

# Newtonville Enhancements Project

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After three+ years of planning, design, and public discussion, construction of the Newtonville Walnut Street Enhancements project began in March 2020. The project is a holistic investment in the public right of way and includes new traffic signals and roadway improvements, milling and paving, new wider sidewalks, accessible curb ramps, bike lanes, new line striping and crosswalks, on-street parking, and new streetscape improvements including new street trees, street lighting, and furniture. The project limit includes: Walnut Street, from Newtonville Avenue to Elm Road and Austin Street, from Walnut Street to Lowell Avenue.

When completed, the project will make Newtonville a more inviting destination. Along with the new Public Plaza on Philip Bram Way and public amenities at Washington Place, Newtonville will have many new outdoor venues. Improved safety for all users - pedestrian, bicycle, and cars - is a hallmark of the project. Open space along Walnut Street will create gathering spaces for residents of all ages. Public seating will create places for neighbors to gather, share a meal, coffee or ice cream, and connect.

Construction hours are from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (additional hours if needed).



Widest possible sidewalks in the Village Center; two major pedestrian crossings at intersection of Walnut & Austin Street and Walnut Street & Highland Avenue; simplified intersection at Walnut & Austin Street and Walnut St. & Newtonville Ave.



New wider sidewalks on Walnut Street (East side).

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Widening and pouring sidewalks on the East side of Walnut Street.



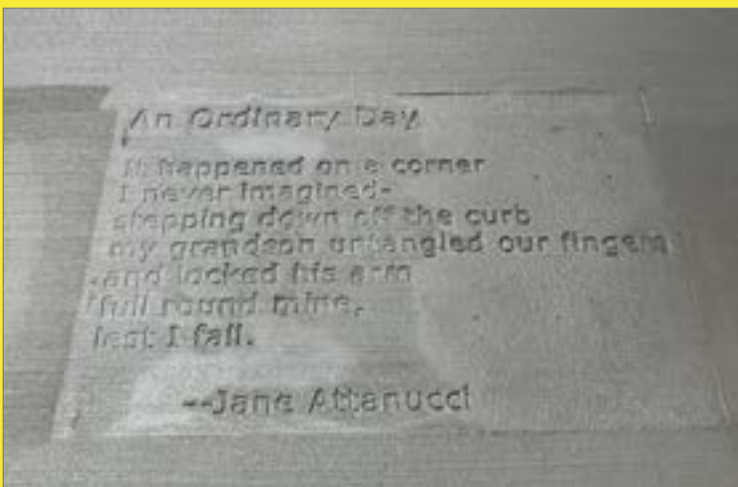
Milling and paving Walnut Street.



New wider sidewalk in front of Rox Diner.



New wider sidewalks in front of Los Amigos and Natural Sense.



As part of ongoing efforts to bring art and literature into the public realm, the City started a pilot program "Make Poetry Concrete" in 2019 to stamp up to 10 selected poems into the concrete of newly constructed sidewalks throughout the City. Three of those poems will be stamped in Newtonville.



New wider sidewalks on Walnut Street (West side).