

# **Appendix B**

## **Public Involvement Synopsis**

# Public Involvement Synopsis

## Virtual Public Meeting

### Public Involvement Synopsis

**City of Bentonville, Arkansas**  
**NE J Street Interchange**  
**Virtual Public Involvement Meeting with Live Event**  
**February 13 – March 4, 2022**

A virtual public involvement meeting was held to present the proposed NE J Street Interchange project in Bentonville, Arkansas.

The virtual public involvement meeting was hosted in English and Spanish on the websites [NEJSreetInterchange.transportationplanroom.com](http://NEJSreetInterchange.transportationplanroom.com) and [NEJSreetInterchange.es.transportationplanroom.com](http://NEJSreetInterchange.es.transportationplanroom.com) from Sunday, February 13 through Friday, March 4, 2022. A virtual public officials meeting and a virtual public involvement meeting live event were both held via Microsoft Teams video conference on Thursday, February 17, 2022. Special efforts to involve minorities and the local community in the virtual public involvement meeting included the following:

- Display ads placed in the Northwest Arkansas Democrat Gazette (February 13 and 20)
- Display ads placed in La Prensa Libre (February 10 and 17)
- Notification/website link posted on City of Bentonville’s website (February 13)
- Letters mailed to public officials
- Emails sent to public officials
- Postcards mailed to property owners and other community contacts
- News release published by City of Bentonville
- Multiple rounds of outreach through City of Bentonville’s social media

The virtual public officials meeting was held at 3:30 p.m. on February 17, 2022. The first half of the meeting consisted of a team presentation, including where to find information on the public involvement meeting website, and a detailed discussion of the conceptual map exhibit and typical section for an arterial boulevard in the city’s Master Street Plan. Throughout the meeting, attendees voiced their questions, comments, and concerns utilizing the Microsoft Teams chat function or by unmuting their device microphones.

The virtual public involvement meeting live event was held at 5:30 p.m. on February 17, 2022. The first half of the meeting consisted of a team presentation, including instructions on how to submit comments, utilize Microsoft Teams, and navigate the public involvement meeting website, and a detailed discussion of the conceptual map exhibit and typical section for an arterial boulevard in the city’s Master Street Plan. The meeting continued with a live question-and-answer forum

# Public Involvement Synopsis

## Virtual Public Meeting

between attendees and subject-matter staff. Participants voiced their questions, comments, and concerns utilizing the Microsoft Teams chat function or by unmuting their device microphones.

Table 1 describes the results of the public participation at the virtual public officials meeting, at the public involvement meeting live event, and on the project websites.

<b>Table 1</b>	
<b>Public Officials Meeting (February 17)</b>	<b>Totals</b>
Attendees, including staff	20
<b>Public Meeting Live Virtual Event (February 17)</b>	<b>Totals</b>
Attendees, including staff	100
<b>Virtual Public Meeting Website (Feb. 11 – March 4)</b>	<b>Totals</b>
Unique Visitors (New Users)	1,912
Visits to the Website (Sessions)	2,592
Number of Website Pages Viewed (Pageviews)	5,484
Percent of Total Users Interacting with Mobile Devices/Tablets	58%
Comment Forms or Letters Received	138
Attendees who Signed Electronic Sign-in Sheet	88
<b>Virtual Public Meeting Website, Spanish (Feb. 11 – March 4)</b>	<b>Totals</b>
Unique Visitors (New Users)	4
Visits to the Website (Sessions)	7
Number of Website Pages Viewed (Pageviews)	28
Percent of Total Users Interacting with Mobile Devices/Tablets	50%
Comment Forms or Letters Received	0
Attendees who Signed Electronic Sign-in Sheet	0

# Public Involvement Synopsis

## Virtual Public Meeting

Table 2 identifies the information available on the English and Spanish virtual public involvement meeting websites and each page's number of views.

Table 2		
Website Page	English Pageviews (5,484)	Spanish Pageviews (28)
<b>Homepage</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Text: Information on the meeting's purpose, project description, virtual public meeting dates, information on providing comments, and guidance for special accommodations, including a phone number to call</li> </ul>	51% (2,784)	43% (12)
<b>Sign-In</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Form: Electronic sign-in sheet</li> </ul>	4% (224)	3.5% (1)
<b>Live Event Information</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Link: Microsoft Teams live event meeting platform</li> <li>Text: Instructions to use the Microsoft Teams Application and how to attend the Live Event</li> <li>Video: Recording of live event posted to website during public comment period</li> </ul>	7% (377)	29% (8)
<b>Project Documents</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Text: Instructions to click on images or links to open the information in a new window</li> <li>Exhibit: Project map conceptual exhibit showing NE J Street improvements between Tiger Boulevard and Interstate 49</li> <li>Exhibit: Master Street Plan typical section for an arterial boulevard</li> <li>Exhibit: Environmental constraints map</li> <li>Link: City of Bentonville bond extension information</li> </ul>	34% (1,862)	21% (6)
<b>Submit a Comment</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Text: Instructions on providing comments and dates to submit; options included a phone number for oral comments, a mailing address, and an email address</li> <li>Form: Electronic comment form</li> <li>Exhibit: Print version of the comment form</li> </ul>	4% (211)	3.5% (1)
Archived project pages viewed by public and not included as part of published meeting website materials	<1% (26)	-

# Public Involvement Synopsis

## Virtual Public Meeting

*Garver staff reviewed all comments received and evaluated their contents. The summary of comments listed below reflects the personal perception or opinion of the person or organization making the statement. The sequencing of the comments is random and is not intended to reflect importance or numerical values. Some of the comments were combined and/or paraphrased to simplify the synopsis process, and the number of individuals is a best approximation.*

### Summarized Comments

88 individuals submitted a total of 138 comments

### Need for the Project

13 individuals expressed comments in support of the project:

- A majority said the project is needed to help handle increased traffic and growth in the area. Reasons provided include the following:
  - There are not enough access points from the interstate on the north side of Bentonville
  - The exits for Highways 72 and 102 are not sufficient
  - It will reduce congestion at J and Central Streets
  - It will reduce congestion at Central and I-49
  - It will reduce congestion at McNelly and Hwy. 72
  - It will provide faster access to I-49
  - It is needed for growth in Pea Ridge area
  - It is needed for Crystal Bridges expansion and influx of traffic
  - It is needed in preparation of the new Walmart Home Office
  - It is needed for overall growth on the north side of Bentonville

### Pedestrian and Bicycle Path

12 individuals commented about the pedestrian/bicycle path. These comments expressed the following:

- A majority requested that the path be moved to the west side of NE J Street to avoid the interstate ramp connections at Interstate 49
- Ensure safety for bicyclists and pedestrians; adequate separation needed; ensure greenspace
- Make the path 12 to 14 feet wide
- Build a pedestrian tunnel parallel with the creek crossing
- Concern that the project will negatively impact bicyclists because it will cut through a well-traveled gravel bike route; close proximity to bike trail systems; will limit future trail expansion

# Public Involvement Synopsis

## Virtual Public Meeting

### Chapel Hill and Allencroft Residents

34 individuals submitted 85 comments and identified themselves as residents in the Chapel Hill subdivision area. A majority of these comments were identical or near identical in their wording.

- The **primary statements** expressed of the following:
  - A four-lane boulevard is too wide and will negatively impact the Allencroft, Chapel Hill, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods; there is not enough space to widen to four lanes with a median
  - Concern about safety for families, cyclists, and the community
  - The project will increase traffic and speeds on NE J Street
  - Residents do not want property taken or impacted
  - The City should prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles, and this project contradicts the city's investment in creating a cycling community
  - There is already adequate, direct access to area from Walton, Central, 8th, and 14th streets
  - The expansion would be disruptive to and impact bike access and the trail system in the area
- These comments **suggested the following primary alternatives** to expanding NE J Street:
  - Extend McCollum to connect with the interstate and the current J Street bridge; reasons provided include disruption to fewer people and less expensive
  - Keep NE J Street as a two-lane road until it is north of the neighborhoods
- **Additional comments** included the following:
  - Questions and concerns about the increased utility demand on the city's infrastructure and how the city is coordinating with the county on sewer, utilities, and wastewater for future growth
  - Concern about vehicles cutting through neighborhoods
  - Concern about increased traffic and congestion
  - Concern about increased noise
  - Concern about any impact to wetland areas
  - Concern about ability to enter and exit neighborhoods
  - Concern about \$37 million cost, including cost of moving power poles and lines
  - Concern about decreased home value
  - Request to design improvements around minimal number of lanes, narrow lanes, ample green space, low speed limit, and traffic calming devices
  - Request to keep boulevard as two or three lanes, consistent with other areas of town with roads going through residential areas

# Public Involvement Synopsis

## Virtual Public Meeting

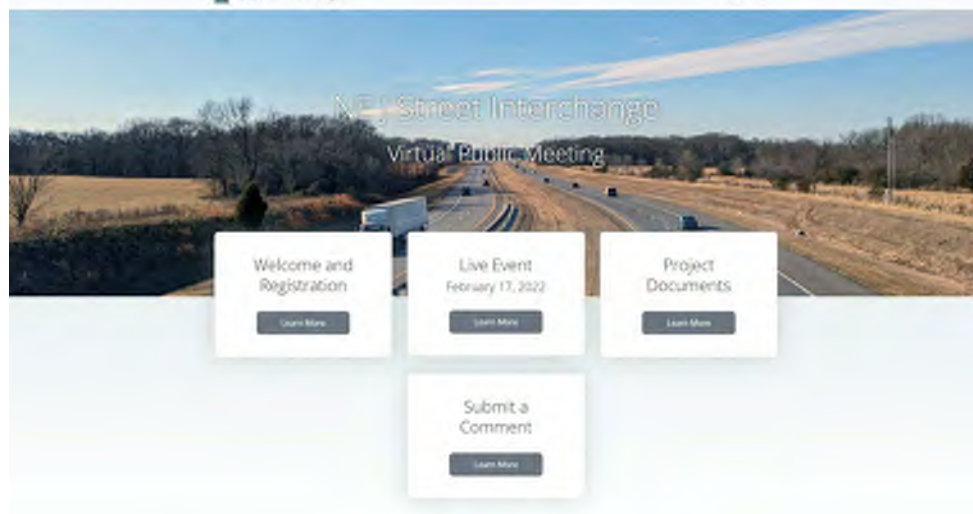
### Other Comments

The other 29 individuals expressed the following:

- Questions about how the alignment of NE J Street would continue north of I-49, and whether it would connect to Water Tower Road, Price Coffee Road, or Ford Springs
- The city should focus on completing projects already started or in construction
- The city should focus on other street improvements, including Moberly, 29th near Sam's Club Home Office, and 8th Street
- The west side of the city is more important for growth; Centerton should be annexed into Bentonville
- There are already enough access points to I-49
- There are enough access points to areas and businesses in this area of the city
- Expansion is only impacting the middle-class side of the road and not the million-dollar homes
- The project would be a waste of taxpayer dollars and not worth the large expense
- Question about possibility of Chapel Hill being a gated community to limit access and increase security
- Question about whether coordination would occur with AT&T for their planned installation of fiber infrastructure to minimize construction activities in the area
- Concern that it will increase traffic and congestion
- Consider a change to the I-49 ramp design: single-point, diverging diamond, or dumbbell to accommodate future traffic
- Owner concern about impact to Keystone property and building with the road expansion
- Concern from a resident on NE J Street that their area of the road is remaining dirt and won't be paved; previous drafts showed their section of road would become paved; concern that increased traffic will exacerbate the clouds of dust kicked up by vehicles that infiltrate their home; already seen issues with dust due to more traffic after opening of bike trails

Attachments:

- Screenshots of virtual public meeting websites in English and Spanish
- Small-scale display maps and exhibits
- Website analytics reports
- Copies of sign-in sheets and submitted comment forms
- Outreach documents
- Newspaper articles



[Visite el sitio web en Español ▶](#)

### Project Overview

Welcome to the Virtual Public Meeting for the NE J Street Interchange. The project proposes to construct a new interchange on Interstate 49 and extend NE J Street northward from Tiger Boulevard across I-49 for approximately 1.1 miles. This will require construction of two bridges, one across Sheenmaker Creek and one across I-49. The proposed NE J Street is classified as an arterial boulevard on the City Master Street Plan consisting of four lanes with a raised center median and pedestrian/bicycle facilities.

### Virtual Public Meeting Overview

This project website provides documents explaining the proposed project, the ability to view and download meeting materials, and a place to submit online comments.

#### Virtual Public Meeting: February 13 - March 4, 2022

Due to concerns about the spread of COVID-19, this Virtual Public Meeting will be a web-based format (no in-person meeting). The information will be available beginning February 13, 2022 and comments are requested by March 4, 2022.

#### Virtual Public Meeting Live Event: February 17, 2022

The live component of the meeting will be held on Thursday, February 17, 2022, from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Citizens will be able to participate by asking questions and making comments with the project team members. To learn about the online meeting format, visit [this page](#) for more information and instructions. Before the meeting, test your web browser. You will have the option to join the meeting by downloading the Microsoft Teams app or by using your web browser.

### Comments

Comments on this project can be submitted in several ways, including but not limited to mail, email, and the online form. Additionally, oral comments can be submitted by calling (501) 823-0730. All comments must be received on or before Friday, March 4, 2022.

### Accommodations

Anyone needing project information or special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is encouraged to write to Lindi Miller, 4701 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR 72118, call (501) 823-0730, or email [PublicInvolvement@GarverUSA.com](mailto:PublicInvolvement@GarverUSA.com). Hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Arkansas Relay System at (Voice/TTY 711). Requests should be made at least four days prior to the of the virtual public meeting date.







# NE J Street Interchange

## Sign-In

[← Homepage](#)

[Next: Live Event Information ▶](#)

Welcome to the Virtual Public Meeting. Please take a moment to fill out the sign-in sheet below.

### Registration form

Scroll down to answer form fields and then click **Submit**.

## NE J Street Interchange

City of Brentonville  
Virtual Public Meeting  
Sign-in Sheet

1. Name

2. Address - City, State, Zip Code

3. Email Address

4. Phone Number

5. Business/Organization

6. How did you hear about the meeting?

**Submit**

Please print your name and email address.

This content is covered by the terms of the license. The data you submit will be used for the form owner. Microsoft is not responsible for the privacy or security practices of this submission, including those with third-party services. Please log out your password.

Powered by Microsoft Forms | The owner of this form has not provided a privacy statement so we may not use your response data. Do not provide personal or sensitive information.



# NE J Street Interchange

## INFO

### Live Event Information

[◀ Homepage](#)

[Next: Project Documents ▶](#)

#### Live Event Information

We invite you to participate in the one-hour, live question/answer session on Thursday, February 17, 2022 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Project staff will be available to answer any questions you may have about the project.



#### How to join the Virtual Public Meeting

When it is time, join the virtual public meeting by clicking the graphic above.

Once you have clicked to join the Microsoft Teams Meeting, follow the below instructions.

- A website will open. Decide how to join the meeting, by joining through the web browser or by downloading and opening the Microsoft Teams App
- Allow Microsoft Teams permission to use your computer's microphone and camera.
- Enter your name in the indicated field and select 'Join now'.
- You also have the option to join by phone only by calling the phone number indicated below.

#### Join the Microsoft Teams Meeting

+1 501 214 8832 United States, U.S. Rock (Toll)

(833) 430 - 2980 United States (Toll-free)

Conference ID: 789 666 4328

#### Meeting Format

The Virtual Public Meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 17, 2022.

Project staff will give a presentation regarding the project. The presentation will include both audio and visual components and will be in English. After the presentation, the project team will respond to questions and comments from attendees.

- To minimize background noise, please check your computer and phone to ensure they are muted.
- To share a comment or ask a question, you may add it to the chat box on the right side of the screen.
- After the presentation, attendees can unmute their devices for a question and answer session, and the project team will also review the chat box to address your comments and questions.



# NE J Street Interchange

## INFO

### Live Event Information

[◀ Homepage](#)

[Next: Project Documents ▶](#)

#### Live Event Information

The Virtual Public Meeting Live Event was held on Thursday, February 17, 2022 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Project staff were available to answer questions about the project. Please view the recording of the meeting below.



#### Meeting Format

The Virtual Public Meeting began at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 17, 2022. Project staff gave a presentation regarding the project. The presentation included both audio and visual components and was held in English. After the presentation, the project team responded to questions and comments from attendees.





# NE J Street Interchange

## DOCUMENTS

[Homepage](#)

[View / Submit a Comment](#)

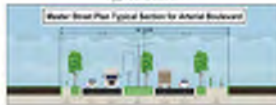
Please take a moment to review the project materials. You will find Bond Extension information for the City of Bentonville, a project map, corresponding typical section, and a constraints map.

Click on each exhibit to open the image in a new window.

Project Map



Typical Section



Constraints Map



City of Bentonville Bond Extension Information





# NE J Street Interchange

## COMMENT

### Submit a Comment

[← Homepage](#)

Thank you for participating in this Virtual Public Meeting. Comments on this project can be submitted in several ways, including but not limited to mail, email, and the online form.

All comments must be received on or before Friday, March 4, 2022.

#### Comment form (online)

Scroll down to answer form fields and then click **Submit**.

### NE J Street Interchange Comment Form

Thank you for your interest in this project and helping the team to provide us with your written comments. Putting your comments in writing is one of the most effective ways to have your concerns addressed.

1. Name

2. Address, City, State, Zip Code

3. Phone Number

4. Email Address

5. Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?

**Submit**

How do we protect your privacy? [Read More](#)

This content is proprietary to a client of the firm. The client has not authorized the firm to share this content for the general or specific purpose of the business, including those of the firm's clients. Thank you for your interest.

Reviewed by: [Michael Lewis](#)  
 Treasurer of the firm has provided written approval as to how this will use your response data. To verify your comments or contact information, [Click Here](#)

#### Comment Form (PDF)

You may email or mail to the addresses provided below.

[PublicInvolvement@Garverusa.com](mailto:PublicInvolvement@Garverusa.com)

Garver  
 Attn: Lindi Miller  
 4301 Northshore Drive  
 North Little Rock, AR 72118



Questions

Responses **0/0**

## NE J Street Interchange Comment Form

Thank you for your interest in this project and taking the time to provide us with your written comments. Putting your comments in writing is one of the most effective ways to have your concerns addressed.

1. Name

Enter your answer

2. Address, City, State, Zip Code

Enter your answer

3. Phone Number

Enter your answer

4. Email Address

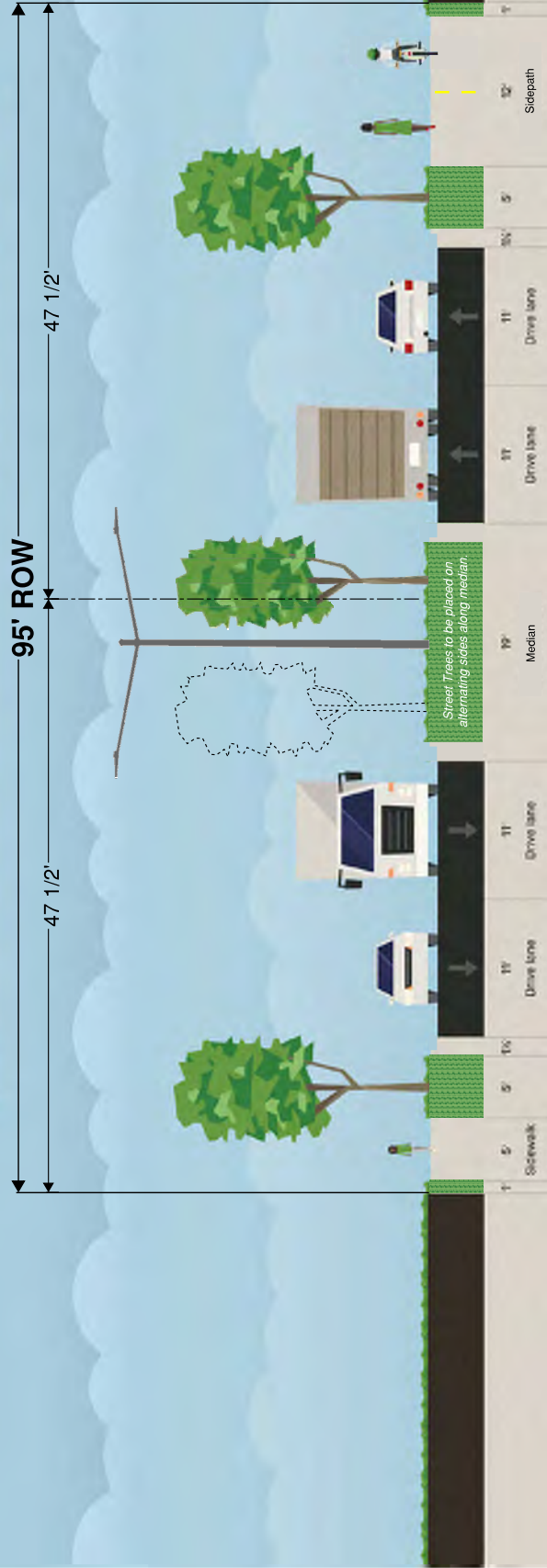
Enter your answer

5. Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?

