

The Safe Routes to School program at the Seattle Department of Transportation hosted a walk audit with Sacajawea parents, staff, students, and neighbors this past June.

We heard that neighbors want to:

- Make neighborhood streets safer so that everyone can enjoy walking around
- Be able to walk to bus stops on 15th Ave NE and Lake City Way NE, school, local businesses, and parks
- Slow down speeds, decrease noise from traffic, and make it easier to pull out of your driveway

We want to respond to the community desire for walkways in this neighborhood.

BENEFITS OF COST-EFFECTIVE WALKWAYS

- Separate people walking from people driving
- Narrow the street and slow down traffic
- Cost a fraction of a traditional sidewalk, so we can build a whole network instead of one block
- Provide safer routes to places people want to go, like bus stops, schools, parks, shops

CHALLENGES OF COST-EFFECTIVE WALKWAYS

- Some parking has to be removed to make space for the walkway
- Don't address drainage issues like a traditional sidewalk
- Don't look as nice as a traditional sidewalk

WHAT DO COST-EFFECTIVE WALKWAYS LOOK LIKE?

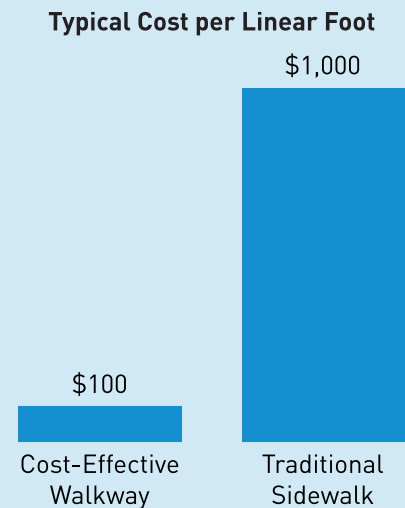
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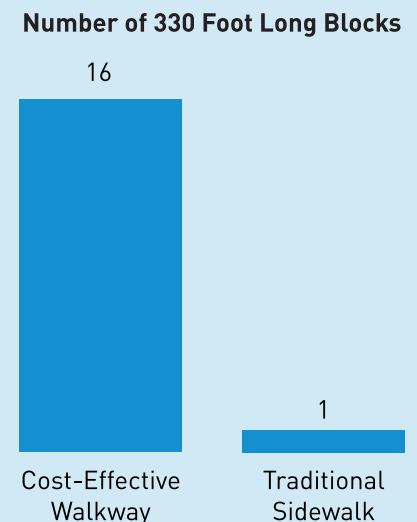
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How much do sidewalks cost?



How many blocks can we build?



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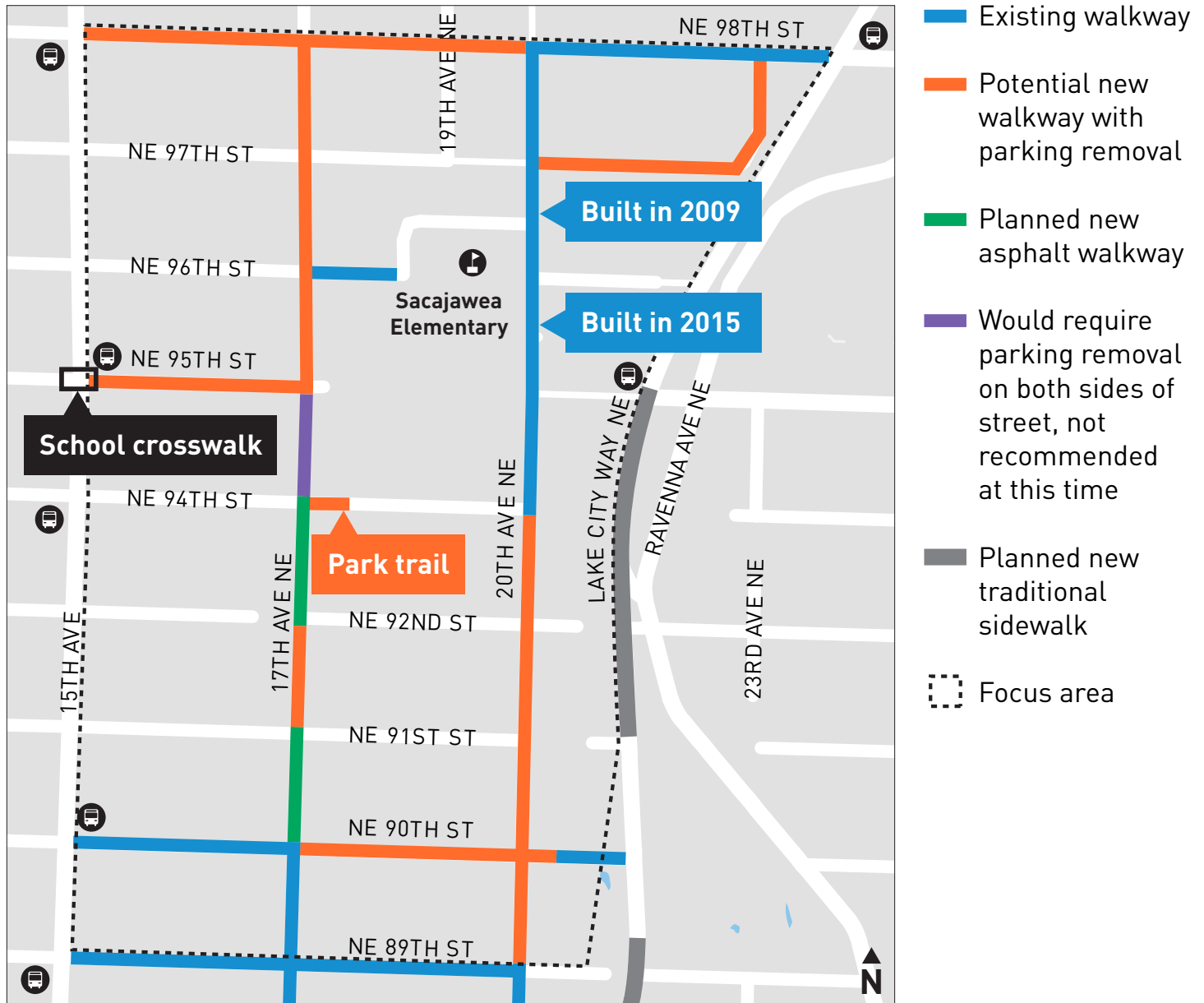


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PRELIMINARY PROJECT TIMELINE



BASED ON THE WALK AUDIT, THESE ARE THE STREETS WE ARE CONSIDERING



Note: We currently have plans to install cost-effective asphalt walkways on 17th Ave NE from NE 90th St to NE 91st St and from NE 92nd St to NE 94th St. These two blocks are flat and can be constructed in asphalt relatively easily.