's contractor is currently expecting the eight-week closure to start in early April.

During these eight weeks, New X, Inc., will complete a series of fundamental tasks that it would not be able to with an operating intersection.

Foremost among those tasks is removing the intersection's asphalt pavement surface and rebuilding the it with decorative concrete and pavers.

The City Council decided in September 2022 to expedite completion of the Lake Street pedestrian scramble project by closing its intersection with Kirkland Avenue for eight weeks during construction.

People will still be able to walk or ride bicycles to businesses within the closure area.

During the closure, Kirkland's contractor, will detour automotive traffic around the closed construction site via Second Avenue South, Lakeview Drive and Central Way.



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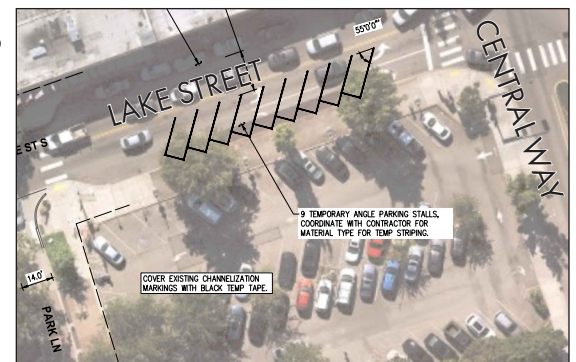
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## City mitigates temporary parking loss

Construction will remove 32 parking spots; City to add nine temporary ones

Kirkland is mitigating the loss of downtown parking during construction by converting a right-turn lane into temporary parking spots.

During the eight-week closure, the City will convert Lake Street's northbound



to eastbound right-turn lane into nine temporary parking spots, reducing the downtown area's net loss of parking from 32 to 23. The Marina Park and Lake and Central parking lots are also available during construction.