Enter your answer

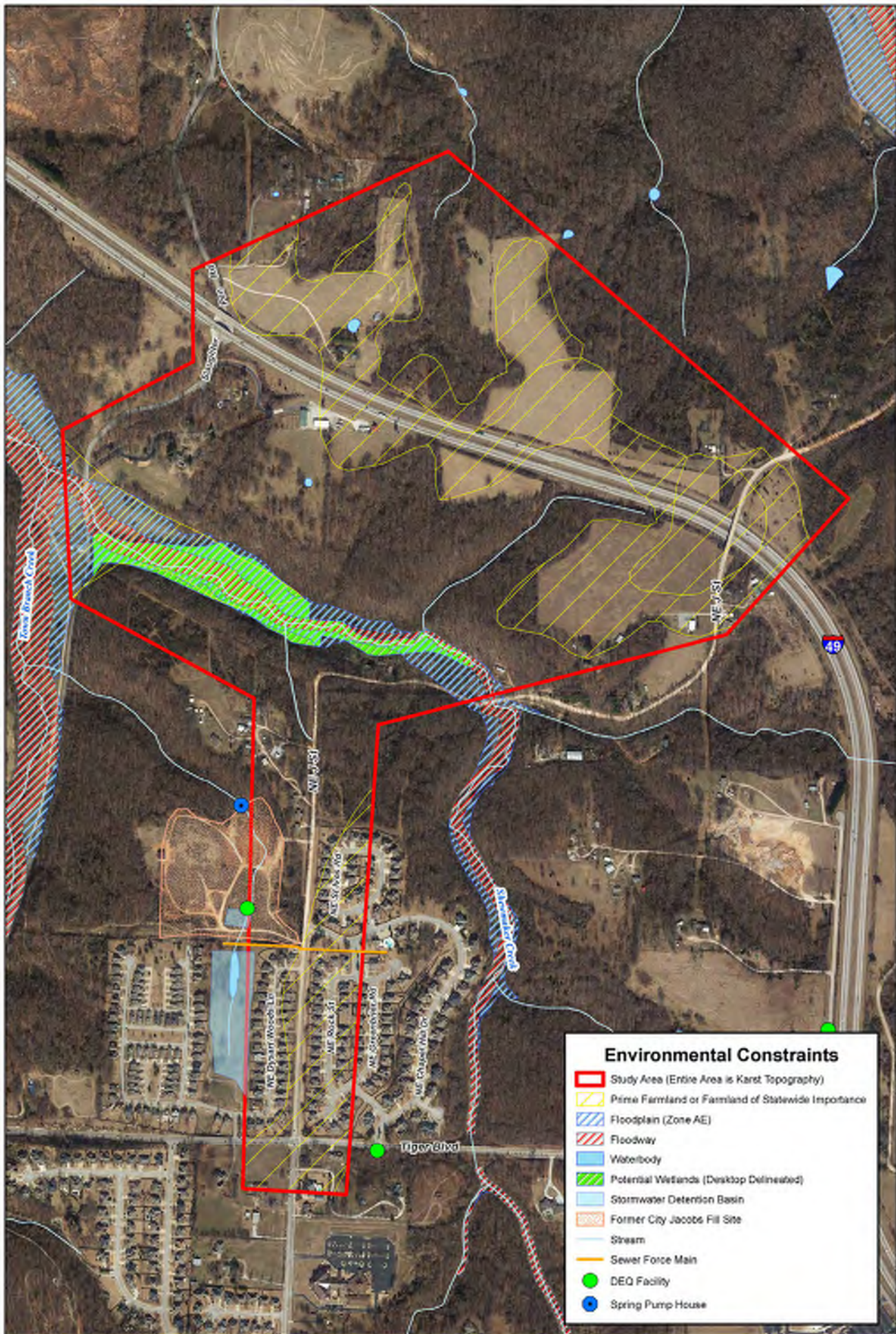
+ Add new

# Master Street Plan Typical Section for Arterial Boulevard









**Environmental Constraints**

- Study Area (Entire Area is Karst Topography)
- Prime Farmland or Farmland of Statewide Importance
- Floodplain (Zone AE)
- Floodway
- Waterbody
- Potential Wetlands (Desktop Delineated)
- Stormwater Detention Basin
- Former City Jacobs Fill Site
- Stream
- Sewer Force Main
- DEQ Facility
- Spring Pump House

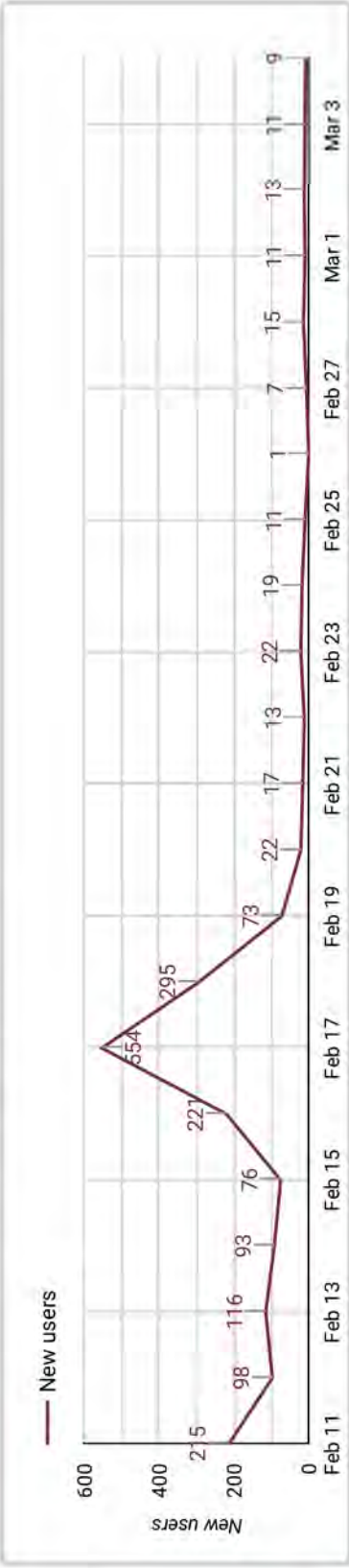
**Bentonville NE J Street Interchange - Environmental Constraints**  
 Benton County

### Attendee Participation

- New users: **1,912**
- Views: **5,484**
- Sessions: **2,592**
- Sessions per user: **1.35**
- User engagement: **41:15:20**

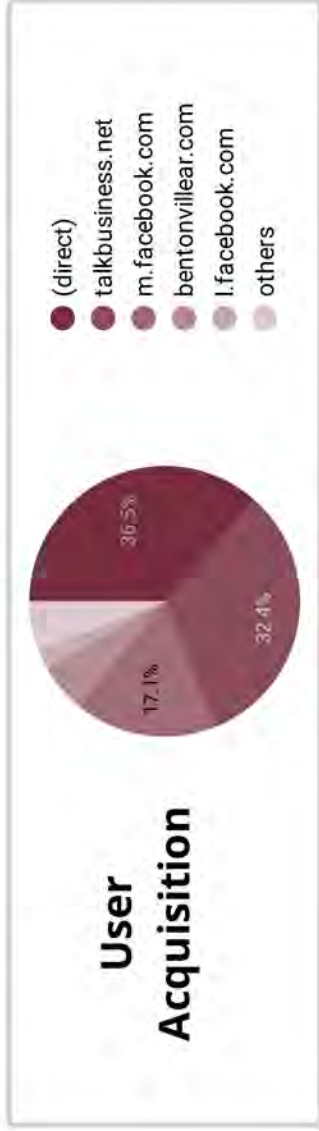
### Devices

- mobile: 58.5%
- desktop: 37.3%
- tablet: 4.2%



### Top Pages

Page	Views	Views %	Views	Views %	Time Spent
1. NE J Street Interchange - NE J Street Interchange	2,784	50.77%	2,784	50.77%	11:22:18
2. Project Documents - NE J Street Interchange	1,862	33.95%	1,862	33.95%	25:08:39
3. Live Event Information - NE J Street Interchange	377	6.87%	377	6.87%	02:59:02
4. Sign-in - NE J Street Interchange	224	4.08%	224	4.08%	00:51:34
5. Submit a Comment - NE J Street Interchange	211	3.85%	211	3.85%	00:52:43
6. Virtual Public Meeting Coming Soon - NE J Street Interchange	23	0.42%	23	0.42%	00:01:04
7. (not set)	3	0.05%	3	0.05%	00:00:00
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>5,484</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>5,484</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>41:15:20</b>



### Engagement by City

(IP Address)

City	New users
1. Bentonville	721
2. Rogers	184
3. (not set)	122
4. Fayetteville	87
5. Bella Vista	76
6. Springdale	64
7. Washington	61
8. Dallas	53
9. Oklahoma City	46
10. Little Rock	31
11. Cheyenne	28
12. Denver	25
13. New York	23
14. Nashville	20
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>1,912</b>

## El Intercambio de NE J Street

Regístrese

Aprenda Más

Información de la Reunión en Vivo

Aprenda Más

Documentos del Proyecto

Aprenda Más

Escribe un Comentario

Aprenda Más

[Visit the English Website](#)**Descripción General del Proyecto**

Bienvenido a la Reunión de Involucramiento Pública Virtual del proyecto para el intercambio de NE J Street. El proyecto consiste de la construcción de un nuevo intercambio en la intersección I-49 y la extensión de la calle NE J Street, hacia el norte desde Tiger Boulevard a través de la I-49 por aproximadamente 1.1 millas. La construcción requerirá de dos puentes, con un puente sobre el arroyo de Shewmaker Creek, y un puente sobre la intersección I-49. La calle propuesta está clasificada como un bulevar arterial en el plan maestro de calles de la ciudad, y consiste de cuatro carriles con una mediana o barrera central elevada y facilidades para acomodar tanto a peatones y ciclistas.

**Descripción General de la Reunión Pública Virtual**

Este sitio web del proyecto proporcionará los documentos que explica el proyecto propuesto, la capacidad de ver y descargar materiales de la reunión y un lugar para proporcionar comentarios. Los comentarios se recibirán hasta el 4 de Marzo del 2022.

**La Reunión Pública Virtual en Vivo: el día 17 de Febrero del 2022**

La ciudad de Bentonville ha programado una sesión interactiva de preguntas y respuestas en vivo que se llevará a cabo el jueves 17 de febrero de 5:30 a 6:30 de la tarde. Los ciudadanos podrán participar haciendo preguntas y comentarios, con asistencia del personal apropiado del proyecto.

Para conocer más acerca del formato de la reunión En Línea (online), visite [este enlace](#) para familiarizarse con la agenda, información e instrucciones. Asegúrese antes de comenzar la reunión, de estar seguro en probar su navegador web (web browser). Tal vez usted necesite descargar (download) un software adicional para poder hacer funcionar la plataforma Microsoft Teams en la reunión.

**Comentarios**

Los comentarios formales sobre este proyecto se pueden enviar de varias formas, incluyendo el correo, el correo electrónico y un formulario de comentarios en línea.

Los formularios de comentarios pueden ser enviados a Garver Attn: Lindi Miller, 4701 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR 72118, a el correo electrónico [PublicInvolvement@Garverusa.com](mailto:PublicInvolvement@Garverusa.com), o puede enviarlos a través del formulario de comentarios en línea. Para enviar comentarios orales, puede llamar al: 501-823-0730

Todos los comentarios deben ser recibidos antes del Viernes 4 de Marzo del 2022.

**Adaptaciones Especiales**

Cualquier persona que necesite información sobre el proyecto o arreglos especiales bajo la Ley de Americanos con Discapacidades (ADA) pueden ponerse en contacto con Lindi Miller, 4701 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR 72118, llamar (501)-823-0730, o por correo electrónico a: [PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com](mailto:PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com)

Si tiene necesidades de comunicación especial, por favor póngase en contacto con el Sistema de Retransmisión de Arkansas al (Voz/TTY 711). Solicitud necesaria cuatro días previos a la reunión pública.

## El Intercambio de NE J Street

## REGÍSTRASE

Regístrese

[Página Principal](#)[Información de la Reunión](#)

Gracias por asistir a la Reunión Pública Virtual. Complete el formulario de inscripción. Si se registra antes del componente en vivo de la reunión, recibirá un correo electrónico con el enlace para unirse a la sesión en vivo en la fecha y hora programadas.

## Formulario de Inscripción

### Formulario de Inscripción para la Reunión Pública Virtual del Intercambio de NE J Street

1. Nombre:

2. Dirección Ciudad, Estado, Código Postal:

3. Dirección de correo electrónico:

4. Número de teléfono:

5. Escriba a quién está representado (Por ejemplo, empresa, usted mismo, una organización):

6. ¿Cómo sabe de la reunión?

Have you not your account? [Sign Up Now!](#)

This content created by the creator of this form. The data you submit will be sent to the form owner. Microsoft is not responsible for the privacy or security practices of its customers, including those of the form owner. Have you not your account?

Powered by Microsoft Forms™

The content of this form does not constitute a contract or any other legal instrument. It is not subject to legal jurisdiction.

# El Intercambio de NE J Street

## REUNIÓN

### Información de la Reunión en Vivo

[← Página Principal](#)
[Documentos del Proyecto ▶](#)

#### Información de la Reunión en Vivo

Participe en la sesión de preguntas y respuestas de la Reunión Pública Virtual en vivo de una hora, el 17 de Febrero del 2022 a las 5:30 p.m. El personal del proyecto estará disponible para responder cualquier pregunta que pueda tener sobre el proyecto.



Haga clic aquí  
para unirse a la  
Reunión en Vivo

#### Cómo unirse a la Reunión Pública Virtual

Haga clic en el imagen a continuación para unirse a la reunión en la fecha y hora indicadas anteriormente.

Una vez que haya hecho clic para unirse a la reunión de Microsoft Teams, siga las instrucciones a continuación.

- Se abrirá un sitio web. Decida cómo unirse a la reunión, uniéndose a través del navegador web o descargando y abriendo la aplicación Microsoft Teams.
- Permita el permiso de Microsoft Teams para usar el micrófono y la cámara de su computadora.
- Ingrese su nombre en el campo indicado y selecciónese "Unirse ahora".
- También tiene la opción de unirse por teléfono solo llamando al número de teléfono que se indica a continuación.

#### Unirse la Reunión de Microsoft Teams

+1 909-214-8932 United States, Little Rock (Toll)

(800) 490-2988 United States (Toll free)

Conference ID: 789 866 8328

#### Formato de la Reunión

La Reunión Pública Virtual empezará el 17 de Febrero del 2022 a las 5:30 p.m.

El personal del proyecto hará una presentación sobre el proyecto. La presentación incluirá los componentes del audio y visual y los dos estarán en inglés. Después de la presentación, el personal del proyecto estará disponible para responder cualquier pregunta que pueda tener sobre el proyecto.

- Para minimizar el ruido de fondo, verifique su computadora y teléfono para asegurarse de que estén silenciados.
- Para compartir un comentario o hacer una pregunta, puede agregarlo al cuadro del chat en el lado derecho de la pantalla.
- Después de la presentación, los asistentes pueden reactivar sus dispositivos para una sesión de preguntas y respuestas, y el personal del proyecto también revisará el cuadro de chat para abordar sus comentarios y preguntas.

# El Intercambio de NE J Street

## Información de la Reunión en Vivo

[◀ Página Principal](#)[Documentos del Proyecto ▶](#)

### Información de la Reunión en Vivo

Una sesión de preguntas y respuestas en vivo se llevó a cabo en el Jueves 17 de febrero del 2022 a las 5:30 p.m. a 6:30 p.m. Vea el video de la reunión. El video está en Inglés, pero hay ayuda gratis para personas con limitación del idioma Inglés. Usted puede comunicarse con Lindi Miller al 501-823-0730.



# El Intercambio de NE J Street

## DOCUMENTOS

[Página Principal](#)[Escribe un Comentario](#)

Revise los documentos del proyecto. Vea el mapa del proyecto, la sección típica de corte, y el mapa de restricciones.

### El Mapa del Proyecto



### Sección Típica de Corte



### Mapa de Restricciones



## El Intercambio de NE J Street

## COMENTARIO

Escribe un Comentario

[← Página Principal](#)

Gracias por asistir a la Reunión Pública Virtual del proyecto para el intercambio de NE J Street.

Los comentarios formales sobre este proyecto se pueden enviar de varias formas, incluyendo el correo, el correo electrónico y un formulario de comentarios en línea.

Los formularios de comentarios pueden ser enviados a Garver Attn: Lindi Miller, 4701 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR 72118, a el correo electrónico [PublicInvolvement@Garverusa.com](mailto:PublicInvolvement@Garverusa.com), o puede enviarlos en el formulario en esta página.

Todos los comentarios deben recibirse antes del 4 de Marzo del 2022.

## Formulario de Comentarios

### Formulario de Comentarios para el proyecto de NE J Street

Gracias por asistir a la Reunión Pública Virtual sobre el proyecto del nuevo intercambio propuesto en la intersección de la calle de NE J Street, frente al Northshore Town Center y frente a la I-49 por aproximadamente 1 milla y media de Northshore, Arkansas.

1. Nombre:

2. Dirección:

3. Número de Teléfono:

4. Dirección de correo electrónico:

5. ¿Tiene comentarios sobre el proyecto propuesto?

Este formulario es para comentarios formales. No puede ser usado para hacer preguntas. Para más información sobre el proyecto, visite [www.nljstreet.com](http://www.nljstreet.com) o llame al 800-444-4444.

Necesita asistencia? [PublicInvolvement@Garverusa.com](mailto:PublicInvolvement@Garverusa.com) o llame al 800-444-4444.

## El formulario de comentario (PDF)

Puede enviar los formularios por correo o correo electrónico.

[PublicInvolvement@Garverusa.com](mailto:PublicInvolvement@Garverusa.com)

Garver  
Attn: Lindi Miller  
4701 Northshore Drive  
North Little Rock, AR 72118





### Attendee Participation

New users  
**4**

Views  
**28**

Sessions  
**7**

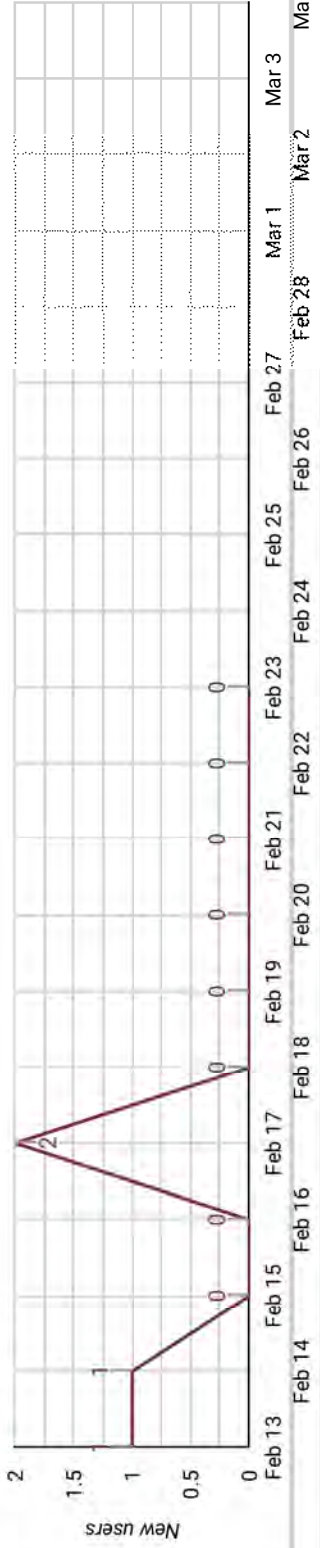
Sessions per user  
**1.4**

User engagement  
**02:23**

### Devices



New users



### Top Pages

Page	Views	Views %	Time Spent
1. El Intercambio de NE J Street - El Intercambio de NE J Street	6	21.43%	00:00:15
2. El Intercambio de NE J Street - NE J Street Interchange (Spanish)	6	21.43%	00:00:38
3. Información de la Reunión en Vivo - NE J Street Interchange (Spanish)	5	17.86%	00:00:00
4. Documentos del Proyecto - El Intercambio de NE J Street	3	10.71%	00:00:13
5. Documentos del Proyecto - NE J Street Interchange (Spanish)	3	10.71%	00:00:51
6. Información de la Reunión en Vivo - El Intercambio de NE J Street	3	10.71%	00:00:09
7. Escribe un Comentario - El Intercambio de NE J Street	1	3.57%	00:00:06
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>00:02:23</b>

### User Acquisition



### Engagement by City

City	New users
1. Bentonville	2
2. (not set)	1
3. Washington	1
4. Jonesboro	0
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>4</b>

Questions

Responses

## Formulario de Comentarios para el proyecto de NE J Street

Gracias por asistir a la Reunión Pública Virtual sobre el proyecto del nuevo intercambio propuesto en la Intersección 49 y la extensión de la calle de NE J Street, hacia el norte desde Tiger Boulevard a través de la I-49 por aproximadamente 1.1 millas, en la ciudad de Bentonville, Arkansas.

1. Nombre:

Enter your answer

2. Dirección:

Enter your answer

3. Número de teléfono:

Enter your answer

4. Dirección de correo electrónico:

Enter your answer

5. ¿Tiene comentarios sobre el proyecto propuesto?

Enter your answer

+ Add new

## NE J Street Interchange Online Registration Form

### Name

1. Dana Davis
2. Lauren Alden
3. Robert Evans
4. Jonathan & Adrienne Woods
5. Kathleen Hansel
6. Dylan Hollums
7. George Skupien
8. Phillip Sand Hansel II
9. James Kirby
10. Terry Pike
11. Patrick Fitzsimmons
12. Pete Blair
13. James Thomas
14. Cynthia Beecher
15. Stevebroughton
16. Howard Dover
17. Cassie Lavery
18. Joseph Richards
19. Bryan
20. Terrie Chisholm
21. Tracey George
22. Darin Many
23. Clayton Metcalf
24. Mitch Moore
25. Danny Bennett
26. Octavio Sanchez
27. Mark Slaughter
28. Noah Gekiere
29. Scott Waymire
30. Dennis Birge
31. Shawn Rankin
32. James Bell
33. Dennis Wagner
34. Susan Lembke
35. Nathan Lembke
36. Paul Jones
37. Victoria Mizner
38. Jason McCrory
39. Greg Matteri
40. Alvin Mizner
41. Jeff Smith
42. Kevin Butler
43. Brad Fisher
44. David/Nancy Gree
45. Jeremy Goucher
46. Duncan Stewart
47. Cheryl Wagner
48. Ify Day

# NE J Street Interchange Online Registration Form

49. Virginia Brady
50. Brett Meek
51. Chad Mease
52. Jan and dan carr
53. Shirley Sutton
54. Lisa Richards
55. Terrie Chisholm
56. Randy Huffman
57. Nicole Gibbs
58. Callan Meek
59. Gina Wallace
60. Jackson Thilenius, AIA
61. David Green
62. David Green
63. Scott McCauley
64. Cindy Acree
65. Cyndi Driggs
66. Matt Rateliff
67. Scott Southwick
68. Daniel Cuz
69. Lindsay Southwick
70. Stuart black
71. Carolyn Russell Larimer
72. Kyle Lockhause
73. Jim / Jerene Cross
74. Jason and Michelle Hoffman
75. Leonardo Arellano
76. Amber Lacewell
77. Jeff and Margo Wagner
78. Elaine Zediker
79. Allencroft POA-Finance
80. Craig Zediker
81. Bryan Aguilar
82. Maggie Peterson
83. Marv Wiseman
84. Peter O'Grodnick
85. Debbie O'Grodnick
86. Keystone properties of Bentonville LLC
87. Marcus Osborne

# NE J Street Interchange Public Officials Meeting

Feb. 17, 2022 | 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Name	Representing
1. Lindi Miller	Garver
2. David Bednar	Garver
3. Jon Hetzel	Garver
4. Bill McAbee	Garver
5. Elizabeth Bowen	NWARPC
6. Ron Petrie	Garver
7. Justice of the Peace Joseph Bollinger	Benton County Quoroum Court
8. Bryan Aguilar	ARDOT
9. Barry Moehring	Benton County Judge
10. Jarrod Brightwell	City of Bentonville
11. Travis Stephens	Greater Bentonville Chamber of Commerce
12. Jay Frasier	Benton County Road Department
13. David Bushey	ARDOT
14. Tim Conklin	NWARPC
15. Chris Sooter	Bentonville City Council
16. Dennis Birge	City of Bentonville
17. Nicole Gibbs	NWARPC
18. Travis Brooks	ARDOT
19. Holly Hook	Bentonville City Council
20. Juliet Richey	Garver

# NE J Street Interchange General Public Meeting "Live" Event

Feb. 17, 2022 | 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

1. Lindi Miller
2. James Bell
3. Jon Hetzel
4. +1 479-273-2841
5. Steven M.
6. Dennis
7. DW
8. Ron Wood
9. Ron Petrie
10. Scott McCauley
11. Greg M
12. Kathleen Hansel
13. Margo Wagner
14. Guest
15. Scott Waymire
16. Cindy Acree & Cyndi Driggs
17. Ginny Brady
18. NE J Street Interchange Virtual Meeting Guest
19. b fisher
20. Matt Rateliff
21. Mr Phillip Sand Hansel II
22. JD
23. Stephanie Orman
24. jan carr
25. Joe Richards
26. Callan Meek
27. Amanda
28. Jarrod Brightwell
29. Kim Griffith
30. Luke Freedle
31. Patrick Fitzsimmons
32. David Bednar
33. Paul Jones
34. Bryan Aguilar
35. Bill McAbee
36. David Bushey
37. Cheryl Wagner
38. +1 479-721-2833
39. Kayvan A
40. Tracey George
41. Julia

# NE J Street Interchange General Public Meeting "Live" Event

Feb. 17, 2022 | 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

42. Brett Meek
43. Kevin Butler
44. Michael Bond
45. Amanda Hughes
46. Jackson Thilenius
47. E Hunter
48. Scott Southwick
49. Lauren Alden
50. Darrick Bradley
51. Michael Bell
52. +1 479-283-8895
53. Al
54. Leonardo Arellano
55. Barry
56. Randy Huffman
57. Shirley Sutton
58. Dylan
59. Jeff Smith
60. +1 479-263-6283
61. Clint and Kelsey Webster
62. Amy Farrar
63. Gil Curren
64. ezediker@gmail.com
65. M Weber
66. Karen Holtmann
67. J hoffman
68. LM
69. Kyle Lockhause
70. Gina Wallace, US-Rogers
71. Daniel Cruz
72. Brian Bode
73. Sam Dean
74. Dylan
75. Cynthia Beecher
76. Sarah
77. TJ Pike
78. +1 601-415-8282
79. Glenn Lewis
80. Jim / Jerene Cross
81. Carolyn Larimer
82. Susan Lembke
83. Mike Burns
84. Danny Bennett

# NE J Street Interchange General Public Meeting "Live" Event

Feb. 17, 2022 | 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

85. +1 601-415-8282
86. Jeff Della Rosa
87. Aaron
88. +1 479-366-6406
89. Day
90. Ron Alden
91. Stuart
92. Chad Mease
93. Al
94. Cassie
95. Amber Lacewell
96. Guest
97. Lindsay Southwick
98. Chris Randall
99. Ron Alden
100. Ron Wood



**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Friday, February 11, 2022 10:18 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Mike Rush

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Where will the new road continue to to the North??

