

Press Release
City of Strongsville
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In late summer/early fall of this year work will begin to improve the intersection of Pearl Road and Royalton Road. The improvement project will take approximately 8 weeks and will cause delays in the area.

The intersection improvements have been studied closely over several years by the City of Strongsville and our regional planning partners, with the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA), the Ohio Department of Development (ODOT), and the Cuyahoga County Planning Commission each recommending improvements in the area that will support:

- Additional pedestrian safety at the intersection
- Further compliance with the American Disability Act (ADA)
- Increased walkability in the Town Center District (TCD)
- Promote multimodal transportation in the area
- Further support the redevelopment and usage of assets in the area

The City of Strongsville and our regional planning partners have completed multiple studies of the area, including:

Strongsville Walkable Community Workshop Report

February 2009 – In partnership with NOACA

Strongsville Town Center District Redevelopment Plan

June 2015- In partnership with NOACA

Strongsville Master Plan

May 2019 – In partnership with the Cuyahoga County Planning Commission

Wayfinding Analysis Report

2019 – In partnership with Guide Studio

Each of these reports identifies improvements intended to make the Town Center District, as well as the Pearl Road/Royalton Road intersection, safer and more walkable. NOACA's Strongsville Town Center District Redevelopment Plan specifically focuses on improvements to the Pearl Road/Royalton Road intersection:

“The intersection of these two very busy roads is not currently an inviting place for pedestrians. As these two roads are the major borders of the Town Center District (TCD), it is important that they not act as barriers to entry but instead be designed to encourage use of alternative modes of transportation.”

In further support of the project, NOACA awarded the City of Strongsville \$141,000 of grant funding through their Transportation for Livable Communities Implementation Grant. In addition, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) awarded the City of Strongsville \$100,000 of additional grant funding through their safety fund for the intersection improvement.

During construction at the intersection, delays are expected. The City asks for your patience as we try to further improve our Town Center District by creating a more walkable, pedestrian friendly area that supports further use of the assets in the community.