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Friday, February 11, 2022 10:36 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Lauren Alden

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Im really curious where the road goes on the other side of 49? The map clearly shows what's going to happen to J street south of 49 but what about the north side?

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Friday, February 11, 2022 1:56 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Dylan Hollums

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Why isn't the City of Bentonville focused on completing projects that they have already started and haven't completed before committing to new ones? E.g. 8th Street interchange and widening, protected turn lanes at 13th/Tiger and Walton Blvd, 28th Street expansion, Water Tower Road, Greenhouse Road, etc, etc, etc.....

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, February 12, 2022 7:53 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Patrick Fitzsimmons

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** It is unconscionable that you plan to steal my backyard, fence and trees to pave a four lane road, when the house across the street you don't even plan to build up to their existing fence line is. Why do you think you can steal from the middle class but preserve the rich's backyards for this project? Until you change this plan, I will fight you every step of the way.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 13, 2022 12:32 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Patrick Cottrell

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I don't know what the positive economic or public interest impact is for adding this interchange off I-49 but if it's not significant I would not approve of spending the amount of tax payer money necessary to build this project. I believe our government both federal and state have wasted enough money the past 15 years and we must start prioritizing the spending to only that necessary to help taxpayers live with basic necessities and safety / security in our daily lives. Anything else is a waste of tax payer money and must be stopped before we destroy the future of our children and grandchildren totally. We've already put them in extreme debt with our wasteful spending and before we make it impossible for them to ever recover stop this unnecessary spending. NOW!!

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 13, 2022 3:04 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Mark Slaughter

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Yes

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 13, 2022 3:18 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Mark Slaughter

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** As with the new 8th Street interchange, there was a plan to connect the North side to Water Tower RD; if there is not a plan to connect NE J ST with Price Coffee Road, there should be.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 15, 2022 8:27 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Brittany Baize

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** J Street was my introduction to the beauty and accessibility of gravel riding in Northwest Arkansas. Keeping urban access to gravel in Bentonville is important to me as a local rider and as an owner of a vacation rental property that attracts bike tourism to our area. Along with other advocates, I am requesting a 12'-14' wide shared used paved trail parallel with NE J Street (with adequate separation/greenspace) as well as an adequate pedestrian tunnel parallel with the creek crossing. Thank you for keeping our roads safe and accessible to all for multi-modal transportation.



**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 15, 2022 8:51 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Brittany Baize

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** One more comment for consideration: This project can improve safety for all by moving the trail to the west side before/when it crosses the creek. The current plan shows the trail running continuously on the east side but that causes people riding bikes and walking to cross the on/off ramps for the interstate. Moving the trail to the west side would make it safer for all users and reduce potential collisions with cars.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 15, 2022 11:14 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Allan Davis

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Why not use the existing J Street Bridge versus spending tax dollars to construct a new bridge? What will happen to existing J Street bridge and North route of J street if not using? What is the proposed route of the New J Street going North? Will it connect to the existing J Street or is there a new proposed route going North? Does this change the timeline or the viability of the Slaughter Pen Exit?

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 15, 2022 12:08 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Aimee Ross

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** As an engaged cyclist living in the city of Bentonville who loves to ride our mountain bike trails, gravel, and paved roads I'm submitting the following requests to help keep our corridors safe for cyclists as our community continues to grow. - request to move the trail to the west side of NE J Street, to avoid cyclists and pedestrians having to cross the on/off ramps for the interstate and avoid future collisions - request a 12'-14' wide shared used paved trail parallel with NE J Street with adequate separation/greenspace Thank you for your consideration.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 16, 2022 9:06 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Garrett

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Please ensure there is safe cycling and pedestrian infrastructure. Taking J over the freeway is one of the few ways a cyclist can currently safely go from W Bentonville to the E side of the freeway

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 16, 2022 9:37 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Tyler Cloutier

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** After reviewing the plans for the NE J Street interchange project, I do not see how this would provide any benefit to the community. There is already an intersection at Central Ave, 8th, 14th, and another further north at Walton. Putting another interchange provides nothing except one less additional minute to get to the highway. More importantly, this project would have a significant environmental impact in an area where woods and open spaces are already being torn down at an alarming rate. At first glance this seems like a good idea, but in reality adding this interchange does nothing but damage.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 16, 2022 12:32 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Jeff Smith

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Comments 1. I am concerned with the current proposal with how close the road and sidewalks will be to our existing fence line. I am not aware of any other roads in the city that have been constructed this close to the property owners' fences. I question whether or not we need to use 95 feet or can the number of lanes be decreased? It seems like an overkill to have 4 lanes of traffic ending at an intersection that has only two lanes of traffic in the other 3 directions. 2. I am concerned with the proposed lighting for the road and the excess amount of light pollution created at night. We should follow the same construction as found on other roads such as Tiger Blvd. 3. I am very concerned with the additional noise pollution created by this proposal. What will be done to mitigate the noise? 4. Will the elevation of the road remain at the current level? I am concerned with obstructing the runoff from my backyard and the proper drainage of the lines that are installed to manage water from my gutters. 5. What will be done to replace or reimburse property owners for landscaping (trees) planted in this area? Do the plans call for replacing the trees or installing new trees to reduce noise and light pollution? 6. With the increase in traffic, will the city allow Chapel Hill to be a gated community to limit access to the neighborhood and increase security? 7. Will the project coordinate with the AT&T for their planned installation of fiber infrastructure to minimize the construction activities in this area?

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 16, 2022 1:37 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Kayvan Afrasiabi

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I support the project however there are some critical improvements I would implore: 1) Move the bicycle trail to the west side of the road as it approaches the interchange, having the trail on the opposite side of the onramps. Cyclists and pedestrians will be much more comfortable not having to cross 4 onramps - 4 points of collision. 2) Reduce the road from 4 lanes to 3, two directions and a turning lane in the middle. Studies have shown that 3 lane roads can carry the same capacity as 4 lanes with multiple added safety benefits - less points of conflict from people changing lanes, more visibility for drivers and cyclists, no traffic jams or rear ending caused by people waiting to turn left, less speeding - all without sacrificing capacity. The increased safety of the 3 lane road versus the 4 allow for a better experience for everyone: pedestrians, cyclists, and even drivers. If 4 lanes need to be kept as the road comes off the interchange, going south, keep that section with trees in the median, but then reduce the road to 3 lanes as it approaches the neighborhoods into town - think of the children! Thanks for giving the public access to participate - excellent civic engagement. Godspeed

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 16, 2022 2:22 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Daniel  
**Address, City, State, Zip Code:**  
**Phone Number:**  
**Email Address:**

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Need as much greenspace as possible between the road and paved trail. Paved trail should be on the east side of the road. Once the road goes over the stream, switch it the west side to avoid the interstate interchange. This can be done going under the bridge or having an additional box culvert. Want the trail on the east since there is not much greenspace between the road and Allencroft Subdivision. Need to have a barrier between the road and trail when going across the bridge. If crossing with a box culvert, make sure there is still a greenspace. Make sure the trails meets AASHTO standards for Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities latest edition. Keep the speed limit low. Install trees along the roadway to help keep speeds down. Keep radii as small as you can to help keep speeds down which will help make crossings safer. Have a green island for as much of it as you can with the trees in it. Please don't remove the trees and island like on the J Street by Crystal Bridges.



**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 16, 2022 4:30 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Brad Fisher

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** The plan does not currently show plans on how/where this would connect to Ford Springs / Price Coffee Roads. What are those? How does that connect to and impact or influence the road improvement on those roads as well as Mcnelly/Cty Road 40 that are planned and or required for future school development on the land owned by Bentonville public schools on Ford Springs road? Is there a planned time frame for the shown work and future work to extend to those roads?

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 16, 2022 10:08 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Tara Hollums

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Was a traffic study depicting the need for this interchange to improve traffic flow in the city? If so, was the completion of the 8th Street interchange included in the study? Where does this interchange project rank on the needs the city has to improve traffic flow? Is it higher than those of Greenhouse road, Walton Blvd & Airport Blvd, 28th St expansion, Walton & 14th Street, etc. ? Thank you,

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 16, 2022 10:47 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Jay Hall

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** By building this interchange you will be destroying a major thing Bentonville is known for and attracts thousands of visitors yearly. This plan cuts through a well traveled gravel bike route that is used individually and now by The Big Sugar Gravel Race. This area is also In close proximity to the slaughter pen and hand cut hollow mountain bike trail systems. Any future expansion for these will be nullified. This can have an adverse affect on the bike tourism we see and benefit from. Access to the new Walmart campus has several roads already including Central Ave., 14th St. and the newly built 8th St. interchange. Is this not enough? If Walmart insists on another access point then why not do it where Tiger Blvd already comes to I-49 and not destroy our natural areas?

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 17, 2022 7:40 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** RICHARD ALPE

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** This road is sorely needed and promised way before either subdivisions it will effect were thought of and planned. As a member of the original committee to build Saint Stevens Catholic Church, we bought enough land to allow plenty of room for future street improvements. I urge the swift completion of the road because the need has become critical to handle the heavy traffic in NE Bentonville entering and exiting Interstate 49. Exits of Hwy 72 and Hwy 102 are just insufficient for the traffic volume currently.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 17, 2022 7:41 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Shelby Smiley

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** The current plans will require walkers and riders to cross the on/off ramps. This is very dangerous. Please consider moving the west side.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 17, 2022 8:44 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Jeff Wadlin

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I love the idea of connecting J St to 49! I live by the Dollar General at J and Central. This new 49 access will reduce congestion at the J and Central intersection and give everyone on this area quicker access to 49. Also it will cut down on congestion at Central and 49 and McNelly and 72 with all the traffic coming in and out of Bella Vista. I used to live in North Bentonville on Spanker Creek Rd and take dirt roads (Gooseberry and North J St) into town for work every day. This connection will give another option to folks living up north to come in quickly and easily into the center of Bentonville. Plus I think the Brewers would happily sell the land you need to make that cut across the creek from J to 49. Love it, love it. Hope you can make it happen in the next year or two and it isn't dragged out for decades.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 17, 2022 10:20 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Robert Holley

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I am against this proposed interchange linking the interstate to Tiger Blvd and J street. Tiger Blvd and J are already heavily traveled roads. The area is also heavily traveled by bicyclists, joggers, and walkers. The proposed exit will only exacerbate an already heavily traveled area. I understand that the area has out grown it's current roadways but cutting a 4 lane exit thru neighborhoods and untouched land may help relieve some traffic but at what cost to the community. I urge everyone to think of all the negative consequences of this proposed route and to rethink this proposal. I believe the overall impact to the community will not be a net positive but a net negative to our residents.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 17, 2022 10:34 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Thomas G. Rife

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** The infrastructure needs of Bentonville are huge because of the population increases. We need more roads on the west side of Bentonville as that is where the growth is occurring. The NE J Interchange, while needed for the future, is not and should not be a priority. The 112 corridor and the 279 corridor will be needed soon. Maybe annex Centerton into Bentonville and work on the west side. We have 3 access points on I49. Do we really need an 4th.



**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 17, 2022 11:23 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Richard Latham

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I am a gravel and mountain Biker. This developement would impede my ability to access the many gravel roads that I cherish and race. I take the j st road and am very concerned with an increase of traffic. As a cyclist, I try to avoid as many paved roads as possible with the fear of being hit by a car. Please do not develop j st.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 17, 2022 11:49 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Lisa McCool

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** It appears the pedestrian/bike path runs along the east side, leading to unnecessarily increased interactions between vehicles and people. If the path could relocate to the west side it would be safer for everyone.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 17, 2022 12:55 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** Extend J to I-49

Yes, please extend J to I-49. Thank you.

Janine Stratton

[REDACTED]

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 17, 2022 1:02 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Ron Gilbert  
**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]  
**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]  
**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Love it! Would definitely be a plus for North Bentonville. 110% support the interchange.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 17, 2022 2:47 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Cynthia Beecher

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I am worried that this project will bring more traffic, noise and congestion to Slaughter Pen Rd, The proposed site of the bridge over 49 looks like it will be in direct line of sight of my home. Shady Oak Lane is a lovely area and this project will take away from the peacefulness of the area.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 17, 2022 5:48 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Lisa. Richards

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** There are very few residents in this area and the road dead ends at Price Coffee with million dollar homes. Besides Real Estate Investors, how does this benefit the majority of residents who are funding the Bond? According to City documents, this is a \$38 Million project...significantly more than any other road project.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 17, 2022 5:53 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Lisa Richards

**Address, City, State, Zip Code** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I cannot join by web browsing like your link offers. I do not have the ability to download apps/Microsoft Teams. Is there a way to view meeting by web link?

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 17, 2022 6:03 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Lisa Richards

**Address, City, State, Zip Code** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number** [REDACTED]

**Email Address** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Is this project in Bentonville City limits or the County?



**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 17, 2022 6:17 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Lamar Steiger

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Absolutely move forward on this project. As eastern and north parts of Bentonville grows and the acceleration of growth in Pea Ridge occurs; any new artery in and out of town is crucial.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 17, 2022 6:55 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Aaron Boehmler

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** It seems the three lane typical makes a lot of sense until the first bridge over Shewmaker, however, purchasing additional right of way for utilities and future expansion needs to happen now. With the expansion of Crystal Bridges, this interchange will get an influx of traffic. I am in favor of the side path on the west side of J Street to connect to future trails and neighborhoods on the north side of I-49 but I understand the complications for the typical section. Keep in mind the mountain bike trail connections that will come from slaughterpen ( shewmaker creek)which makes the side path on the west more accessible in the long run. Thank you for your presentation this evening and I look forward to seeing how the design progresses.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 17, 2022 7:48 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Daron Calico

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I am in favor of the project. I believe the bike trail should be extended along the route as well. I bike, but I drive more, and we need this as another path for all the folks commuting in from north of the city, which will only grow.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Friday, February 18, 2022 12:03 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Christian Ardito

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Absolutely support this project.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Friday, February 18, 2022 6:33 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Dylan Parrish

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I am against using NE J St for an Interchange. There are plenty of ways to get to I-49 as is. Thank you, Dylan P.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Friday, February 18, 2022 7:16 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Lindsay custer

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Please don't do it. We don't need an exit every two seconds and it will disturb that amazing gravel road connector and those houses that are now quiet.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Friday, February 18, 2022 8:27 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Dylan Parrish

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Follow-Up Comment: Upon further review, the concern for growth in the area is very reasonable and this plan seems well thought-out. I would be completely for the proposed plan as long as it doesn't have any direct affect on the neighborhoods or biking trails in that area. The original NE J St is a very important thoroughfare for Gravel Cyclists and Moutain Bikers and I believe there would be much pushback if the original gravel road didn't survive this project. That being said, the proposed cycling features that are in this project would be very welcome and seems like it would reflect well upon our dedication to the cycling community in NWA. Thank you, -Dylan P.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Friday, February 18, 2022 9:13 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Justin Snopko

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** - The exit, as designed, will only cause traffic congestion. A better designed interchange that will accommodate future traffic would be in our best interest. Single point, diverging diamond, dumbbell.... - The divided road and sidewalks are good for aesthetics and safety.



**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Friday, February 18, 2022 9:48 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Laura Johnson

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** There are already multiple entrances to I-49 including Central which is very close. Extending J street seems like a large expense for limited use. Additionally the additional noise caused by the extension and expansion of J street will have a negative impact on the surrounding housing.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Friday, February 18, 2022 10:27 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Karen Trimberger Brady

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Great idea. We need to distribute the traffic it all can't be on South Walton and Central.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Friday, February 18, 2022 11:16 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Jerry Bradford

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** What is the eventual plan to extend the dead end of the northbound access? Will it extend to Price Coffee Rd or Ford Springs Rd?

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Friday, February 18, 2022 1:23 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Shannon Madden

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** The proposed J street extension project is a terrible idea. It would add a major artery right down the middle of multiple neighborhoods and a park area. Traffic will be a nightmare.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Friday, February 18, 2022 4:29 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Maggie Peterson

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I understand there has been discussion of three lanes outside our subdivision - Chapel Hill, including the bike lane. Also heard the cost is a half million to move the utility poles. In all honesty I never expected to to have a freeway entrance almost on top of our home. So in that respect I am opposed to it altogether. But I don't believe as a resident our opinion will change the direction the city is moving toward. Considering the costs of homes in Bentonville, spending a half million dollars to move the utility poles is reasonable. I am extremely concerned about the value of my home now, where before I was not. I'm disappointed and concerned with this proposed entry/exit. In essence Chapel Hill will become a cut through. I cannot imagine any CH resident being in favor of this proposed project.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, February 19, 2022 12:26 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Dan  
**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** Centerton Arkansas  
**Phone Number:**  
**Email Address:**

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Central already leads to the interstate. J Street already intersects with Central. J Street passed Central leads to Tiger Blvd which leads to North Bentonville and the interstate a quarter mile down the road. Just because the handful of multimillionaire and billionaires that live on the edge of Tiger Blvd want easy access to the interstate doesn't mean our taxes go up to pay for it. Leave our tax money alone or make the people that want this pay out of their own pockets. I work for a living thank you.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, February 19, 2022 10:03 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Dennis Cogan

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** FANTASTIC long term expansion plan, thank you! Given the growth trajectory of Bentonville & Bella Vista (plus the unincorporated areas on both sides of HWY 540 in North Bentonville), this will undoubtedly alleviate the massive traffic that will occur at Exit 88 and along Central when the new Home Office opens. Those who live on the North Side have only TWO primary ways into Bentonville (on the North side): 1) Exit 93 going South on crowded Walton Blvd. 2) Exit 88 during West on Central (which will be a nightmare when the new H.O. opens!) The third entry from the North is Ford Springs Road to Downtown or branching off to J Street, but it's a two lane road, with many blind curves and a significant danger of head on collisions ... especially with the number of low-experience Bentonville High School student drivers (literally racing) to school each morning between 6:45am and 7:45am (the "Horror Hour" on Ford Springs Road!) So expanding NE J Street to 4 lanes (with divider) connecting to a new highway on/off ramp will be a significant positive addition to the infrastructure of North Bentonville. Thanks so all for such care, diligence and foresight in planning this for us! Sincerely, Dennis & Joan Cogan  
Bentonville residents for 24 years

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 20, 2022 10:40 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Peter O'Grodnick

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** It was referenced Feb 17th live event that there would be a noise survey conducted for this North J St. project. The concern that was raised by one of the callers is that the study would be going off current traffic only. He was correct in stating that there would be a larger count of bikes the automobiles on any given day. Once there is another access point out of town we all know this will change drastically. For the study I would highly suggest that the city make available 5-10 similar project study before and after results. I think its important to understand how these studies are being conducted and more importantly how accurate the information is. How do we get access to this type of information? The concern stems around other studies that have been conducted within the city that have in many cases mislead the people of Bentonville and the decisions being made. Thank you



**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 22, 2022 6:39 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Kimberly Griffith

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** My Chapel Hill house backs up to J street. I am extremely concerned over the safety of children, pets, cyclists and our community with any expansion. Please consider extending McCollum to intersect the the current J Street bridge and leave north J street as a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill and Allencroft neighborhoods end, before extending to three lane max.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 23, 2022 10:07 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Lindsay Southwick

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Thank you for bringing the proposed plan for north J Street to our attention. I appreciate your willingness to answer questions and hear public feedback at the meeting. This proposed project poses many problems and concerns. Among my concerns is that wider roads will likely mean higher speeds and more traffic, which will ultimately lead to roads that are less safe for kids, families, and cyclists. This project seems to contradict Bentonville's own investments in creating a cycling community with a focus on non-vehicle traffic. While I can appreciate and understand the need for future planning of our city, it is as important to assess the impact of current residents and to make plans that safely accommodate all who live here. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents. Thanks,  
Lindsay Southwick Chapel Hill Resident

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 23, 2022 10:26 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** Citizen Comment - NE J Street Interchange

Dear Sirs and Madams,

I am writing in concern to the [NE J Street Interchange](#) project.

I live in Chapel Hill and as such will be directly impacted by this proposed project. Given the existing access from North Walton, Central, 8th Street and 14th Street, I do not believe that adding an additional interchange is necessary. Further, it would bring traffic to and by our neighborhood that would negatively impact our neighborhood and the surrounding biking infrastructure. If another access point is deemed necessary for growth, please consider another alternative like extending McCollum to intersect the the current J Street bridge and leave north J street as a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill and Allencroft neighborhoods end.

I am for progress however, I am extremely concerned over the safety of children, pets, cyclists and our community with any expansion.

Thank you,  
Jessi Charlesworth

[REDACTED]

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 23, 2022 12:31 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Marcus Osborne

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I'd like to understand why this would need to be a 4-lane road. It seems like this is a bit more than is necessary. J Street itself from Tiger to Central is only 2-lanes with a central turn lane. And Tiger is only 2-lanes. So why wouldn't the interchange just be a 2-lane road (maybe with a turning lane) similar to J Street south?

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 23, 2022 1:28 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** Proposed Plan for NE J Street Interchange

Dear Sirs and Madams,

Thank you for bringing the proposed plan for north J Street to our attention. I appreciate your willingness to answer questions and hear public feedback at the meeting.

This proposed project poses many problems and concerns. My Chapel Hill house backs up to J street. Please consider another alternative.

Among my concerns is that wider roads will likely mean higher speeds and more traffic, which will ultimately lead to roads that are less safe for kids, families, and cyclists. This project seems to contradict Bentonville's own investments in creating a cycling community with a focus on non-vehicle traffic.

While I can appreciate and understand the need for future planning of our city, it is as important to assess the impact of current residents and to make plans that safely accommodate all who live here. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents.

Thank you.....

**-Phil Goodpaster †**

[REDACTED]

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 23, 2022 1:34 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Phil Goodpaster

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Thank you for bringing the proposed plan for north J Street to our attention. I appreciate your willingness to answer questions and hear public feedback at the meeting. This proposed project poses many problems and concerns. My Chapel Hill house backs up to J street. Please consider another alternative. Among my concerns is that wider roads will likely mean higher speeds and more traffic, which will ultimately lead to roads that are less safe for kids, families, and cyclists. This project seems to contradict Bentonville's own investments in creating a cycling community with a focus on non-vehicle traffic. While I can appreciate and understand the need for future planning of our city, it is as important to assess the impact of current residents and to make plans that safely accommodate all who live here. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 23, 2022 8:36 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Kimberly Griffith

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** This proposed project poses many problems and concerns. Among my concerns is that wider roads will likely mean higher speeds and more traffic, which will ultimately lead to roads that are less safe for kids, families, and cyclists. This project seems to contradict Bentonville's own investments in creating a cycling community with a focus on non-vehicle traffic. While I can appreciate and understand the need for future planning of our city, it is as important to assess the impact of current residents and to make plans that safely accommodate all who live here. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 23, 2022 9:28 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Amber Lacewell

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** This proposed project poses many problems and concerns. Among my concerns is that wider roads will likely mean higher speeds and more traffic, which will ultimately lead to roads that are less safe for kids, families, and cyclists. This project seems to contradict Bentonville's own investments in creating a cycling community with a focus on non-vehicle traffic. My Chapel Hill house backs up to J street. I would strongly urge you to please consider another alternative such as extending McCollum to intersect with the current J Street bridge and leave north J street as a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill and Allencroft neighborhoods end. Furthermore, I am very concerned about the increased noise that would be sure to follow such a project. One of the main reasons we chose to purchase our home in this area and particular neighborhood was the quiet and relative privacy we enjoy and how much natural space we have access to in our backyard and neighborhood. A project of this level will greatly increase noise around our home and reduce our privacy as more vehicles travel directly behind us. While I can appreciate and understand the need for future planning of our city, it is as important to assess the impact of current residents and to make plans that safely accommodate all who live here. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents.



**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 24, 2022 11:28 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Jerene Cross

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Hello, My husband and I have lived in Bentonville for 34 years and are so grateful to have reared our 3 children here. Please consider making the interchange road leading to our city center only two lanes wide, with a turning lane or a median, like the rest of J street. For safety, to be less intrusive on current residents, and to prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles, While planning for the future of our city, let's create plans for growth that are safe for our current residents, and that Please consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would. Thank you for your consideration, Jerene Cross Chapel Hill Resident

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 24, 2022 11:43 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** J. Cross

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I'm thankful to have lived in Bentonville for 34 years. My Chapel Hill subdivision backs up to J street. Please consider other alternatives like extending McCollum to intersect the current J Street bridge and leave north J street as a two lane road, or keep the J St. extension the same width as the rest of J St. - two lanes with a turning lane or a median. While I'm for progress, I am concerned for the safety of children, pets, cyclists, and sidewalk pedestrians. Thanks, J. Cross

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 24, 2022 12:02 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Cc:** Jim Cross  
**Subject:** NEJ Street Interchange

Lindi,  
Thanks for the opportunity to submit comments: I am,

James F. (Jim) Cross Jr.  
[REDACTED]

I currently live in the Chapel Hill subdivision. I have been a resident of Bentonville since 1988.

I think a two lane road with a bike and pedestrian trail is all that is needed for this new section of NE J street to the interstate.

All roads currently leading to or around the Crystal Bridges Art Museum as well as the Amazeum are two lane.

John Deshields Boulevard, NE J street north of Central Avenue, Tiger Boulevard and McCullum Street.

We have a precedent for Boulevards to be two lane in this area of town.

Anything more than two lanes will increase congestion in this area of town. We already experience 24 hour a day traffic noise from I49, which is a mile from our subdivision to the north and east. More that two lanes on NW J will just increase the noise.

My experience for the last 11 years living in this area is there is very little traffic after 8:30 in the morning. An increase happens around 2-3 when schools let out, then is calms back down until after 5.

Most of the traffic to the Museums would happen in between these times. In my opinion that is not significant enough to justify the expense of the road proposed.

Lets build two lanes and study the traffic flow count. I think we would discover it would mirror my opinion.

Sincerely,

Jim Cross  
[REDACTED]

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 24, 2022 12:24 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Ken Leonard

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Plans currently show a shared-use paved trail running northward from Tiger Boulevard across I-49. I would like to ask the city to move the trail over to the west side as it approaches the new interchange. This will reduce the potential for collisions with trail users as cars enter and exit the Interstate via on and off-ramps. Thank you.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 24, 2022 12:26 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Beth Keck

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Plans currently show a shared-use paved trail running northward from Tiger Boulevard across I-49. It seems that moving the trail over to the west side as it approaches the new interchange will reduce the potential for collisions with trail users as cars enter and exit the Interstate via on and off-ramps.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 24, 2022 12:50 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Lindsay Southwick

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the proposed north J Street extension project. As mentioned in the meeting on February 17th, a four lane road is too wide given the current layout of north J Street. Garver Engineering Firm conceded this fact during the meeting. With Allencroft, Chapel Hill, and the new Hawthorne Heights development, there is simply not enough space to accommodate four lanes and a center median without encroaching on the properties of residents who live there. The suggestion of potentially taking land from any of the residents who live along this road is outrageous and I hope any plans to move forward with the project will not include this as part of the proposal. Should a project of this magnitude be necessary (which I argue it is not), it seems there are less intrusive alternatives to alleviate potential vehicle traffic that should be considered. Ideas proposed at the meeting include: - Extending north McCollum to the interstate instead of J Street. This would accomplish the same thing but be much less intrusive to residential areas. - Leaving north J Street as a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods end. When these ideas were proposed at the meeting there were no answers as to why those couldn't be looked into and/or prioritized. There is currently no data that supports the need to turn J Street into a four lane road. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. Every effort should be made to keep vehicle traffic to a minimum to maintain the safe community the residents who live in this area have enjoyed for many years. Thank you, Lindsay Southwick

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 24, 2022 12:51 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** north J Street extension concern

I would like to voice my opposition to the proposed north J Street extension project.

As mentioned in the meeting on February 17th, a four lane road is too wide given the current layout of north J Street. Garver Engineering Firm conceded this fact during the meeting. With Allencroft, Chapel Hill, and the new Hawthorne Heights development, there is simply not enough space to accommodate four lanes and a center median without encroaching on the properties of residents who live there. The suggestion of potentially taking land from any of the residents who live along this road is outrageous and I hope any plans to move forward with the project will not include this as part of the proposal.

Should a project of this magnitude be necessary (which I argue it is not), it seems there are less intrusive alternatives to alleviate potential vehicle traffic that should be considered. Ideas proposed at the meeting include:

- Extending north McCollum to the interstate instead of J Street. This would accomplish the same thing but be much less intrusive to residential areas.
- Leaving north J Street as a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods end.

When these ideas were proposed at the meeting there were no answers as to why those couldn't be looked into and/or prioritized. There is currently no data that supports the need to turn J Street into a four lane road.

It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. Every effort should be made to keep vehicle traffic to a minimum to maintain the safe community the residents who live in this area have enjoyed for many years.

Thank you,

Lindsay Southwick  
[REDACTED]

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 24, 2022 1:51 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Cc:** trobinson@bentonvillear.com; gagnew@bentonvillear.com; cacree@bentonvillear.com; csooter@bentonvillear.com; apatterson@bentonvillear.com; bburckart@bentonvillear.com; osanchez@bentonvillear.com; hhook@bentonvillear.com; sorman@bentonvillear.com; toverstreet@bentonvillear.com; rsanders@sandprop.com; rwright@bentonvillear.com; ehipp@bentonvillear.com; jhaynie@bentonvillear.com; rbinns@bentonvillear.com; elainekerr@cox.net; ddavis@bentonvillear.com; planning@bentoncountyar.gov; 'Danny Bennett'  
**Subject:** North J Street

Thank you for bringing the proposed plan for north J Street to our attention. I appreciate your willingness to answer questions and hear public feedback at the meeting.

This proposed project poses many problems and concerns. Among my concerns is that wider roads will likely mean higher speeds and more traffic, which will ultimately lead to roads that are less safe for kids, families, and cyclists. This project seems to contradict Bentonville's own investments in creating a cycling community with a focus on non-vehicle traffic.

While I can appreciate and understand the need for future planning of our city, it is as important to assess the impact of current residents and to make plans that safely accommodate all who live here. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents.

I appreciate you considering the best interest of our families.

Have a blessed day!

Thanks,  
Danny

**Danny & Mary Bennett**

[REDACTED]



**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Danny Bennett [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 24, 2022 2:13 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Cc:** trobinson@bentonville.com; gagnew@bentonville.com; cacree@bentonville.com; csooter@bentonville.com; apatterson@bentonville.com; bburckart@bentonville.com; osanchez@bentonville.com; hhook@bentonville.com; sorman@bentonville.com; toverstreet@bentonville.com; rsanders@sandprop.com; rwright@bentonville.com; ehipp@bentonville.com; jhaynie@bentonville.com; rbinns@bentonville.com; elainekerr@cox.net; ddavis@bentonville.com; planning@bentoncountyar.gov; 'Danny Bennett'  
**Subject:** NE J Street Interchange

I am writing in regard to our concerns about the NE J Street Interchange project.

As a resident of the Chapel Hill neighborhood, I strongly oppose the extension project for North J Street.

Please consider another alternative such as:

1. Design McCollum to become a major arterial instead of North J Street.
2. Widen McCollum to 3 lanes and extend it to the new I-49 Interchange instead of North J Street.
3. Extend McCollum to intersect the current J Street bridge and leave North J Street as a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill and Allencroft neighborhoods end. I believe this design should include a roundabout at the intersection of McCollum and North J Street to control traffic speed and direction (north of Allencroft, Hawthorne Heights and Chapel Hill).

I am for progress, however, I am extremely concerned over the safety of children, pets, cyclists and our community with any expansion.

I appreciate you considering the best interest of our families.

Have a blessed day!

Thanks,  
Danny

Danny & Mary Bennett  
[REDACTED]

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 24, 2022 2:26 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Kimberly Griffith

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the proposed north J Street extension project. As mentioned in the meeting on February 17th, a four lane road is too wide given the current layout of north J Street. Garver Engineering Firm conceded this fact during the meeting. With Allencroft, Chapel Hill, and the new Hawthorne Heights development, there is simply not enough space to accommodate four lanes and a center median without encroaching on the properties of residents who live there. The suggestion of potentially taking land from any of the residents who live along this road is outrageous and I hope any plans to move forward with the project will not include this as part of the proposal. I have lived in Chapel Hill since 2012. One reason we purchased in this area is the family friendly environment that we enjoy. Families walking on J Street and riding their bicycles safely. Tiger is already a busy street at times making exiting from Allencroft difficult during high traffic times. This additional traffic will make this even more difficult. I understand the need for roads but I feel this will change this area of the city in a negative way. The extension of McCollum would disrupt less people and make so much more sense to someone who has lived here for the last ten years. Proper development will increase the desire to live in this part of our city. I implore you to further investigate less disrupting development strategies. Should a project of this magnitude be necessary (which I argue it is not), it seems there are less intrusive alternatives to alleviate potential vehicle traffic that should be considered. Ideas proposed at the meeting include: - Extending north McCollum to the interstate instead of J Street. This would accomplish the same thing but be much less intrusive to residential areas. - Leaving north J Street as a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods end. When these ideas were proposed at the meeting there were no answers as to why those couldn't be looked into and/or prioritized. There is currently no data that supports the need to turn J Street into a four lane road. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. Every effort should be made to keep vehicle traffic to a minimum to maintain the safe community the residents who live in this area have enjoyed for many years. Thank you.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 24, 2022 2:36 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Kimberlyn Edmundson

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** This proposed project poses many problems and concerns. Among my concerns is that wider roads will likely mean higher speeds and more traffic, which will ultimately lead to roads that are less safe for kids, families, school buses, and cyclists. This project seems to contradict Bentonville's own investments in creating a cycling community with a focus on non-vehicle traffic and focus on dedicated green spaces. While I understand the need for future planning of our city, it is as important to assess the impact of current residents and to make plans that safely accommodate all who live here and the future types of housing developments that will be built to accommodate those who move here. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. Please consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents and create a future that better aligns with Bentonville's vision. Thank you, Kimberlyn Edmundson

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 24, 2022 2:57 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Kimberlyn Edmundson

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I currently cycle to work from the Chapel Hill neighborhood down J Street. In fact, a large factor in purchasing my home was so that I could safely cycle and/or walk to downtown, Crystal Bridges, Orchards Park, etc. Every effort should be made to look at alternatives to North J street becoming a four-lane road (and there were two proposed solutions at the meeting on February 17th: 1) Extending north McCollum to the interstate instead of J Street. This would accomplish the same thing but be much less intrusive to residential areas. 2) Leaving north J Street as a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods end.) I want to continue to feel safe cycling to work, and I would not be able to do so if J Street became a four-lane road - leading to me driving and contributing to traffic and pollution. I believe there are ways we can meet the traffic needs of our growing city while keeping the North J street area vehicle traffic volume at levels that maintain the safety, air quality, and noise quality that North J street currently offers. Thank you, Kimberlyn Edmundson

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Danny Bennett [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 24, 2022 3:28 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Cc:** trobinson@bentonville.com; gagnew@bentonville.com; cacree@bentonville.com; csooter@bentonville.com; apatterson@bentonville.com; bburckart@bentonville.com; osanchez@bentonville.com; hhook@bentonville.com; sorman@bentonville.com; toverstreet@bentonville.com; rsanders@sandprop.com; rwright@bentonville.com; ehipp@bentonville.com; jhaynie@bentonville.com; rbinns@bentonville.com; elainekerr@cox.net; ddavis@bentonville.com; planning@bentoncountyar.gov; Bob.Bracy@bentoncountyar.gov; Stephen.Torrez@bentoncountyar.gov; Sean.Collyge@bentoncountyar.gov; planningboardmembers@bentoncountyar.gov; Terry.Maienschein@bentoncountyar.gov; Theresa.Neal@bentoncountyar.gov; Bethany.Rosenbaum@bentoncountyar.gov; Rick.Williams@bentoncountyar.gov; 'Danny Bennett'  
**Subject:** NE J Street Extension and Interchange

I would like to voice my opposition to the proposed North J Street extension project.

As mentioned in the meeting on February 17th, a four lane road is too wide given the current layout of North J Street, extensive pedestrian and bicycle use that includes children and families and a major power distribution line on the east side. Garver Engineering Firm conceded this fact during the meeting. With Allencroft, Chapel Hill, and the new Hawthorne Heights development, there is simply not enough space to accommodate four lanes and a center median without encroaching on the properties of residents who live there. I am opposed to North J Street becoming a three lane or four lane road. The suggestion of potentially taking land from any of the residents who live along this road is outrageous and I hope any plans to move forward with the project will not include this as part of the proposal.

My wife and I lived in Allencroft from 2013 to 2021, and made the decision to move to Chapel Hill in 2021. One reason we purchased in this area twice is the family friendly environment we enjoy that includes families and children walking and riding their bicycles safely on North J Street. Tiger is already a busy street making it difficult to enter and exit Allencroft during high traffic times and additional traffic will make it even more difficult. I understand the need for roads to accommodate progress, but I feel very strongly this project will change this area of the city in a negative way. The extension of North McCollum would disrupt less people and makes so much more sense to someone who has lived here for the last eight years. Proper development improves quality of life and will increase the desire to live in our community. I implore you to investigate less disruptive development strategies for this project to accommodate the future growth of our community as a whole.

Should a project of this magnitude be necessary (which I argue it is not), it seems there are less intrusive alternatives to alleviate potential vehicle traffic that should be considered. Ideas proposed at the meeting include:

- Extending North McCollum to the new I-49 interchange instead of North J Street. This would accomplish the same thing but be much less intrusive to residential areas.
- Leaving North J Street as a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods end.

When these ideas were proposed at the meeting there were no answers as to why those couldn't be looked into and/or prioritized. There is currently no data that supports the need to turn J Street into a four lane road.

It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. Every effort should be made to keep vehicle traffic to a minimum to maintain the safe community the residents who live in this area have enjoyed for many years.

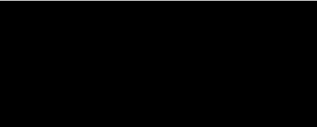
I appreciate you considering the best interest of our families.

Have a blessed day!

Thanks,

Danny

**Danny & Mary Bennett**



**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 24, 2022 3:47 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Lacey Mitchell

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the proposed north J Street extension project. As mentioned in the meeting on February 17th, a four lane road is too wide given the current layout of north J Street. Garver Engineering Firm conceded this fact during the meeting. With Allencroft, Chapel Hill, and the new Hawthorne Heights development, there is simply not enough space to accommodate four lanes and a center median without encroaching on the properties of residents who live there. The suggestion of potentially taking land from any of the residents who live along this road is outrageous and I hope any plans to move forward with the project will not include this as part of the proposal. I have lived in Allencroft since 2013 and moved to Chapel Hill in 2021. One reason we purchased in this area twice is the family friendly environment that we enjoy. Families walking on J Street and riding their bicycles safely. Tiger is already a busy street at times making exiting from Allencroft difficult during high traffic times. This additional traffic will make this even more difficult. I understand the need for roads but I feel this will change this area of the city in a negative way. As I drove on A St. last week I realized it is only two lanes and works fine to connect it to Walton Blvd. Why would we need 4 lanes? The extension of McCollum would disrupt less people and make so much more sense to someone who has lived here for the last eight years. Proper development will increase the desire to live in this part of our city. I implore you to further investigate less disrupting development strategies. Should a project of this magnitude be necessary (which I argue it is not), it seems there are less intrusive alternatives to alleviate potential vehicle traffic that should be considered. Ideas proposed at the meeting include: - Extending north McCollum to the interstate instead of J Street. This would accomplish the same thing but be much less intrusive to residential areas. - Leaving north J Street as a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods end. When these ideas were proposed at the meeting there were no answers as to why those couldn't be looked into and/or prioritized. There is currently no data that supports the need to turn J Street into a four lane road. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. Every effort should be made to keep vehicle traffic to a minimum to maintain the safe community the residents who live in this area have enjoyed for many years.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Marc Babyar [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 24, 2022 4:01 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** NE J Street interchange

I would like to voice my opposition to the proposed north J Street extension project.

As mentioned in the meeting on February 17th, a four lane road is too wide given the current layout of north J Street. Garver Engineering Firm conceded this fact during the meeting. With Allencroft, Chapel Hill, and the new Hawthorne Heights development, there is simply not enough space to accommodate four lanes and a center median without encroaching on the properties of residents who live there. The suggestion of potentially taking land from any of the residents who live along this road is outrageous and I hope any plans to move forward with the project will not include this as part of the proposal.

Should a project of this magnitude be necessary (which I argue it is not), it seems there are less intrusive alternatives to alleviate potential vehicle traffic that should be considered. Ideas proposed at the meeting include:

- Extending north McCollum to the interstate instead of J Street. This would accomplish the same thing but be much less intrusive to residential areas.
- Leaving north J Street as a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods end.

When these ideas were proposed at the meeting there were no answers as to why those couldn't be looked into and/or prioritized. There is currently no data that supports the need to turn J Street into a four lane road.

It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. Every effort should be made to keep vehicle traffic to a minimum to maintain the safe community the residents who live in this area have enjoyed for many years.

Thank you,  
Marc Babyar



**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Mary Bennett [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 24, 2022 4:07 PM  
**To:** trobinson@bentonvillear.com; gagnew@bentonvillear.com; cacree@bentonvillear.com; csooter@bentonvillear.com; apatterson@bentonvillear.com; bburckart@bentonvillear.com; osanchez@bentonvillear.com; hhook@bentonvillear.com; sorman@bentonvillear.com; toverstreet@bentonvillear.com; rsanders@sandprop.com; rwright@bentonvillear.com; ehipp@bentonvillear.com; jhaynie@bentonvillear.com; rbinns@bentonvillear.com; elainekerr@cox.net; ddavis@bentonvillear.com; planning@bentoncountyar.gov; Bob.Bracy@bentoncountyar.gov; Stephen.Torrez@bentoncountyar.gov; Sean.Collyge@bentoncountyar.gov; planningboardmembers@bentoncountyar.gov; Terry.Maienschein@bentoncountyar.gov; Theresa.Neal@bentoncountyar.gov; Bethany.Rosenbaum@bentoncountyar.gov; Rick.Williams@bentoncountyar.gov; Public Involvement  
**Subject:** NE J Street Interchange

I would like to voice my opposition to the proposed north J Street extension project.

As mentioned in the meeting on February 17th, a four lane road is too wide given the current layout of north J Street. Garver Engineering Firm conceded this fact during the meeting. With Allencroft, Chapel Hill, and the new Hawthorne Heights development, there is simply not enough space to accommodate four lanes and a center median without encroaching on the properties of residents who live there. The suggestion of potentially taking land from any of the residents who live along this road is outrageous and I hope any plans to move forward with the project will *not* include this as part of the proposal.

I have lived in Allencroft since 2013 and moved to Chapel Hill in 2021. One reason we purchased in this area twice is the family friendly environment that we enjoy. Families walking on J Street and riding their bicycles safely. Tiger is already a busy street at times making exiting from Allencroft difficult during high traffic times. This additional traffic will make this even more difficult. I understand the need for roads but I feel this will change this area of the city in a negative way. As I drove on A St. last week I realized it is only two lanes and works fine to connect it to Walton Blvd. Why would we need 4 lanes? The extension of McCollum would disrupt less people and make so much more sense to someone who has lived here for the last eight years. Proper development will increase the desire to live in this part of our city. I implore you to further investigate less disrupting development strategies.

Should a project of this magnitude be necessary (which I argue it is not), it seems there are less intrusive alternatives to alleviate potential vehicle traffic that should be considered. Ideas proposed at the meeting include:

- Extending north McCollum to the interstate instead of J Street. This would accomplish the same thing but be much less intrusive to residential areas.
- Leaving north J Street as a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods end.

When these ideas were proposed at the meeting there were no answers as to why those couldn't be looked into and/or prioritized. There is currently no data that supports the need to turn J Street into a four lane road.

It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. Every effort should be made to keep vehicle traffic to a minimum to maintain the safe community the residents who live in this area have enjoyed for many years.

Thank you,  
 Mary Bennett  
 [REDACTED]

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 24, 2022 8:57 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Courtney Finley

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the proposed north J Street extension project. As mentioned in the meeting on February 17th, a four lane road is too wide given the current layout of north J Street. Garver Engineering Firm conceded this fact during the meeting. With Allencroft, Chapel Hill, and the new Hawthorne Heights development, there is simply not enough space to accommodate four lanes and a center median without encroaching on the properties of residents who live there. The suggestion of potentially taking land from any of the residents who live along this road is outrageous and I hope any plans to move forward with the project will not include this as part of the proposal. Should a project of this magnitude be necessary (which I argue it is not), it seems there are less intrusive alternatives to alleviate potential vehicle traffic that should be considered. Ideas proposed at the meeting include: - Extending north McCollum to the interstate instead of J Street. This would accomplish the same thing but be much less intrusive to residential areas. - Leaving north J Street as a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods end. When these ideas were proposed at the meeting there were no answers as to why those couldn't be looked into and/or prioritized. There is currently no data that supports the need to turn J Street into a four lane road. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. Every effort should be made to keep vehicle traffic to a minimum to maintain the safe community the residents who live in this area have enjoyed for many years. Thank you, Courtney Finley

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 24, 2022 9:09 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Amber Lacewell

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the proposed north J Street extension project. As mentioned in the meeting on February 17th, a four lane road is too wide given the current layout of north J Street. Garver Engineering Firm conceded this fact during the meeting. With Allencroft, Chapel Hill, and the new Hawthorne Heights development, there is simply not enough space to accommodate four lanes and a center median without encroaching on the properties of residents who live there. The suggestion of potentially taking land from any of the residents who live along this road is outrageous and I hope any plans to move forward with the project will not include this as part of the proposal. Should a project of this magnitude be necessary (which I would argue it is not), it seems there are less intrusive alternatives to alleviate potential vehicle traffic that should be considered. Ideas proposed at the meeting include: - Extending north McCollum to the interstate instead of J Street. This would accomplish the same thing but be much less intrusive to residential areas. - Leaving north J Street as a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods end. When these ideas were proposed at the meeting there were no answers as to why those couldn't be looked into and/or prioritized. There is currently no data that supports the need to turn J Street into a four lane road, especially considering that none of the roads past the Tiger Blvd. intersection will be widened to accommodate increased traffic. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. Every effort should be made to keep vehicle traffic to a minimum to maintain the safe community the residents who live in this area have enjoyed for many years.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Friday, February 25, 2022 8:04 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Kimberly Griffith

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I am extremely concerned over speeding, bike access, the trail system, and cars cutting through the Chapel Hill and Allencroft neighborhoods. There will be potential for cars to crash into houses

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Lindsay Southwick [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 27, 2022 1:11 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** north J Street extension project

I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. As I have mentioned in previous emails, there are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project.

In addition to the concerns I have already discussed, I would also like to suggest that it seems another interchange at J Street is redundant and unnecessary. The exits at Central Avenue and 8th Street give adequate, more direct access to the future Walmart Home Office as well as the museums and park. There is no need to flow interstate traffic through primarily residential areas, while also disrupting family friendly streets, and making the road less safe for pedestrians and cyclists.

It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents.

Any change to north J Street should be minimal and prioritize the safety of pedestrians and cyclists. Minimal lanes, narrow lanes, ample green space on both sides of the road, and a low speed limit should be a top priority.

Thank you,

Lindsay Southwick  
Chapel Hill Resident

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 27, 2022 1:13 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Lindsay Southwick

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. As I have mentioned in previous emails, there are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project. In addition to the concerns I have already discussed, I would also like to suggest that it seems another interchange at J Street is redundant and unnecessary. The exits at Central Avenue and 8th Street give adequate, more direct access to the future Walmart Home Office as well as the museums and park. There is no need to flow interstate traffic through primarily residential areas, while also disrupting family friendly streets, and making the road less safe for pedestrians and cyclists. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents. Any change to north J Street should be minimal and prioritize the safety of pedestrians and cyclists. Minimal lanes, narrow lanes, ample green space on both sides of the road, and a low speed limit should be a top priority. Thank you, Lindsay Southwick Chapel Hill Resident

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 27, 2022 6:03 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Ashley Fitzsimmons

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I do not agree with the drawing proposed of how much of the property will be taken from houses located on Dysart Woods Lane, located in the Allencroft subdivision. I do not think any property should be taken from anyone for this project. However, if property is taken for this project, it should be taken equally from both the Allencroft and Chapel Hill subdivisions. From the drawing, it currently looks like Allencroft is having property taken from its houses and Chapel Hill is not having any property taken.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 27, 2022 7:41 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Michelle Hoid

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I am 100% opposed to this proposal. Of all the projects that Bentonville needs, this should be the last on the list. Please work on the streets that need it most... widening Moberly, widening 28th street near Sam's Club HO, finish widening 8th street and others. You will be ruining the one part of town that hasn't been messed up from construction, that should remain quiet. Also, this particular area is a safe place for cyclists and runners. You have taken out so many running routes for other projects, don't do this to us. This is not smart growth!



**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Monday, February 28, 2022 8:18 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Kimberly Griffith

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I am extremely concerned over how much of my backyard will be taken to support this project. It's outrageous. Brick to fence measures 23 feet. My family's quality of life and home value will be negatively impacted.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Monday, February 28, 2022 10:45 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Dillon Wiggins

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I think the interchange for NE J Street will be a great impact for the city of Bentonville because it will give the residents of the area of NE J Street a special exit/interchange so they can get easy access to I-49 rather than going to Central Avenue and then take I-49 last.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Leticia Castellanos [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 28, 2022 1:06 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Cc:** Gmail  
**Subject:** NE J Street interchange project

Name: Leticia Castellanos

Address: [REDACTED]

Phone [REDACTED]

[Oppose the plan to widen J Street to 4 lanes between Tiger Blvd and the interstate.](#)

We believe that:

1. Connecting to I-49 will significantly increase traffic. We are concerned for children, pets, entrance and egress to Allencroft, and Chapel Hill, and cut through traffic.
2. Four lane is too wide for the space available. Garver Engineering firm conceded this in the meeting on Thursday, Feb 17th. The taking of our property for the project is outrageous.
3. J Street section north of Tiger boulevard should continue to be 2 lanes, consistent with the recent rebuild J street in front of Crystal Bridges which is two lanes.
4. The proposed expansion of J Street will lead to increased demand on the city's infrastructure and there are no plans to increase capacity for the future utility requirements as a result of this investment.
5. Having a 4 lane will affect neighbors quality of life. Increase speed and traffic will negatively affect bike access, trail system, cutting through the Chapel Hill and Allencroft neighborhoods. There will be potential to crash into houses.
6. There are other alternatives that don't include building a new bridge. Extending McCollum to intersect the current J Street bridge could be sufficient.

Thank you

Leticia Castellanos

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Lindsay Southwick [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 28, 2022 5:50 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** north J Street expansion project

I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. There are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project. The concerns and issues raised thus far - both at the meeting on February 17 and communicated since then - deserve thoughtful consideration before moving forward.

A key question there doesn't seem to be an answer for is what the city is doing to coordinate with the county on sewer, utilities, and wastewater for future growth? The proposed expansion of J Street will lead to increased demand on the city's infrastructure. Does the city have the capacity for the future utility requirements as a result of this investment. If so, what are the details?

Should this project be necessary (which I argue it is not) I would like for J Street to remain a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods.

While I can appreciate and understand the need for future planning of our city, it is as important to assess the impact of current residents and to make plans that safely accommodate all who live here. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents.

Thanks,

Lindsay Southwick  
Chapel Hill Resident

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Monday, February 28, 2022 6:08 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Lindsay Southwick

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. There are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project. The concerns and issues raised thus far - both at the meeting on February 17 and communicated since then - deserve thoughtful consideration before moving forward. A key question there doesn't see to be an answer for is what the city is doing to coordinate with the county on sewer, utilities, and wastewater for future growth? The proposed expansion of J Street will lead to increased demand on the city's infrastructure. Does the city have the capacity for the future utility requirements as a result of this investment. If so, what are the details? Should this project be necessary (which I argue it is not) I would like for J Street to remain a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods. While I can appreciate and understand the need for future planning of our city, it is as important to assess the impact of current residents and to make plans that safely accommodate all who live here. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents. Thanks,  
Lindsay Southwick Chapel Hill Resident

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Monday, February 28, 2022 7:19 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Kimberly Griffith

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. There are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project. The concerns and issues raised thus far - both at the meeting on February 17 and communicated since then - deserve thoughtful consideration before moving forward. A key question there doesn't see to be an answer for is what the city is doing to coordinate with the county on sewer, utilities, and wastewater for future growth? The proposed expansion of J Street will lead to increased demand on the city's infrastructure. Does the city have the capacity for the future utility requirements as a result of this investment. If so, what are the details? Should this project be necessary (which I argue it is not) I would like for J Street to remain a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods. While I can appreciate and understand the need for future planning of our city, it is as important to assess the impact of current residents and to make plans that safely accommodate all who live here. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Jodi Durkin [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 28, 2022 7:20 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** Against J Street Expansion

I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. There are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project. The concerns and issues raised thus far - both at the meeting on February 17 and communicated since then - deserve thoughtful consideration before moving forward.

A key question there doesn't see to be an answer for is what the city is doing to coordinate with the county on sewer, utilities, and wastewater for future growth? The proposed expansion of J Street will lead to increased demand on the city's infrastructure. Does the city have the capacity for the future utility requirements as a result of this investment. If so, what are the details?

Should this project be necessary (which I argue it is not) I would like for J Street to remain a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods.

While I can appreciate and understand the need for future planning of our city, it is as important to assess the impact of current residents and to make plans that safely accommodate all who live here. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents.

Thanks,  
Jodi Durkin

Sent from my iPhone

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Monday, February 28, 2022 7:42 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Jodi Durkin

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Yes, I am against 4 lanes near residential areas where Chapel Hill, Allencroft and new retirement community there all have their J Street entrances. Since the city already spent a lot to make a two lanes and one lane roundabout at the Crystal Bridges entrance areas, please also keep 2 lanes by the residential areas, which also share this space with biking trail head, for safety of these residential and trail users. Thank you.



**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** T.J. Pike [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 1, 2022 6:10 AM  
**To:** trobinson@bentonvillear.com; gagnew@bentonvillear.com; cacree@bentonvillear.com; csooter@bentonvillear.com; apatterson@bentonvillear.com; bburckart@bentonvillear.com; osanchez@bentonvillear.com; hhook@bentonvillear.com; sorman@bentonvillear.com; toverstreet@bentonvillear.com; rsanders@sandprop.com; rwright@bentonvillear.com; ehipp@bentonvillear.com; jhaynie@bentonvillear.com; rbinns@bentonvillear.com; elainekerr@cox.net; ddavis@bentonvillear.com; planning@bentoncountyar.gov; Public Involvement  
**Subject:** NE J Street Interchange

Dear Sirs and Madams,

Thank you for bringing the proposed plan for north J Street to our attention. I appreciate your willingness to answer questions and hear public feedback at the meeting.

This proposed project poses many problems and concerns. Among my concerns is that wider roads will likely mean higher speeds and more traffic, which will ultimately lead to roads that are less safe for kids, families, and cyclists. This project seems to contradict Bentonville's own investments in creating a cycling community with a focus on non-vehicle traffic.

While I can appreciate and understand the need for future planning of our city, it is as important to assess the impact of current residents and to make plans that safely accommodate all who live here. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents.

Thanks,

TJ Pike  
Allencroft Resident

--

T.J. Pike  
[REDACTED]

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Lindsay Southwick [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 1, 2022 11:17 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** north J Street extension project

I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. There are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project.

Of the many concerns is the cost. The projected budget of \$37 million seems excessive given that it builds just over a mile of road, intrudes on a significant amount of wetland area, and is very disruptive to residential areas and bike trails. I would argue there are other ways these funds could be put to better use. Should another interchange even be necessary there are other, more cost effective, and less intrusive ways to accomplish the same thing. Some examples include:

- Extending north McCollum to the interstate instead of J Street. This would accomplish the same thing but be much less intrusive to residential areas.
- Leaving north J Street as a two lane road through residential areas.

While I understand it is necessary to plan for future growth, it seems just as important to make plans that protect green space and preserves the quality of life for the current residents of Bentonville. Planning for increased vehicle traffic that also takes into account residential areas and the safety of families, children, pedestrians, and cyclists deserves your thoughtful consideration.

Thank you,

Lindsay Southwick  
Chapel Hill Resident

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 1, 2022 11:18 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Lindsay Southwick

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. There are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project. Of the many concerns is the cost. The projected budget of \$37 million seems excessive given that it builds just over a mile of road, intrudes on a significant amount of wetland area, and is very disruptive to residential areas and bike trails. I would argue there are other ways these funds could be put to better use. Should another interchange even be necessary there are other, more cost effective, and less intrusive ways to accomplish the same thing. Some examples include: - Extending north McCollum to the interstate instead of J Street. This would accomplish the same thing but be much less intrusive to residential areas. - Leaving north J Street as a two lane road through residential areas. While I understand it is necessary to plan for future growth, it seems just as important to make plans that protect green space and preserves the quality of life for the current residents of Bentonville. Planning for increased vehicle traffic that also takes into account residential areas and the safety of families, children, pedestrians, and cyclists deserves your thoughtful consideration. Thank you, Lindsay Southwick Chapel Hill Resident

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Amy DeMania [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 1, 2022 12:12 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** NE J Interchange

Good Afternoon,

I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. I have many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project.

The proposed interchange at J Street is redundant and unnecessary. The exits at Central Avenue and 8th Street give adequate, more direct access to the future Walmart Home Office as well as the museums and park. There is no need to flow interstate traffic through primarily residential areas, while also disrupting family friendly streets, and making the road less safe for pedestrians and cyclists.

It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents.

Any change to north J Street should be minimal and prioritize the safety of pedestrians and cyclists. Minimal lanes, narrow lanes, ample green space on both sides of the road, and a low speed limit should be a top priority.

Thank you,

Amy DeMania  
Bentonville, AR

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Amy DeMania [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 1, 2022 12:17 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** NE J Street Interchange

Hello,

I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. There are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project. The concerns and issues raised thus far - both at the meeting on February 17 and communicated since then - deserve thoughtful consideration before moving forward.

A key question that doesn't seem to have an answer for is what the city is doing to coordinate with the county on sewer, utilities, and wastewater for future growth? The proposed expansion of J Street will lead to increased demand on the city's infrastructure. Does the city have the capacity for the future utility requirements as a result of this investment. If so, what are the details?

Should this project be necessary (which I argue it is not) I would like for J Street to remain a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods.

While I can appreciate and understand the need for future planning of our city, it is as important to assess the impact of current residents and to make plans that safely accommodate all who live here. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents.

Thanks,  
Amy DeMania  
Bentonville, AR

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Amy DeMania [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 1, 2022 12:21 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** NE J street interchange

Good Afternoon,  
I would like to voice my opposition to the proposed north J Street extension project.

As mentioned in the meeting on February 17th, a four lane road is too wide given the current layout of north J Street. Garver Engineering Firm conceded this fact during the meeting. With Allencroft, Chapel Hill, and the new Hawthorne Heights development, there is simply not enough space to accommodate four lanes and a center median without encroaching on the properties of residents who live there. The suggestion of potentially taking land from any of the residents who live along this road is outrageous and I hope any plans to move forward with the project will *not* include this as part of the proposal.

Should a project of this magnitude be necessary (which I argue it is not), it seems there are less intrusive alternatives to alleviate potential vehicle traffic that should be considered. Ideas proposed at the meeting include:

- Extending north McCollum to the interstate instead of J Street. This would accomplish the same thing but be much less intrusive to residential areas.
- Leaving north J Street as a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods end.

When these ideas were proposed at the meeting there were no answers as to why those couldn't be looked into and/or prioritized. There is currently no data that supports the need to turn J Street into a four lane road.

It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. Every effort should be made to keep vehicle traffic to a minimum to maintain the safe community the residents who live in this area have enjoyed for many years.

Thank you,  
Amy DeMania

--

- Amy DeMania

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Danny Bennett [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 1, 2022 1:33 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Cc:** trobinson@bentonville.com; gagnew@bentonville.com; cacree@bentonville.com; csooter@bentonville.com; apatterson@bentonville.com; bburckart@bentonville.com; osanchez@bentonville.com; hhook@bentonville.com; sorman@bentonville.com; toverstreet@bentonville.com; rsanders@sandprop.com; rwright@bentonville.com; ehipp@bentonville.com; jhaynie@bentonville.com; rbinns@bentonville.com; elainekerr@cox.net; ddavis@bentonville.com; planning@bentoncountyar.gov; Bob.Bracy@bentoncountyar.gov; Stephen.Torrez@bentoncountyar.gov; Sean.Collyge@bentoncountyar.gov; planningboardmembers@bentoncountyar.gov; Terry.Maienschein@bentoncountyar.gov; Theresa.Neal@bentoncountyar.gov; Bethany.Rosenbaum@bentoncountyar.gov; Rick.Williams@bentoncountyar.gov; 'Danny Bennett'  
**Subject:** NE J Street Extension and Interchange

I would like to voice my opposition to the North J Street extension project. As I have mentioned in previous emails, there are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project.

In addition to the concerns I have already discussed, I would also like to suggest that it seems another interchange at J Street is redundant and unnecessary. The exits at Central Avenue and 8th Street give adequate, more direct access to the future Walmart Home Office as well as the museums and park. There is no need to flow interstate traffic through primarily residential areas, while also disrupting family friendly streets, and making the road less safe for pedestrians and cyclists.

It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents.

Any change to North J Street should be minimal and prioritize the safety of pedestrians and cyclists. Minimal lanes, narrow lanes, ample green space on both sides of the road, traffic calming devices such as roundabouts and a low speed limit should be a top priority.

I believe the extension of McCollum to the existing NE J Street overpass across I-49 is much more practical and would be much less expensive to the citizens of Bentonville. This approach would require less new road construction, less infrastructure work, less work at the I-49 interchange since there is an existing overpass and not be disruptive to residential areas since McCollum is already 3 lanes at Central Avenue and the area north of the 3 lane portion is not residential.

I appreciate you considering the best interest of our community and our families.

Have a blessed day!

Thanks,  
Danny

Danny & Mary Bennett  
[REDACTED]

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Danny Bennett [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 1, 2022 1:44 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Cc:** trobinson@bentonvillear.com; gagnew@bentonvillear.com; cacree@bentonvillear.com; csooter@bentonvillear.com; apatterson@bentonvillear.com; bburckart@bentonvillear.com; osanchez@bentonvillear.com; hhook@bentonvillear.com; sorman@bentonvillear.com; toverstreet@bentonvillear.com; rsanders@sandprop.com; rwright@bentonvillear.com; ehipp@bentonvillear.com; jhaynie@bentonvillear.com; rbinns@bentonvillear.com; elainekerr@cox.net; ddavis@bentonvillear.com; planning@bentoncountyar.gov; Bob.Bracy@bentoncountyar.gov; Stephen.Torrez@bentoncountyar.gov; Sean.Collyge@bentoncountyar.gov; planningboardmembers@bentoncountyar.gov; Terry.Maienschein@bentoncountyar.gov; Theresa.Neal@bentoncountyar.gov; Bethany.Rosenbaum@bentoncountyar.gov; Rick.Williams@bentoncountyar.gov; 'Danny Bennett'  
**Subject:** NE J Street Extension and Interchange

Another key question is what the city is doing to coordinate with the county on sewer, utilities, and wastewater for future growth? If the proposed extension of J Street leads to further development north of Chapel Hill, Allencroft and Hawthorne Heights, at the new I-49 interchange or east of I-49, there will be an increased demand on the city's infrastructure. Does the city have the capacity for the future utility requirements as a result of this investment. If so, what are the details and cost impact to our community and the citizens of Bentonville?

Should this project be necessary (which I believe it is not) I would like for J Street to remain a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods with a round-about and any other traffic calming devices necessary to control speed and traffic if the road transitions to more than two lanes north of these existing neighborhoods.

While I can appreciate and understand the need for future planning of our city, it is as important to assess the impact to current residents and to make plans that safely accommodate all who live here. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents.

As mentioned in my previous email, I believe the extension of McCollum to the existing NE J Street overpass across I-49 is much more practical and would be much less expensive to the citizens of Bentonville. This approach would require less new road construction, less infrastructure work, less work at the I-49 interchange since there is an existing overpass and not be disruptive to residential areas since McCollum is already 3 lanes at Central Avenue and the area north of the 3 lane portion is not residential.

I appreciate you considering the best interest of our community and our families.

Have a blessed day!

Thanks,  
Danny

Danny & Mary Bennett  
[REDACTED]



**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Danny Bennett <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 1, 2022 2:20 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Cc:** trobinson@bentonvillear.com; gagnew@bentonvillear.com; cacree@bentonvillear.com; csooter@bentonvillear.com; apatterson@bentonvillear.com; bburckart@bentonvillear.com; osanchez@bentonvillear.com; hhook@bentonvillear.com; sorman@bentonvillear.com; toverstreet@bentonvillear.com; rsanders@sandprop.com; rwright@bentonvillear.com; ehipp@bentonvillear.com; jhaynie@bentonvillear.com; rbinns@bentonvillear.com; elainekerr@cox.net; ddavis@bentonvillear.com; planning@bentoncountyar.gov; Bob.Bracy@bentoncountyar.gov; Stephen.Torrez@bentoncountyar.gov; Sean.Collyge@bentoncountyar.gov; planningboardmembers@bentoncountyar.gov; Terry.Maienschein@bentoncountyar.gov; Theresa.Neal@bentoncountyar.gov; Bethany.Rosenbaum@bentoncountyar.gov; Rick.Williams@bentoncountyar.gov; 'Danny Bennett'  
**Subject:** NE J Street Extension and Interchange

Another concern that was just brought to my attention is the potential cost of the project. The projected budget of \$37 million may not be sufficient considering the cost of road construction, existing topography which creates the need for a new bridge, construction of a new I-49 interchange, any infrastructure work necessary to accommodate the proposed project, and will be very disruptive to residential areas and access to bike trails. I believe there are other ways these funds could be put to better use.

I was also not aware of the intrusion on a significant amount of wetland area, which is a major concern for any project or development. I'm sure the engineer is familiar with the time and cost necessary to obtain approval and comply with the appropriate regulatory agencies in this regard.

Should another interchange become necessary at some point in the future, I believe the city should consider other, more cost effective, and less intrusive ways to accomplish the same thing.

Some examples include:

- I have addressed this option in more detail in my previous emails, but believe extending McCollum to the existing interstate overpass instead of extending J Street would accomplish the same objectives and be much less expensive and much less intrusive to residential areas.
- I have also addressed leaving North J Street as a two lane road through residential areas in my previous emails, along with the need for round-abouts and other traffic calming measures to control speed and traffic.

While I understand it is necessary to plan for future growth, it seems just as important to make plans that protect green space and preserves the quality of life for the current residents of Bentonville. Planning for increased vehicle traffic that also takes into account residential areas and the safety of families, children, pedestrians, and cyclists deserves your thoughtful consideration.

I am not in favor of the North J Street extension project, and appreciate you considering the best interest of our community and our families.

Have a blessed day!

Thanks,  
 Danny

Danny & Mary Bennett  
 [REDACTED]

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Kimberlyn Edmundson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 1, 2022 4:57 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** NE J Street interchange

Hello,

I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. There are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project.

Of the many concerns is the cost. The projected budget of \$37 million seems excessive given that it builds just over a mile of road, intrudes on a significant amount of wetland area, and is very disruptive to residential areas and access to bike trails. I would argue there are other ways these funds could be put to better use. Should another interchange even be necessary there are other, more cost effective, and less intrusive ways to accomplish the same thing. Some examples include:

- Extending north McCollum to the interstate instead of J Street. This would accomplish the same thing but be much less intrusive to residential areas.
- Leaving north J Street as a two lane road through residential areas.

While I understand it is necessary to plan for future growth, it seems just as important to make plans that protect green space and preserves the quality of life for the current residents of Bentonville. Planning for increased vehicle traffic that also takes into account residential areas and the safety of families, children, pedestrians, and cyclists deserves your thoughtful consideration.

Thank you,

Kimberlyn Edmundson  
Resident

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 1, 2022 7:44 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Kimberly Griffith

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I am outraged that any of my property would be taken. I understand rights of way were given by Allencroft and Chapel Hill to support an expansion on N J Street when they were designed. It's obvious that City Planning has failed and no one has bothered to do any drawing reviews, or field measurements on the proposed requirements and how they may impact existing owners with houses that back up to J Street. The center of J Street to my back fence is 42 feet, 6 inches. Brick to my backyard fence is 23 feet, 6 inches. In order to meet the 95 feet design requirements that Garver provided, we will lose five feet of our back yard, with the same impact for Allencroft. The setback in the front would be more than the back. This is unacceptable. I understand the need for progress due to growth however, I am extremely opposed to the taking of my property to support it.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 1, 2022 9:15 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Anita Powell

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** PLEASE do not ruin the peace of our neighborhood!

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Kimberlyn Edmundson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 2, 2022 8:03 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** NE J Street interchange

Hello,

I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. There are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project. The concerns and issues raised thus far - both at the meeting on February 17 and communicated since then - deserve thoughtful consideration before moving forward.

A key question there doesn't see to be an answer for is what the city is doing to coordinate with the county on sewer, utilities, and wastewater for future growth? The proposed expansion of J Street will lead to increased demand on the city's infrastructure. Does the city have the capacity for the future utility requirements as a result of this investment. If so, what are the details?

Should this project be necessary (which I argue it is not) I would like for J Street to remain a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods.

While I can appreciate and understand the need for future planning of our city, it is as important to assess the impact of current residents and to make plans that safely accommodate all who live here. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents.

Thanks,

Kimberlyn Edmundson  
Resident

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Lindsay Southwick [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 23, 2022 10:12 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** north J Street interchange proposal

Thank you for bringing the proposed plan for north J Street to our attention. I appreciate your willingness to answer questions and hear public feedback at the meeting.

This proposed project poses many problems and concerns. Among my concerns is that wider roads will likely mean higher speeds and more traffic, which will ultimately lead to roads that are less safe for kids, families, and cyclists. This project seems to contradict Bentonville's own investments in creating a cycling community with a focus on non-vehicle traffic.

While I can appreciate and understand the need for future planning of our city, it is as important to assess the impact of current residents and to make plans that safely accommodate all who live here. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents.

Thanks,

Lindsay Southwick  
Chapel Hill Resident

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Jerene Cross [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 24, 2022 11:10 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** NE J Street Interchange

Hello,

My husband and I have lived in Bentonville for 34 years and are so grateful to have reared our 3 children here. Thank you for bringing the proposed plan for north J Street to our attention. I appreciate your willingness to answer questions and hear public feedback at the meeting, which we attended virtually.

This proposed project concerns me for the safety of kids, families, and cyclists. Wider roads mean higher speeds and more traffic. Please consider making the interchange road leading to our city center only two lanes wide, with a turning lane or a median, like the rest of J street.

While planning for the future of our city, let's create plans for growth that are safe for our current residents, and that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. Please consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents.

Thank you for your consideration,

Jerene Cross  
Chapel Hill Resident

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Jim/Jerene Cross [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 24, 2022 12:07 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** NE J St. Interchange

From: J. Cross.  
1629 NE Rock St.  
Bentonville AR 72712

I've lived in Bentonville for 34 years. My Chapel Hill subdivision backs up to J street. While I am for progress, I'm concerned for the safety of children, pets, cyclists and sidewalk pedestrians for our community.

Please consider an alternative to the current proposal- 1) extend McCollum to intersect with the current J Street bridge and leave north J street as a 2 lane road with a turning lane or median. 2) scale down your current proposal and keep J St. the same width as it is south of the 4 way stop- 2 lanes with a turning lane or median.

Thank you,  
J. Cross



**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Kimberlyn Edmundson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 24, 2022 2:42 PM  
**Cc:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** NE J Street interchange

Dear Those Concerned,

Thank you for bringing the proposed plan for north J Street to my attention. I appreciate your willingness to answer questions and hear public feedback at the meeting.

This proposed project poses many problems and concerns. Among my concerns is that wider roads will likely mean higher speeds and more traffic, which will ultimately lead to roads that are less safe for kids, families, and cyclists. This project seems to contradict Bentonville's own investments in creating a cycling community with a focus on non-vehicle traffic and green space.

While I understand the need for future planning of our city, it is as important to assess the impact of current residents and to make plans that safely accommodate all who live here. I also want to ensure that future residents have the same ability to find a safe, pedestrian- and cycle-friendly community. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. I hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents.

Thank you,

Kimberlyn Edmundson  
Concerned Resident  
[REDACTED]

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Kimberlyn Edmundson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 25, 2022 8:07 AM  
**Cc:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** NE J Street interchange Feedback

Hello,

As someone who currently cycles down J street for my commute, I would like to voice my opposition to the proposed north J Street extension project.

As mentioned in the meeting on February 17th, a four lane road is too wide given the current layout of north J Street. Garver Engineering Firm conceded this fact during the meeting. With Allencroft, Chapel Hill, and the new Hawthorne Heights development, there is simply not enough space to accommodate four lanes and a center median without encroaching on the properties of residents who live there. The suggestion of potentially taking land from any of the residents who live along this road is outrageous and I hope any plans to move forward with the project will not include this as part of the proposal.

Should a project of this magnitude be necessary (which I argue it is not), it seems there are less intrusive alternatives to alleviate potential vehicle traffic that should be considered. Ideas proposed at the meeting include:

- Extending north McCollum to the interstate instead of J Street. This would accomplish the same thing but be much less intrusive to residential areas.
- Leaving north J Street as a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods end.

When these ideas were proposed at the meeting there were no answers as to why those couldn't be looked into and/or prioritized. There is currently no data that supports the need to turn J Street into a four lane road.

It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. I want to continue to feel safe cycling to work, and I would not be able to do so if J Street became a four-lane road. A large factor the purchasing my home in the Chapel Hill neighborhood was so that I could safely cycle and/or walk to work, downtown, Crystal Bridges, Orchards Park, etc. Every effort should be made to keep vehicle traffic to a minimum to maintain the safety, air quality, and noise quality that North J street currently offers.

Thank you for your consideration

Kimberlyn Edmundson  
Resident

[REDACTED]

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 2, 2022 10:26 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Jim and Vickie Chalker

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** We have a problem with the widening of J street. We don't know how they can widen the street to 4 lanes without seriously infringing on the Chapel Hill neighborhood. We have seen this in other places we have lived and have seen property values plummet as a result. This doesn't even take into consideration the noise, pollution and potential traffic hazards. Another question is what happens at the J street and Tiger intersection. How are they planning to handle the volume of traffic? Traffic light, round-about, etc? Also, will J street be widened all the way to Central?

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 2, 2022 11:46 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Dan Hein

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I am owner of Keystone Properties of Bentonville LLC. The proposed J street Extension in Bentonville, shows a bridge going over the top of one on of our commercial buildings located at 3500 NE A street in Bentonville. . It also blocks visibility and access to one of out Billboards. We are very concerned and would like further information as you move forward with this project. Sincerely,  
Dan Hein

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 2, 2022 7:21 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Amber Lacewell

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. As I have mentioned in previous comments, there are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project. In addition to the concerns I have already discussed, I would also like to suggest that it seems another interchange at J Street is redundant and unnecessary. The exits at Central Avenue and 8th Street give adequate, more direct access to the future Walmart Home Office as well as the museums and park. There is no need to flow interstate traffic through primarily residential areas, while also disrupting family friendly streets, and making the road less safe for pedestrians and cyclists. I am also concerned about the cost. The projected budget of \$37 million seems excessive given that it builds just over a mile of road, intrudes on a significant amount of wetland area, and is very disruptive to residential areas and access to bike trails. I would argue there are other ways these funds could be put to better use. Should another interchange even be necessary there are other, more cost effective, and less intrusive ways to accomplish the same thing. Some examples include: Extending north McCollum to the interstate instead of J Street. This would accomplish the same thing but be much less intrusive to residential areas. Leaving north J Street as a two lane road through residential areas. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents. Any change to north J Street should be minimal and prioritize the safety of pedestrians and cyclists. Minimal lanes, narrow lanes, ample green space on both sides of the road, and a low speed limit should be a top priority. While I understand it is necessary to plan for future growth, it seems just as important to make plans that protect green space and preserve the quality of life for the current residents of Bentonville. Planning for increased vehicle traffic that also takes into account residential areas and the safety of families, children, pedestrians, and cyclists deserves your thoughtful consideration.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 2, 2022 7:24 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Amber Lacewell

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. There are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project. The concerns and issues raised thus far - both at the meeting on February 17 and communicated since then - deserve thoughtful consideration before moving forward. A key question there doesn't see to be an answer for is what the city is doing to coordinate with the county on sewer, utilities, and wastewater for future growth? The proposed expansion of J Street will lead to increased demand on the city's infrastructure. Does the city have the capacity for the future utility requirements as a result of this investment. If so, what are the details? Should this project be necessary (which I argue it is not) I would like for J Street to remain a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods. This accomplishes the same goals with somewhat less of an impact to current residents. While I can appreciate and understand the need for future planning of our city, it is just as important to assess the impact of current residents and to make plans that safely accommodate all who live here. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 2, 2022 7:25 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** kirk.lacewell@yahoo.com

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. There are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project. The concerns and issues raised thus far - both at the meeting on February 17 and communicated since then - deserve thoughtful consideration before moving forward. A key question there doesn't see to be an answer for is what the city is doing to coordinate with the county on sewer, utilities, and wastewater for future growth? The proposed expansion of J Street will lead to increased demand on the city's infrastructure. Does the city have the capacity for the future utility requirements as a result of this investment. If so, what are the details? Should this project be necessary (which I argue it is not) I would like for J Street to remain a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods. This accomplishes the same goals with somewhat less of an impact to current residents. While I can appreciate and understand the need for future planning of our city, it is just as important to assess the impact of current residents and to make plans that safely accommodate all who live here. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 2, 2022 7:25 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Kirk Lacewell

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. As I have mentioned in previous emails, there are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project. In addition to the concerns I have already discussed, I would also like to suggest that it seems another interchange at J Street is redundant and unnecessary. The exits at Central Avenue and 8th Street give adequate, more direct access to the future Walmart Home Office as well as the museums and park. There is no need to flow interstate traffic through primarily residential areas, while also disrupting family friendly streets, and making the road less safe for pedestrians and cyclists. I am also concerned about the cost. The projected budget of \$37 million seems excessive given that it builds just over a mile of road, intrudes on a significant amount of wetland area, and is very disruptive to residential areas and access to bike trails. I would argue there are other ways these funds could be put to better use. Should another interchange even be necessary there are other, more cost effective, and less intrusive ways to accomplish the same thing. Some examples include: Extending north McCollum to the interstate instead of J Street. This would accomplish the same thing but be much less intrusive to residential areas. Leaving north J Street as a two lane road through residential areas. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents. Any change to north J Street should be minimal and prioritize the safety of pedestrians and cyclists. Minimal lanes, narrow lanes, ample green space on both sides of the road, and a low speed limit should be a top priority. While I understand it is necessary to plan for future growth, it seems just as important to make plans that protect green space and preserve the quality of life for the current residents of Bentonville. Planning for increased vehicle traffic that also takes into account residential areas and the safety of families, children, pedestrians, and cyclists deserves your thoughtful consideration.



**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 2, 2022 7:33 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Kimberly Griffith

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. Of the many concerns is that of available space. According to the proposal, the four lane road needs 95 feet of space. That space simply doesn't exist without encroaching on the property of homeowners. The suggestion of potentially taking land from any of the residents who live along this road is outrageous and I hope any plans to move forward with the project will not include this as part of the proposal. This project seems to contradict Bentonville's own investments in creating a community with a focus on non-vehicle traffic. I encourage you to focus on the safety of those who will be most affected by this road - residents, pedestrians, and cyclists. Every effort should be made to keep the road to two lanes with a 30 mph speed limit.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 2, 2022 7:41 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Dan & Jo Fone

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I believe that the proposed 4-lane arterial road is unnecessarily high impact; I believe that the natural flow of traffic at the junction with Tiger Blvd will result in standing/slow-moving traffic which will have a detrimental affect on air quality in the area. If drivers know that this junction is a single lane they will naturally take other routes thereby minimizing impact on the immediate, residential area. The level of disturbance caused by construction traffic and activities in terms of noise, dust, vibration, etc. during the construction of the arterial road would also have detrimental impact on the immediate, residential area for an extended period of time. I believe that these contraction works, albeit of a transitory nature, will have a materially detrimental affect on the usual rights of residents in the immediate, residential area to reasonable enjoyment of their properties, viz: inability to use external areas during construction, requirement to incur cost for regular window and house cleaning due to dust, concern in relation to house construction damage caused by traffic and construction activity vibrations, noise from vehicle and plant engines/motors and construction activities, stress caused by the above, etc. We have a junction less than 2 miles along the I-49 which I believe could be upgraded to similar affect at a significantly lower cost both in terms of damage and impact on local areas given that the surrounding land is largely commercial in this area. For the above reasons and in the interests of public protection, prevention of short-term and permanent environmental impact and irrevocable damage to the local residential amenity we are strongly opposed to these proposals.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 2, 2022 7:44 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Kirk Lacewell

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Thank you for bringing the proposed plan for north J Street to our attention. I appreciate your willingness to answer questions and hear public feedback at the meeting. This proposed project poses many problems and concerns. Among my concerns is that wider roads will likely mean higher speeds and more traffic, which will ultimately lead to roads that are less safe for kids, families, and cyclists. This project seems to contradict Bentonville's own investments in creating a cycling community with a focus on non-vehicle traffic. We chose to purchase a home in this area because we have children and were looking for a home with a quiet neighborhood and peaceful outdoor space that was pedestrian-friendly. Since we have moved, we have learned been privileged to spend great time with our neighbors and enjoy the beautiful outdoors of NWA, right in our backyard. The amount of wildlife including birds and deer that we get to enjoy is incredible. We have small children and enjoy spending a lot of time outside in and around our neighborhood. However, considering how much traffic these plans will bring directly behind our home, I am very concerned about the effects on our quality of life. Our backyard is already very small, but the giant trees and distance between our fence and the street--along with the fact that J street is not a busy road in this part of town--help to minimize any issues with noise. While I can appreciate and understand the need for future planning of our city, it is as important to assess the impact of current residents and to make plans that safely accommodate all who live here. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 2, 2022 7:45 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Kirk Lacewell

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the proposed north J Street extension project. As mentioned in the meeting on February 17th, a four lane road is too wide given the current layout of north J Street. Garver Engineering Firm conceded this fact during the meeting. With Allencroft, Chapel Hill, and the new Hawthorne Heights development, there is simply not enough space to accommodate four lanes and a center median without encroaching on the properties of residents who live there. The suggestion of potentially taking land from any of the residents who live along this road is outrageous and I hope any plans to move forward with the project will not include this as part of the proposal. Should a project of this magnitude be necessary (which I argue it is not), it seems there are less intrusive alternatives to alleviate potential vehicle traffic that should be considered. Ideas proposed at the meeting include: - Extending north McCollum to the interstate instead of J Street. This would accomplish the same thing but be much less intrusive to residential areas. - Leaving north J Street as a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods end. When these ideas were proposed at the meeting there were no answers as to why those couldn't be looked into and/or prioritized. There is currently no data that supports the need to turn J Street into a four lane road. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. Every effort should be made to keep vehicle traffic to a minimum to maintain the safe community the residents who live in this area have enjoyed for many years.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:37 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Kristen Walnofer

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** There is no point is making NE J Street a 4 lane road unless the roundabout in front of Amazeum is widened. Our neighborhood road, Chapel Hill Dr, needs speed bumps and signage so that it doesn't become a cut thru during and after construction.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Lindsay Southwick [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 1:31 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** J Street expansion project

I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. There are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project.

Of the many questions is that of who this road would serve and if a full four-lane road is necessary. Throughout the city, there are no four lane roads going through primarily residential areas. Central Avenue seems to be what divides the primarily residential section of J Street from the commercial section. Commuters coming into Bentonville have adequate, more direct access to the future Walmart Home Office and other businesses by using the exits at Central Avenue and 8th Street. Keeping J Street north of Central Avenue to minimal lanes with low speed limits would better serve the community and those who reside in this area.

While I understand it is necessary to plan for future growth, it seems just as important to make plans that protect green space and that preserves the quality of life for the current residents of Bentonville. Planning for increased vehicle traffic that also takes into account residential areas and the safety of families, children, pedestrians, and cyclists deserves your thoughtful consideration.

Thank you,

Lindsay Southwick  
Chapel Hill resident

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 1:33 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Lindsay Southwick

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. There are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project. Of the many questions is that of who this road would serve and if a full four-lane road is necessary. Throughout the city, there are no four lane roads going through primarily residential areas. Central Avenue seems to be what divides the primarily residential section of J Street from the commercial section. Commuters coming into Bentonville have adequate, more direct access to the future Walmart Home Office and other businesses by using the exits at Central Avenue and 8th Street. Keeping J Street north of Central Avenue to minimal lanes with low speed limits would better serve the community and those who reside in this area. While I understand it is necessary to plan for future growth, it seems just as important to make plans that protect green space and that preserves the quality of life for the current residents of Bentonville. Planning for increased vehicle traffic that also takes into account residential areas and the safety of families, children, pedestrians, and cyclists deserves your thoughtful consideration. Thank you, Lindsay Southwick Chapel Hill resident

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Danny Bennett [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 2:00 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Cc:** trobinson@bentonville.com; gagnew@bentonville.com; cacree@bentonville.com; csooter@bentonville.com; apatterson@bentonville.com; bburckart@bentonville.com; osanchez@bentonville.com; hhook@bentonville.com; sorman@bentonville.com; toverstreet@bentonville.com; rsanders@sandprop.com; rwright@bentonville.com; ehipp@bentonville.com; jhaynie@bentonville.com; rbinns@bentonville.com; elainekerr@cox.net; ddavis@bentonville.com; planning@bentoncountyar.gov; Bob.Bracy@bentoncountyar.gov; Stephen.Torrez@bentoncountyar.gov; Sean.Collyge@bentoncountyar.gov; planningboardmembers@bentoncountyar.gov; Terry.Maienschein@bentoncountyar.gov; Theresa.Neal@bentoncountyar.gov; Bethany.Rosenbaum@bentoncountyar.gov; Rick.Williams@bentoncountyar.gov; 'Danny Bennett'  
**Subject:** NE J Street Extension and Interchange

I would like to voice my opposition to the North J Street extension project. There are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project.

Of the many questions is that of who this road would serve and whether a full four-lane road is necessary. Throughout the city, there are no four lane roads going through primarily residential areas. Central Avenue seems to be what divides the primarily residential section of J Street from the commercial section. Commuters coming into Bentonville have adequate, more direct access to the future Walmart Home Office and other businesses by using the exits at Central Avenue and 8th Street. Keeping J Street north of Central Avenue to minimal lanes with low speed limits would better serve the community and those who reside in this area.

While I understand it is necessary to plan for future growth, it seems just as important to make plans that protect green space and that preserves the quality of life for the current residents of Bentonville. Planning for increased vehicle traffic that also takes into account residential areas and the safety of families, children, pedestrians, and cyclists deserves your thoughtful consideration.

I understand the North J Street extension project is shown on the master street plan, but that is NOT a reason to proceed with this project as currently shown in the conceptual plan. There are better, more cost effective and environmentally responsible alternatives that are mentioned in my previous emails, and appreciate you considering the best interest of our community and our families.

Have a blessed day!

Thanks,  
Danny

Danny & Mary Bennett  
[REDACTED]



**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Dan DeMania [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 3:31 PM  
**Subject:** NE J Street interchange

I would like to voice my opposition to the North J Street extension project. There are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project and why a 4 lane road is necessary including:

- Throughout the city of Bentonville, there are no four lane roads going through primarily residential areas
- Commuters coming into Bentonville have adequate, more direct access to the future Walmart Home Office and other businesses by using the exits at Central Avenue and 8th Street.
- Keeping J Street north of Central Avenue to minimal lanes with low speed limits would better serve the community and those who reside in this area.

While I understand it is necessary to plan for future growth, it seems just as important to make plans that protect green space and that preserves the quality of life for the current residents of Bentonville. Planning for increased vehicle traffic that also takes into account residential areas and the safety of families, children, pedestrians, and cyclists deserves your thoughtful consideration.

Thank you,  
Dan DeMania

[REDACTED]

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 7:39 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Helen Lampkin

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** We have been property owners in the Chapel Hill subdivision since 2005. Most of the progress in our area we have welcomed, but not an expansion of J into four lanes. The City has not clearly stated why they think this is necessary and causes us to think that the City has lost sight of being a family friendly community. Would this expansion be in the best interest of all? We think not. Chapel Hill subdivision currently is considered a premium neighborhood in Bentonville. There are uncertainties as how this would affect property values. An expansion of J into four lanes would definitely bring additional noise, traffic, and loss of safe sidewalks for families that daily use the J sidewalks. Chapel Hill Drive would become a cut through path bringing safety concerns to Chapel Hill families walking to and from the Club House located on Chapel Hill Drive. The City has previously denied our POA request to make Chapel Hill a gated community. Some say that the City is doing this to provide a J street access from I 49. Central Avenue provides access and has already been widened from I 49 through to J. Even if an additional I 49/J access were constructed, it still does not need to have four lanes going through our existing quiet neighborhood. Please reconsider this proposal to make J four lanes and restore our faith that the City of Bentonville does care about community. Thank you.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:13 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Kimberly Griffith

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. There are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project. Of the many questions is that of who this road would serve and whether a full four-lane road is necessary. Throughout the city, there are no four lane roads going through primarily residential areas. Central Avenue seems to be what divides the primarily residential section of J Street from the commercial section. Commuters coming into Bentonville have adequate, more direct access to the future Walmart Home Office and other businesses by using the exits at Central Avenue and 8th Street. Keeping J Street north of Central Avenue to minimal lanes with low speed limits would better serve the community and those who reside in this area. While I understand it is necessary to plan for future growth, it seems just as important to make plans that protect green space and that preserves the quality of life for the current residents of Bentonville. Planning for increased vehicle traffic that also takes into account residential areas and the safety of families, children, pedestrians, and cyclists deserves your thoughtful consideration.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:24 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Rodrigo Salas

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** Dear Sirs and Madams, Thank you for bringing the proposed plan for north J Street to our attention. I appreciate your willingness to answer questions and hear public feedback at the meeting. This proposed project poses many problems and concerns. Among my concerns is that wider roads will likely mean higher speeds and more traffic, which will ultimately lead to roads that are less safe for kids, families, and cyclists. This project seems to contradict Bentonville's own investments in creating a cycling community with a focus on non-vehicle traffic. While I can appreciate and understand the need for future planning of our city, it is as important to assess the impact of current residents and to make plans that safely accommodate all who live here. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents. Yours sincerely, Rodrigo Salas

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Rodrigo Salas [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:27 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** NE J Street interchange

Dear Sirs and Madams,

I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. There are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project. The concerns and issues raised thus far - both at the meeting on February 17 and communicated since then - deserve thoughtful consideration before moving forward.

A key question there doesn't seem to be an answer for is what the city is doing to coordinate with the county on sewer, utilities, and wastewater for future growth? The proposed expansion of J Street will lead to increased demand on the city's infrastructure. Does the city have the capacity for the future utility requirements as a result of this investment. If so, what are the details?

Should this project be necessary (which I argue it is not) I would like for J Street to remain a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods.

While I can appreciate and understand the need for future planning of our city, it is as important to assess the impact of current residents and to make plans that safely accommodate all who live here. It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. It is my hope that you will consider alternative ways to alleviate future traffic stress that would be less intrusive on current residents.

Sincerely,  
Rodrigo Salas

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 9:00 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Amber Lacewell

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. Of the many concerns is that of available space. According to the proposal, the four lane road needs 95 feet of space. That space simply doesn't exist without encroaching on the property of homeowners. The suggestion of potentially taking land from any of the residents who live along this road is outrageous and I hope any plans to move forward with the project will not include this as part of the proposal. This project seems to contradict Bentonville's own investments in creating a community with a focus on non-vehicle traffic. I encourage you to focus on the safety of those who will be most affected by this road - residents, pedestrians, and cyclists. Every effort should be made to keep the road to two lanes with a 30 mph speed limit.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 9:00 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Kirk Lacewell

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. Of the many concerns is that of available space. According to the proposal, the four lane road needs 95 feet of space. That space simply doesn't exist without encroaching on the property of homeowners. The suggestion of potentially taking land from any of the residents who live along this road is outrageous and I hope any plans to move forward with the project will not include this as part of the proposal. This project seems to contradict Bentonville's own investments in creating a community with a focus on non-vehicle traffic. I encourage you to focus on the safety of those who will be most affected by this road - residents, pedestrians, and cyclists. Every effort should be made to keep the road to two lanes with a 30 mph speed limit.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 11:14 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Laura Meyer  
**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED].2  
**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]  
**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I wanted to let you know that while I understand the need to improve north J street I am very concerned and opposed to the widening of the street to the proposed 5 lane format. There are a few reasons for my concerns. First, I am a property owner and my back yard backs up to J street. It appears that the widening crosses over my property line and would take significant land from what is already a small yard. Second, the more lanes there are the faster people will drive and the greater risk for increased traffic accidents. This poses a danger to all the houses in Allencroft that are close to the road and have no barriers that would protect against a car or truck veering off the road from an accident. Third, it would create an intersection at Tiger and J street that would be difficult to navigate, and therefore more dangerous, as the other roads are either two or three lanes. Fourth, the increased noise level from adding a significant number of cars along J street. Finally I do understand that a northern intersection may be needed, but I feel a three lane road that matches the width of J Street from Tiger to Central would be more reasonable and would be more than adequate for handling traffic. Thank you for listening.



**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 11:32 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Allen Barton  
**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED] 712  
**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]  
**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. There are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project. Of the many questions is that of who this road would serve and whether a full four-lane road is necessary. Throughout the city, there are no four lane roads going through primarily residential areas. Central Avenue seems to be what divides the primarily residential section of J Street from the commercial section. Commuters coming into Bentonville have adequate, more direct access to the future Walmart Home Office and other businesses by using the exits at Central Avenue and 8th Street. Keeping J Street north of Central Avenue to minimal lanes with low speed limits would better serve the community and those who reside in this area. While I understand it is necessary to plan for future growth, it seems just as important to make plans that protect green space and that preserves the quality of life for the current residents of Bentonville. Planning for increased vehicle traffic that also takes into account residential areas and the safety of families, children, pedestrians, and cyclists deserves your thoughtful consideration. Thank you, Allen Barton

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Dina [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, March 4, 2022 7:32 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** NE J Street Interchange

I would like to voice my opposition to the proposed north J Street extension project.

As mentioned in the meeting on February 17th, a four lane road is too wide given the current layout of north J Street. Garver Engineering Firm conceded this fact during the meeting. With Allencroft, Chapel Hill, and the new Hawthorne Heights development, there is simply not enough space to accommodate four lanes and a center median without encroaching on the properties of residents who live there. The suggestion of potentially taking land from any of the residents who live along this road is outrageous and I hope any plans to move forward with the project will *not* include this as part of the proposal.

Should a project of this magnitude be necessary (which I argue it is not), it seems there are less intrusive alternatives to alleviate potential vehicle traffic that should be considered. Ideas proposed at the meeting include:

- Extending north McCollum to the interstate instead of J Street. This would accomplish the same thing but be much less intrusive to residential areas.
- Leaving north J Street as a two lane road until after the Chapel Hill, Allencroft, and Hawthorne Heights neighborhoods end.

When these ideas were proposed at the meeting there were no answers as to why those couldn't be looked into and/or prioritized. There is currently no data that supports the need to turn J Street into a four lane road.

It is in the city's best interest to create plans for growth that prioritize pedestrians and cyclists over vehicles. Every effort should be made to keep vehicle traffic to a minimum to maintain the safe community the residents who live in this area have enjoyed for many years.

Thank you,

Dina Graham

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Friday, March 4, 2022 9:18 AM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Craig Trudo

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** To further protect the neighborhoods from sound pollution, please consider banning heavy goods vehicles; ensure only passenger vehicle traffic (no buses either) can use the road. Please also consider installing a roundabout at the J St entrance to Chapel Hill. This would help calm traffic, eliminate difficult left turns to leave, and provide safer/protected crossing for bikes/pedestrians—especially for those interested in accessing the “Milk Run” trailhead.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Friday, March 4, 2022 1:23 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Jim Chalker

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. There are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project. Of the many questions is that of who this road would serve and whether a full four-lane road is necessary. Throughout the city, there are no four lane roads going through primarily residential areas. Central Avenue seems to be what divides the primarily residential section of J Street from the commercial section. Commuters coming into Bentonville have adequate, more direct access to the future Walmart Home Office and other businesses by using the exits at Central Avenue and 8th Street. Keeping J Street north of Central Avenue to minimal lanes with low speed limits would better serve the community and those who reside in this area. While I understand it is necessary to plan for future growth, it seems just as important to make plans that protect green space and that preserves the quality of life for the current residents of Bentonville. Planning for increased vehicle traffic that also takes into account residential areas and the safety of families, children, pedestrians, and cyclists deserves your thoughtful consideration. Thank you, Jim Chalker

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Friday, March 4, 2022 1:24 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Vickie Chalker

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. There are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project. Of the many questions is that of who this road would serve and whether a full four-lane road is necessary. Throughout the city, there are no four lane roads going through primarily residential areas. Central Avenue seems to be what divides the primarily residential section of J Street from the commercial section. Commuters coming into Bentonville have adequate, more direct access to the future Walmart Home Office and other businesses by using the exits at Central Avenue and 8th Street. Keeping J Street north of Central Avenue to minimal lanes with low speed limits would better serve the community and those who reside in this area. While I understand it is necessary to plan for future growth, it seems just as important to make plans that protect green space and that preserves the quality of life for the current residents of Bentonville. Planning for increased vehicle traffic that also takes into account residential areas and the safety of families, children, pedestrians, and cyclists deserves your thoughtful consideration. Thank you, Vickie Chalker

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Friday, March 4, 2022 2:14 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Barry Griffith

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** With the City upgrading their road standards, the wider road with larger sidewalks with more green space, the proposed road will not fit within the area just north of Tiger and J intersection. The plots from the subdivision show the set-back requirements for a total of 80'. The proposed design of 95' will cause unnecessary financial issues for the City. All the high voltage power lines will need to be moved a substantial distance. Resulting in rerouting in a significant portion of the electrical power feeders to the homes in both subdivisions. All of the communications, fiber optics, natural gas distributions, and storm water drains will need to be relocated increase the project burden for the tax payer. If this was on your 20 year plan, why did the planning department and the city utility allow or install this? The current paved section of J street is 30 feet wide. This is sufficient for a two-lane road with a turn lane in the middle. Assuming you do not move the utilities on the east side of J. A minimum of 10' will need to be taken from the green space on the west side. This will put the road at the end of all the homeowner's fences and in some cases inside the fence. At that point the City is violating their own setback requirements for the back of the foundations. A standard road is 12' wide. Narrowing the lanes to 10' will not necessary reduce speed or improve safety. There numerous case studies where municipalities are going on a road diet (four lanes to three). These case studies all demonstrate improved traffic flow and safety. Genesee County preformed seven reductions from 4 lanes to 3 with a significant safety improvement. These saw a 58% reduction in head-on left turn crash types with an overall reduction on 32% for general accidents. However, the plan proposed by Garver Engineering with create a rolling stop with a high acceleration region in a residential district. The argument for using J Street as a major norther artery for getting traffic from the new home office is flawed. The plan clearly shows no four-lane plant for J Street between Tiger and Central. Traffic will flow out of the new home office for a northerly route and be forced to single file in-front of Crystal Bridge and the park. The construction of a 4-lane north of Tiger will create a speed situation. Traffic will move closer to 50 mph vs the current 35-40 now on Tiger. Assuming the city doubles in size in the next 10 year the road development plan does not take into account all the additional requirements to develop the land to the north. If the area to the north cannot be development than due to utility infrastructure needs, why spend the \$37 million. Lower the scope of the project and use the existing J street bridge over the freeway. Access to I-49 could be added for a significate price savings. As the vast majority of the growth will go west, please justify why building a 4- lane road to the airport would not be a better us of taxpayer funds. During the spring and summer, there are several weekend sporting events that use J street, Tiger and McCollum. What are the plans for relocating these events and what is the impact on the City should they stop as a result of this project.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Friday, March 4, 2022 3:56 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Kirk Lacewell

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. There are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project. Of the many questions is that of who this road would serve and whether a full four-lane road is necessary. Throughout the city, there are no four lane roads going through primarily residential areas. Central Avenue seems to be what divides the primarily residential section of J Street from the commercial section. Commuters coming into Bentonville have adequate, more direct access to the future Walmart Home Office and other businesses by using the exits at Central Avenue and 8th Street. Keeping J Street north of Central Avenue to minimal lanes with low speed limits would better serve the community and those who reside in this area. It seems foolish to run what would surely become a major thoroughfare through neighborhoods. On top of that, it would only benefit those who are driving through, not those who live in this area. It is already easy enough for anyone in our vicinity to access the interstate via Central or the brand new N. Walton interchange and these two interchanges connect on primary, commercial roads that don't run between neighborhoods. I've heard that this is going to be the "North Crystal Bridges Entrance". While I can appreciate an additional access point for CB would be useful (even though the facility already has 2), planning for this should have been considered before developing the neighborhoods along NE J Street. It appears that those of us who chose to build and buy in this area are being forced to pay the price for the lack of planning a mere decade ago. I'm also concerned about the safety impacts that would come as a result of having direct access to the interstate literally in my backyard. Our neighborhood regularly experiences overnight car break-ins and each time we have a string of them, the responding officers share that it is likely someone from out of town or out of state who hits our neighborhood out of convenience-- it's easy to hop back on the interstate and completely leave the area before police ever respond to the scene. To my knowledge, none of the thieves who have "visited" our neighborhood over the past 4 years we have lived here have ever been apprehended. This includes when my mother-in-law's vehicle was broken into while she visited from out of town. I can only imagine how much more commonplace this will become with an exit less than a mile from my home. While I understand it is necessary to plan for future growth, it seems just as important to make plans that protect green space and that preserves the quality of life for the current residents of Bentonville. Planning for increased vehicle traffic that also takes into account residential areas and the safety of families, children, pedestrians, and cyclists deserves your thoughtful consideration.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Friday, March 4, 2022 3:57 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Amber Lacewell

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I would like to voice my opposition to the north J Street extension project. There are many concerns and unanswered questions regarding this project. Of the many questions is that of who this road would serve and whether a full four-lane road is necessary. Throughout the city, there are no four lane roads going through primarily residential areas. Central Avenue seems to be what divides the primarily residential section of J Street from the commercial section. Commuters coming into Bentonville have adequate, more direct access to the future Walmart Home Office and other businesses by using the exits at Central Avenue and 8th Street. Keeping J Street north of Central Avenue to minimal lanes with low speed limits would better serve the community and those who reside in this area. It seems foolish to run what would surely become a major thoroughfare through neighborhoods. On top of that, it would only benefit those who are driving through, not those who live in this area. It is already easy enough for anyone in our vicinity to access the interstate via Central or the brand new N. Walton interchange and these two interchanges connect on primary, commercial roads that don't run between neighborhoods. I've heard that this is going to be the "North Crystal Bridges Entrance". While I can appreciate an additional access point for CB would be useful (even though the facility already has 2), planning for this should have been considered before developing the neighborhoods along NE J Street. It appears that those of us who chose to build and buy in this area are being forced to pay the price for the lack of planning a mere decade ago. I'm also concerned about the safety impacts that would come as a result of having direct access to the interstate literally in my backyard. Our neighborhood regularly experiences overnight car break-ins and each time we have a string of them, the responding officers share that it is likely someone from out of town or out of state who hits our neighborhood out of convenience-- it's easy to hop back on the interstate and completely leave the area before police ever respond to the scene. To my knowledge, none of the thieves who have "visited" our neighborhood over the past 4 years we have lived here have ever been apprehended. This includes when my mother-in-law's vehicle was broken into while she visited from out of town. I can only imagine how much more commonplace this will become with an exit less than a mile from my home. While I understand it is necessary to plan for future growth, it seems just as important to make plans that protect green space and that preserves the quality of life for the current residents of Bentonville. Planning for increased vehicle traffic that also takes into account residential areas and the safety of families, children, pedestrians, and cyclists deserves your thoughtful consideration.



**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Friday, March 4, 2022 7:19 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Kimberly Griffith

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** The current paved section of J street is 30 feet wide. This is sufficient for a two-lane road with a turn lane in the middle. I am opposed to a 4 lane road behind Chapel Hill.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** PublicInvolvement@garverusa.com  
**Sent:** Friday, March 4, 2022 11:25 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.

**A comment for the NE J Street Interchange project has been submitted.**

**Name:** Jason Hoffman

**Address, City, State, Zip Code:** [REDACTED]

**Phone Number:** [REDACTED]

**Email Address:** [REDACTED]

**Do you have any comments on the proposed NE J Street Interchange project?:** I oppose the plan as shared during the public meeting on several grounds. My yard backs up to J street and I am fearful that the increased traffic, people and pollution will negatively impact families in the areas. The lack of any planned sewage or drainage systems means more runoff into private property. There are other options that have been evaluated to extend other roads that would impact less people and should be reconsidered as the extensions for the Hwy. Im also concerned the value of our homes will be diminished. Leaving me feeling Bentonville, my home for 7 years, may not be my home for long. I, along with many neighbors, may be looking for other places to raise our families.

**Hetzel, Jon, D**

---

**From:** Phillip Sand Hansel II [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 7:22 PM  
**To:** Public Involvement  
**Subject:** J Street

Kind folks;

I see the comment period is expired, but still feel compelled to share our concern.

We live at 2714 NE J Street and so will have to drive through the construction of the new interchange for a year or two and, in the end, we will still live on a dirt street.

On several earlier drafts, our portion, NE J, was shown as paved; now it's not. The public may be interested in why that decision was made. Someone mentioned the watershed, but that watershed is also the sewer pipe right-of-way too. A real bridge across Shoemaker Creek would probably be an improvement to creek flow.

Lastly, as you know, traffic on NE J has increased many fold with the opening of the bike trails. Every car or truck with a bike rack on back that drives by kicks up a fine cloud of dust that infiltrates our house. Our dirt road used to be quiet, now traffic has tripled and so has our dust. It is a lane-and-a-half road with a steep ditch that now has more cars and bicycles to boot. Maybe if you put up bicycle signs, the road will seem wider.

Sorry to ramble on, I was dismayed to understand millions would be spent on J Street, and yet our part would remain a red rock road.

If you could enter my concern in the record, I'd appreciate it. If not, I understand I should have commented earlier.

Truly,  
Mr. Phillip Sand Hansel II

Sent from Mr. Phillip's iPhone

# Public Meeting Outreach Plan

## Public Meeting

### Bentonville J Street Interchange Virtual Public Meeting

Sunday, February 13 – Friday, March 4

Virtual Meeting Outreach		
Date	Before/After Live Event	Method
Thurs., Feb. 3	-14 days	Display ad sent to La Prensa for <b>Feb. 10 &amp; Feb. 17 publications</b>
Mon., Feb. 7	-10 days	ARDOT/City of Bentonville Logistics Meeting   Pre-Website launch material run through
		Garver to send calendar invite to public officials on behalf of city
Tues., Feb. 8	-9 days	Garver to send letters to public officials to notify of website launch
		Garver to mail postcards to property owners / community
		Display ad sent to NWA Democrat Gazette for <b>Feb. 13 &amp; Feb. 20 publications</b>
Thurs., Feb. 10	-7 days	Display ad #1 published by La Prensa
Fri., Feb. 11	-6 days	Soft Launch of websites (Spanish & English)
		Garver to send emails to public officials notifying VPM launch
		City of Bentonville publishes news release
Sun., Feb. 13	-4 days	Display ad #1 NWA Democrat Gazette publishes
		Virtual Meeting is officially live for viewing
Mon., Feb. 14	-3 days	Bentonville Logistics Meeting   Pre-Live Event run through
		Social Media Posts - Round #1
Thurs., Feb. 17	0 days	<b>Local Officials Meeting (virtual) (3:30-4:30)</b>
		<b>Online Public Live Event (virtual) (5:30-6:30)</b>
		Social Media Posts – Round #2
		Display ad #2 La Prensa publishes
Sun., Feb. 20	+3 days	Display ad #2 NWA Democrat Gazette publishes
Wed., Mar. 2	+13 days	Social Media Posts – Round #3
Fri., Mar. 4	+15 days	Comment Period Ends



# NE J STREET INTERCHANGE “LIVE” ONLINE VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING

The city of Bentonville, Arkansas will conduct a *virtual* Public Involvement Meeting to present and solicit feedback on the NE J Street Interchange project, which proposes to construct a new interchange on Interstate 49 and extend NE J Street northward from Tiger Boulevard across I-49 for approximately 1.1 miles. This will require construction of two bridges, one across Shewmaker Creek and one across I-49. The proposed NE J Street is classified as an arterial boulevard on the City Master Street Plan consisting of four lanes with a raised center median and pedestrian/bicycle facilities.

*Live Event (online):* Thursday, February 17, 2022, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m  
*Comment Period:* Sunday, February 13 through Friday, March 4, 2022  
**Where:** [NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanroom.com](https://TransportationPlanroom.com)

Anyone with limited internet access or has general questions or comments regarding the project or public meeting may call (501) 823-0730 to request a phone conversation.

Anyone needing special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is encouraged to write to Lindi Miller, 4701 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR 72118, call (501) 823-0730, or email [PublicInvolvement@GarverUSA.com](mailto:PublicInvolvement@GarverUSA.com). Hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Arkansas Relay System at (Voice/TTY 711). Requests should be made at least four days prior to the public meeting end date.



Scan QR Code to visit the project website.



Tuesday, February 8, 2022

NAME  
ORGANIZATION  
ADDRESS  
CITY, STATE ZIP

**SUBJECT: Notice of Virtual Public Officials Meeting – February 17, 2022 at 3:30p**  
**Notice of LIVE Virtual Public Meeting – February 17, 2022 at 5:30p**  
NE J Street Interchange  
Bentonville, Arkansas

Greetings:

The City of Bentonville, Arkansas, in coordination with the Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT), a will conduct a live online **Virtual Public Officials Meeting on Thursday, February 17, 2022 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.** to discuss the proposed construction of a new interchange on Interstate 49 and extending NE J Street northward from Tiger Boulevard across I-49 for approximately 1.1 miles. We have sent you a meeting invitation through email to the Virtual Public Officials Meeting, which includes conference log-in instructions.

The project would require construction of two bridges, with one bridge to be built across Shewmaker Creek and one bridge to be built across I-49. The proposed NE J Street is classified as an arterial boulevard on the City Master Street Plan consisting of four lanes with a raised center median and pedestrian/bicycle facilities.

Project information will be available online from February 13 through March 4, 2022 and comments will be accepted until Friday, March 4, 2022. To access the online public meeting, please visit the [NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanroom.com](http://NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanroom.com) website. It will take you to the online public meeting website where project materials can be accessed.

Following the Virtual Public Officials Meeting, a **live online virtual public meeting event will be held from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. on the same day.** Project staff will give a brief presentation regarding the project. The public is invited to listen, view meeting materials, and participate by asking questions and making comments.

There will not be a scheduled in-person public meeting for this project due to concerns related to COVID-19. This online meeting is for interested citizens to view displays and provide written comments about the proposed project. You are invited and encouraged to visit the online meeting and offer your comments concerning the project. Any publicity you might give this meeting will be appreciated.

If you have any questions, please email [dweese@bentonvillear.com](mailto:dweese@bentonvillear.com)

Dan Weese, P.E.  
City Engineer  
City of Bentonville  
479-254-2024  
3200 SW Municipal Drive  
Bentonville, Arkansas 72712



Wednesday, February 9, 2022

**SUBJECT: Notice of LIVE Virtual Public Meeting – February 17, 2022 at 5:30p**  
NE J Street Interchange  
Bentonville, Arkansas

Greetings:

The City of Bentonville, Arkansas, in coordination with the Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT), will conduct a live online **Virtual Public Meeting on Thursday, February 17, 2022 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.** to discuss the proposed construction of a new interchange on Interstate 49 and extending NE J Street northward from Tiger Boulevard across I-49 for approximately 1.1 miles. Project staff will give a brief presentation regarding the project. The public is invited to listen, view meeting materials, and participate by asking questions and making comments.

The project would require construction of two bridges, with one bridge to be built across Shewmaker Creek and one bridge to be built across I-49. The proposed NE J Street is classified as an arterial boulevard on the City Master Street Plan consisting of four lanes with a raised center median and pedestrian/bicycle facilities.

Project information will be available online from February 13 through March 4, 2022 and comments will be accepted until Friday, March 4, 2022. To access the online public meeting, please visit the [NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanroom.com](http://NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanroom.com) website. It will take you to the online public meeting website where project materials can be accessed.

There will not be a scheduled in-person public meeting for this project due to concerns related to COVID-19. This online meeting is for interested citizens to view displays and provide written comments about the proposed project. You are invited and encouraged to visit the online meeting and offer your comments concerning the project.

If you have any questions, please email [dweese@bentonvillear.com](mailto:dweese@bentonvillear.com)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Dan R. Weese'.

Dan Weese, PE  
City Engineer  
City of Bentonville  
479-254-2024  
3200 SW Municipal Drive  
Bentonville, Arkansas 72712



4701 Northshore Drive  
North Little Rock, AR 72118

TEL 501.376.3633  
FAX 501.372.8042

[www.GarverUSA.com](http://www.GarverUSA.com)

Tuesday, February 8, 2022

Northwest Arkansas Democrat Gazette  
Retail – Display Advertising  
PO Box 1607  
Fayetteville, AR 72702  
Attn: Cathy Wiles  
Email: [cwiles@nwadg.com](mailto:cwiles@nwadg.com)

Re: Display Ad – Notice of Virtual Public Meeting

Greetings:

Please publish the enclosed “**Notice of Virtual Public Meeting**” on the following dates:

Sunday, February 13, 2022  
Sunday, February 20, 2022

**Send one copy of the proof of publication with invoice for payment to:**

Garver  
**Attn: Lindi Miller – 21T21070**  
4701 Northshore Drive  
North Little Rock, AR 72118  
Email: [LKMiller@garverusa.com](mailto:LKMiller@garverusa.com)

If you have questions regarding the written announcement or need additional information, please contact me at 501-823-0758 or [LKMiller@GarverUSA.com](mailto:LKMiller@GarverUSA.com).

Sincerely,  
GARVER

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Lindi Miller'.

Lindi Miller  
Communications Specialist

Enclosure



# NOTICE OF ONLINE VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING



**WHAT:** Online Virtual Public Involvement Meeting to discuss the proposed construction of a new interchange on Interstate 49 and extending NE J Street northward from Tiger Boulevard across I-49 for approximately 1.1 miles in Bentonville, Arkansas.

**WHEN:** *Live Virtual Event:*  
Thursday, February 17, 2022  
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.  
*Comment Period:* February 13, 2022  
through March 4, 2022

**WHERE:** Link to Virtual Meeting:  
[NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanroom.com](http://NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanroom.com)

\*\*\*\*\*

Sponsor: The City of Bentonville, Arkansas

The public is invited and encouraged to visit [NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanRoom.com](http://NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanRoom.com) anytime during the scheduled dates to view meeting exhibits and offer comments about the study.

Special communication or accommodation needs under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) may contact Lindi Miller, 4701 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR 72118, call 501-823-0730, or email [PublicInvolvement@GarverUSA.com](mailto:PublicInvolvement@GarverUSA.com). The hearing or speech impaired, may contact the Arkansas Relay System at (Voice/TTY 711). Requests should be made at least 4 days prior to the public meeting.

### Quilts and chili



Sam "Hoggy" Baumgartner shows groups in Searlesville how to assemble the U.S. Armed Forces that are repurposed as a quilt because as a fundraiser for Rogers American Legion Post 1011, 715 W. Pershing in Fayette, Baumgartner at the quilt supper held on Saturday could purchase chances to win the quilt. Baumgartner is a member of the American Legion Riders motorcycle club and a member of Post 100. He has made a quilt as a fundraiser for the post for 15 years. He also makes tags for historical notes and tags for other fundraisers. Right photo: America's Quilt (left) and her son, Jake, who is a member of the post. Photo: Mike Smith. Go to [newsline.com](http://newsline.com) 2022/02/20 to see more photos. (MVA Democrat-Gazette/Fip Fulbright)



### Funds

Continued from Page 1B

Saki Highers, justice of the peace for District 1, said she's disappointed in the decisions made by the Quorum Court and by the lack of a program for making those decisions. She said she's looking for a program for any of the alternatives identified in a study done for the county two years ago as an example. "I do think that by a lot of ways this has been the best all along," Highers said. "I'm very disappointed. We spent \$40,000 on the criminal justice assessment, and we're June 1st to nothing with that. I'm also concerned that this is not really a cost-effective expense. They think they've found a loophole where they can call it and not use this money."

County Judge Joseph Wood said after Thursday's Quorum Court meeting the county will seek an outside opinion to determine whether the jail project is an approved one under federal guidelines.

April Bechard is executive director of the Magdalene Society Home in Fayetteville, which provides services for women who have been incarcerated to help them break the cycle of arrest and incarceration. Bechard said the organization is about four years old and has room for up to eight women in its primary two-year residential program.

She has been attending Quorum Court and contacting meetings for nearly a year presenting information about the organization. Bechard said she's also disappointed the county has never set up a program for organization the way to be across the federal relief money. She said she isn't going to give up.

"I'm going to remain hopeful that there will be somebody out there to support nonprofits in Washington County's justice system," Bechard said. "I am having a hard time understanding why this county spent \$600,000 on a study of the criminal justice

### American Rescue Plan

The American Rescue Plan provides \$10 billion in federal money for eligible state, local, territory and tribal governments to offset the impact of the past 18 months, according to information from the House's Department of Justice. The county received about \$200,000 of that money to be used in January after it was not spent in 2021. The money from the 2021 American Rescue Plan budget also included \$200,000 for design work on a program expansion of the jail and \$250,000 for design work on a possible expansion of the Justice Center. Another \$200,000 was appropriated for new electrical billboards for the Washington County Election Commission. The justice of the peace also approved about \$250,000 for attending and new facilities for the County Assessor's Office.

The justices of the peace also appropriated about \$15 million from the American Rescue Plan fund's 2022 budget to tax. That total includes about \$5.5 million in buy-back contracts for building apparatus and equipment for rural fire associations. It includes an expansion of the Livestock MVA job program, about \$3.5 million for new ambulances and equipment for Central Emergency Medical Services, \$50,000 to continue a contract with Remedy Home to help men with parole violations avoid re-arrest, and about \$4.5 million in premium pay for county employees.

The Quorum Court has also approved an ordinance transferring \$9 million of the county's \$24 million in 2022 federal American Rescue Plan money to a special Reimbursement Fund. County attorney Brian Lester said federal guidelines allow the county to move up to \$10 million of the county's \$24 million in 2022 American Relief Plan money into a Reimbursement Fund.

Lester said the Reimbursement Fund is subject to fewer restrictions on how the money is used. The Quorum Court directed Thursday county government was a first priority for the American Rescue Plan money, with suggestions for how the money is to be applied to the county for any money remaining. A third party will be hired by the county to develop an application process and review any outside requests for money.

Another ordinance approved Thursday authorizes an administrative position to work with Wood to oversee the spending of the federal money to ensure the county complies with U.S. Treasury guidelines. The administrative position has an annual salary of \$50,000 and overall would cost the county up to \$7,000 with the money coming from the American Rescue Plan funds.

Lester said the Reimbursement Fund is subject to fewer restrictions on how the money is used.

The Quorum Court directed Thursday county government was a first priority for the American Rescue Plan money, with suggestions for how the money is to be applied to the county for any money remaining. A third party will be hired by the county to develop an application process and review any outside requests for money.

Another ordinance approved Thursday authorizes an administrative position to work with Wood to oversee the spending of the federal money to ensure the county complies with U.S. Treasury guidelines. The administrative position has an annual salary of \$50,000 and overall would cost the county up to \$7,000 with the money coming from the American Rescue Plan funds.

County attorney Brian Lester said federal guidelines allow the county to move up to \$10 million of the county's \$24 million in 2022 American Relief Plan money into a Reimbursement Fund.

Lester said the Reimbursement Fund is subject to fewer restrictions on how the money is used.

### Filing

Continued from Page 1B

the U.S. Department of Justice as a plaintiff.

"But there are just simply some areas of the state that are growing so rapidly that Democrats will be competitive to matter how they show the race," Watson said. "I think we're going to fight very hard until Election Day to protect all of our incumbents, and I think our incumbents have a record of fighting for families in their districts that will speak for themselves."

Butler said national issues that affect Arkansas will likely be a part of Republican candidates' campaigns and that many candidates have chosen to run for office in response to Biden's presidency. "We do think that the revenue policies of the Democrats are the impetus behind a lot of Republicans wanting to get involved," she said. "They see the societal policies that the Democrats are offering and pushing, and they want to fight back and step up for our country and restore it to the traditional values."

She added that education, better-paying jobs, fiscal responsibility, opposing abortion and defending law enforcement also will be at the forefront.

Fahner said the high number of their primary challenges shows that Republicans are the party that represents Arkansas.

"I think it says that we are a strong party, that we can support primaries, and we're not just politicians, we're good."

because the people get to select the members that best reflect their policies, their principles," she said.

Watson said Democrats are focused on "issues that will improve the lives of Arkansians" and that the recent budget priorities of Republicans are at odds with what Arkansians want, including infrastructure improvements, broadband and better teacher pay.

He said that as the state has changed over the past decade, Democrats have struggled to recruit candidates in areas that voted heavily for former President Donald Trump where they don't see a pathway to getting elected, though he said he is encouraged that there are people across the state who don't care about those margins and are interested in serving their communities.

Neither party candidates will appear before the primary, which is set for May 24. The nonpartisan judicial elections take place the same day, and the general election is Nov. 6.

Libertarian and independent candidates also begin filing at the state Capitol on Tuesday, though the process differs slightly. Independent candidates must file notices of candidacy and affidavits of eligibility with the secretary of state's office, Arkansas secretary of state Jeffrey Bevel said.

As a "new political party" that gained ballot access by petition, the Libertarian Party selected nominees over the weekend before the filing period begins Tuesday.

### Campaign filing at state Capitol

Democratic filing begins Tuesday at the Arkansas state Capitol. The previous filing place in the second-floor rotunda and modern filing forms with the political parties and the secretary of state's office. Candidates can also receive informational materials from the state Board of Election Commissioners and the Ethics Commission and take their photo taken.



### NOTICE OF ONLINE VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING



**WHAT:** Online Virtual Public Involvement Meeting to discuss the proposed construction of a new multi-unit on Interstate 49 and extending N. 7 Street northward from Tiger Boulevard across I-49 for approximately 1.1 miles in Bentonville, Arkansas.

**WHERE:** Live Hybrid Event: Thursday, February 17, 2022 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Onstream Portal: February 15, 2022 through March 4, 2022

**WHERE:** Link to Virtual Meeting: <https://www.bentonville.gov/development/transportation>

The public is invited and encouraged to visit the public site to view existing conditions and offer comments about the site.

Special consideration or accommodations should be made for attendees with disabilities. For more information, contact the Transportation Department at 479-255-2211, or email [PublicInvolvement@CityOfBentonville.com](mailto:PublicInvolvement@CityOfBentonville.com). The meeting is open to all interested parties. The meeting is open to all interested parties. The meeting is open to all interested parties.

**IT'S NOT THAT IMPORTANT! DON'T TEXT AND DRIVE**

### Beauty in numbers



Katrina DeHaven (above photo), left, a University of Arkansas undergraduate student from Conway, and Anushka Ban, an undergraduate student from Bates, sit next to a 3D printer. They are working on a 3D printer to create a series of gear-like structures in the Anne H. Kistler Art Gallery at the Arkansas Center for the University Center in Fayetteville. University Programs plans to make the main models for students to print in the Computer Science Center during the coming week. (Left photo: DeHaven; right photo: Ban.)



### Trails

Continued from Page 1B

According to Eli Giesmann, media and marketing consultant for the company, much of the design work, such as decisions on where the trail will be placed, are made beforehand, he said.



Back Solid Trail Construction workers Dean Russell (left) and Cason Vance pose rocks along a trail entry Thursday at Lake Matoka in Rogers. Rogers awarded a grant to update the trail around Lake Matoka. Check out more on [www.ark.com/2022/01/26/back-solid-trail-construction/](http://www.ark.com/2022/01/26/back-solid-trail-construction/)

A good amount of design work is also done on site, said Erik Nelson, build team foreman. The company lays a flag line, but builders can move the trail up to 20 feet on a river side of the line based on the terrain, he said.

The team often collaborates on design decisions, he said. Builders also try to be sensitive to the environment and as much as possible, Nelson said. Avoiding tree root systems is especially important, he said.

"It's like how can you do the least work, and accomplish even the best way for the site, but the best way for the ground itself — the terrain, the trees — even finding some sort of animal nest in the right spot will make us go a different way," he said.

Cycling is a healthy and fun activity that builds community and is accessible to most people, McCurdy said. The focus on cycling is one of the most significant trends happening in Northwest Arkansas, and it's making the area a destination, he said.

The company uses much excavation, or little backhoes, but much of the trail is built with hand tools such as picks to make as little impact as possible, Giesmann said.

"Lake Matoka is one of the prettiest spots in Northwest Arkansas, and I want to bring people in," he said by email at [james@jamesnw99.com](mailto:james@jamesnw99.com)

Those crews, including nine of 12 employees, are working on the Lake Matoka project, he said. In the areas that are being rehabilitated, builders are working to make water drain better and remove dirt when necessary, he said. New features are fun elements people can play on, such as jumps, drops and technical areas on the trail, he said.

While it's gratifying to see the trails they have built, it's even better to see other people enjoying them, Nelson said. He especially likes to see YouTube videos of people having fun on trails he has worked on, he said.

Rogers doesn't have a lot of space to build mountain bike trails, so the city is aiming for quality over quantity, McCurdy said.

Back Solid Trail Construction was chosen by a selection committee that worked

### Trash

Continued from Page 1B

procedures residents must follow. The rest of the year, updated technology on the trucks has limited how much trash is collected and where bins must be placed, Whortley said.

Residents said they received notice of the new requirements, either by mail or by text.

Wynna Morgan, the city's director of administration and finance, said the city's contract with Waste Management calls for the company to pick up no more than 10 residents' trash.

The contract set a limit of four approved containers no bigger than 32 gallons. But it also reads, "When the resident finds it necessary to dispose of additional household waste, trash, rubbish or garbage, all such waste shall be emptied at no additional cost to the resident provided the waste is placed in a disposable container."

Morgan pointed out plastic garbage bags and cardboard boxes are disposable. The contract dates to January 1996 when the city was operating with Sun City Outlets and Charles McKinney was mayor. The city renewed the contract several times to extend the dates. The current contract is set to expire in November 2023.

Sun City was merged with Waste Management as a firm, Whortley said. Customers can call the company's customer service or drop off at a location or drop-off.

Colby Ficker, the city's chief of staff, said the city is working with Waste Management on the type of trucks it uses, which also requires a change for the residents.

"We're trying to make a transition," he said. "We're trying to get Springdale to come along with us."

He explained the new trucks run on compressed natural gas, not diesel. The trucks also use an automated arm to pick up the carts and empty the contents. The automated arm claws the carts from the sides to pick them up. The arm must have space between other bins, much more so than other kinds of trash carts, Morgan said.

The new trucks also require just one man to make collections. Picking up trash outside the bins would require the driver to exit the truck, Whortley said.

"Our goal is to be as green as we can be," he said. "Overall, it's much better for us and the city. We don't have these old diesel trucks cluttering around your neighborhood."

All Springdale customers receive a \$2-gallon can when service begins. The can is designed to hold seven bags of trash a week, typical for a family of five to seven people, according to the company website.

Residents that generate more trash would need to buy more cans, Whortley said.

Waste Management is allowed to increase rates according to the consumer price index. The last increase was in December 2020, Morgan said.

Springdale residents pay \$9.31 a month for weekly curbside pickup of both trash and recycling. Residents pay each month through their bills with Springdale Water Utilities. Morgan said residents pay a \$50.72 base price, \$2.56 for curbside recycling and \$0 cents to the water utility for billing.

Waste Management is allowed to increase rates according to the consumer price index. The last increase was in December 2020, Morgan said.

Springdale provides its own residential and commercial trash services with weekly, curbside removal of trash, recycling and yard waste, reported Lisa Thurber, director of community and marketing at the city.

The city uses a "Pay As You Throw" program. Residents have options of those cars, with costs determined by size, she said.

The address of each household can have four additional bags in excess of what fits in their cart at no cost per year, she said. A pricing fee of \$7.20 is applied.

Rogers has contracted with Waste Solutions for weekly curbside collection of trash and recycling. Rate service costs \$10.25 a month, said Kevin Gardner, Otton's Northwest Arkansas general manager. Items must be placed in a cart, with cans collected during holidays and closures because of weather.

Customers also get bulky waste collection a year and annual leaf collection in the fall, such as regular appointment-based, and collection of Christmas trees.

The company alerts residents of service changes on its website and the city website and contacts the media.

Gardner noted IES acquired Otton in November, and Rogers' trash collection company will transition to the new name this year.

Laurenza Joenet can be reached by email at [joenet@nw99.com](mailto:joenet@nw99.com) or on Twitter @NW99media.

City of Springdale Community Development Block Grant Program. Continued Notice Finding of No Significant Impact and Request Release of Funds.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS. On or about February 9, 2022, the City of Springdale will submit a request to the Department of Housing & Urban Development for the release of Community Development Block Grant Funds.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT. The City of Springdale has determined the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required.

PUBLIC COMMENTS. Any individual, group, or agency, desiring with the determination or wishing to comment on the project, may submit written comments to the City of Springdale, Community Development Block Grant Program, 201 Spring Street, Springdale, Arkansas 72764, by February 25, 2022.

RELEASE OF FUNDS. The City of Springdale certifies to the Department of Housing & Urban Development, Little Rock, Arkansas that the project meets the requirements of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS. The Department of Housing & Urban Development, Little Rock, Arkansas field office will consider objections to its release of funds and the City of Springdale's certification received by February 13, 2022, for a period of 180 days from the receipt of the request for release of funds.

CONNECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS. The Department of Housing & Urban Development, Little Rock, Arkansas field office will consider objections to its release of funds and the City of Springdale's certification received by February 13, 2022, for a period of 180 days from the receipt of the request for release of funds.

CONTACT INFORMATION. For more information, contact the City of Springdale, Community Development Block Grant Program, 201 Spring Street, Springdale, Arkansas 72764, by February 25, 2022.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT THE CITY OF SPRINGDALE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM, 201 SPRING STREET, SPRINGDALE, ARKANSAS 72764, BY FEBRUARY 25, 2022.

### NOTICE OF ONLINE VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING



WHAT: Online Virtual Public Meeting. Meeting to discuss the proposed development of a new intercity entertainment and gaming facility located at the intersection of I-49 and I-76 for approximately 1.3 miles in Bentonville, Arkansas.

WHEN: Live Virtual Event. Thursday, February 17, 2022. 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm. Community Preview, February 15, 2022 through March 4, 2022.

WHERE: Link to Virtual Meeting: <https://www.bentonville.com/development>

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT THE CITY OF BENTONVILLE, ARKANSAS. The public meeting will be held at the Bentonville Convention Center, 1000 West Main Street, Bentonville, Arkansas 72716. The meeting will be held on Thursday, February 17, 2022, from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT THE CITY OF BENTONVILLE, ARKANSAS. The public meeting will be held at the Bentonville Convention Center, 1000 West Main Street, Bentonville, Arkansas 72716. The meeting will be held on Thursday, February 17, 2022, from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm.



4701 Northshore Drive  
North Little Rock, AR 72118

TEL 501.376.3633  
FAX 501.372.8042

www.GarverUSA.com

Thursday, February 3, 2022

Erick Hernandez  
La Prensa Libre  
PO Box 2221  
Springdale, AR 72764  
Email: ehernandez@nwadg.com

Re: Display Ad – Notice of Virtual Public Meeting

Greetings:

Please publish the enclosed “**Notice of Virtual Public Meeting**” on the following dates:

Thursday, February 10, 2022  
Thursday, February 17, 2022

**Send one copy of the proof of publication with invoice for payment to:**

Garver  
**Attn: Lindi Miller – 21T21070**  
4701 Northshore Drive  
North Little Rock, AR 72118  
Email: LKMiller@garverusa.com

If you have questions regarding the written announcement or need additional information, please contact me at 501-823-0758 or LKMiller@GarverUSA.com.

Sincerely,  
GARVER

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Lindi Miller'.

Lindi Miller  
Communications Specialist

Enclosure

# Aviso de Reunión Pública

## Virtual en Línea



**ASUNTO:** Reunión de Involucramiento Público Virtual para discutir la construcción propuesta del nuevo intercambio en la interestatal I-49 y la extensión de la calle de NE J Street, hacia el Norte desde Tiger Boulevard a través de la I-49 por aproximadamente 1.1 millas, en la ciudad de Bentonville, Arkansas.

**CUANDO:** *Reunión en Vivo:*

Jueves, 17 de Febrero del 2022  
5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

*Periodo Para Enviar Comentarios:*

13 de Febrero - 4 de Marzo del 2022

**DÓNDE:** *Enlace para ingresar al sitio web del proyecto:*

[NEJStreetInterchange.es.TransportationPlanroom.com](http://NEJStreetInterchange.es.TransportationPlanroom.com)

\*\*\*\*\*

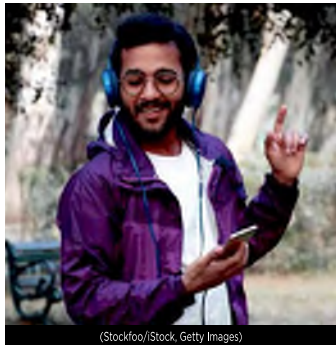
Patrocinador: La ciudad de Bentonville, Arkansas

Invita y anima al público a visitar el sitio web del proyecto para el intercambio de NE J Street en cualquier momento durante las fechas programadas para ver las exposiciones de la reunión y ofrecer comentarios sobre el proyecto. El sitio web: [NEJStreet.es.TransportationPlanRoom.com](http://NEJStreet.es.TransportationPlanRoom.com)

Necesidades especiales de comunicación o adaptación para personas con discapacidades según (ADA), por favor llamar a Lindi Miller al 501-823-0730 o Email a [PublicInvolvement@GarverUSA.com](mailto:PublicInvolvement@GarverUSA.com). Personas con discapacidad de audición y/o habla, contacte a Arkansas Relay System al (Voice / TTY 711). Solicitud necesaria 4 días previos a la reunión pública.



# Sintonice su salud con estas 5 ideas musicales



(Stockfoot/Stock, Getty Images)

**MICHAEL PRECKER**  
AIA NEWS

Desde los primeros momentos de la vida hasta sus últimas etapas, la música puede ayudarnos a ser más sanos y felices. Puede calmar y vigorizar, mejorar la salud mental e incluso ayudar a alguien a mantenerse vivo. "Se aprecia mucho el valor que puede aportar la música, y que no es farmacológico ni invasivo", afirma Daniel Tague, profesor adjunto y presidente de musicoterapia de la Southern Methodist University de Dallas. "Como musicoterapeutas, también estamos muy implicados en el proceso terapéutico".

Nancy Uscher, decana de la Facultad de Bellas Artes de la Universidad de Nevada, en Las Vegas, dijo que cada vez más investigaciones demuestran que las artes, "además de aportar alegría y satisfacción, pueden tener realmente un valor social. La salud es una parte importante de ello".

Muchos estudios científicos han subrayado el poder de la música. Por citar sólo algunos ejemplos: puede ayudar al desarrollo del cerebro de bebés nacidos prematuramente, reducir el estrés y reforzar el sistema inmunitario, aliviar el dolor, mejorar las sesiones de ejercicio y ayudar en el tratamiento de personas con enfermedad de Alzheimer. Un estudio sugiere incluso que la música adecuada podría ayudarnos a comer menos comida rápida.

Sin embargo, no hace falta una pila de revistas médicas, una cita con un especialista, o una complicada receta para poner la música al servicio de la salud. Pruebe estas cinco

selecciones algo que le guste".

### Prepare una lista con ritmos más lentos

La música adecuada también puede bajar el tono, reducir el estrés, preparar el sueño o simplemente cambiar el estado de ánimo general. "He dado conciertos en cárceles y hospitales", dice Uscher, concertista de violín que se ha presentado en todo el mundo. "Veo cómo la música puede afectar a las personas y mejorar sus vidas, incluso a las que están en la miseria".

Tague dijo que la música relajante puede ser incluso más eficaz "cuando se combina con otros métodos de relajación, como ejercicios de respiración, atención plena o imaginación".

### No solo escuche, toque algo

"La otra cara de la moneda es crear música directamente", dijo Tague. "Ya sea tocar el piano o una guitarra, siendo parte de un coro o de un círculo comunitario de tambores. Son actividades que pueden ayudar mucho a

la gente, sobre todo a las personas mayores que necesitan interacción social".

Uscher incluso comentó que nunca es demasiado tarde. "He enseñado a gente que nunca había tocado un instrumento", dijo. "Pueden avanzar muy rápidamente porque se concentran mucho".

### No permita que la pandemia lo desaliente

El aislamiento y la depresión que muchas personas han sufrido en la época de COVID-19 son una razón más para incorporar la música en la vida, dijo Tague.

"Todas esas cosas pueden abordarse con música", agregó. "Ahora hacemos bastante musi-

terapia por sesiones de telesalud, deja de ser necesario acudir a una clínica y tiene mucho éxito".

Además, si la gente se queda en casa, dijo Tague, "se puede hacer que la familia o los cuidadores formen parte de la experiencia musical, y ahora la gente está mucho más familiarizada con el uso de Zoom y otras aplicaciones. Es una nueva frontera en evolución, y en ciertos aspectos puede ser mejor".

### Repase la canción de 'Slayin' Alive'

No utilice la música sólo para su salud. El ritmo del éxito de los Bee Gees que se hizo famoso por la película "Fiebre del sába-

do por la noche", corresponde a la cadencia ideal de 100 a 120 pulsaciones por minuto para las compresiones torácicas de administrar RCP manual. De hecho, toda una serie de canciones que coincidan con esa cadencia han sido recopiladas en listas de reproducción que salvan vidas y que puede encontrar en las plataformas de streaming de música.

Entonces, si tararea la pieza mientras aprende a empujar fuerte y rápido en el centro del pecho, estará en condiciones de hacer realidad el título de la canción durante una emergencia cardíaca real.

Si tiene una pregunta o un comentario sobre este artículo, por favor mande un correo electrónico a editor@heart.org.

### Aviso de Reunión Pública Virtual en Línea



**ASUNTO:** Reunión de Involucramiento Público Virtual para discutir la construcción propuesta del nuevo intercambio en la intersección de la calle NE J Street, hacia el Norte desde Tiger Boulevard a través de la I-49 por aproximadamente 1.1 millas, en la ciudad de Bentonville, Arkansas.

**CUANDO:** Reunión en Vivo: Jueves, 17 de Febrero del 2022 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

**Periodo Para Enviar Comentarios:** 13 de Febrero - 4 de Marzo del 2022

**DÓNDE:** Enlace para ingresar al sitio web del proyecto:

[NEJStreetInterchange.es.TransportationPlanRoom.com](http://NEJStreetInterchange.es.TransportationPlanRoom.com)

Patrocinador: La ciudad de Bentonville, Arkansas

Invita y anima al público a visitar el sitio web del proyecto para el intercambio de NE J Street en cualquier momento durante las fechas programadas para ver las exposiciones de la reunión y ofrecer comentarios sobre el proyecto. El sitio web: [NEJStreet.es.TransportationPlanRoom.com](http://NEJStreet.es.TransportationPlanRoom.com)

Necesidades especiales de comunicación o adaptación para personas con discapacidades según (ADA), por favor llamar a Lindi Miller al 501-823-0730 o Email a [PublicInvolvement@GarverUSA.com](mailto:PublicInvolvement@GarverUSA.com). Personas con discapacidad de audición y/o habla, contacte a Arkansas Relay System al (Voice / TTY 711). Solicitud necesaria 4 días previos a la reunión pública.

**TELEMUNDO ARKANSAS**

**CANAL 33.1 HD**

**CANAL 156 | 2156 HD**

**CANAL 36**

**SÁB: 11PM**

**DOM: 10PM**

**LUN: 5PM**

**Para más información contacte al (479) 445-6238**

**El Mejor Banco Para Usted**

Cuentas de cheques • Cuentas de ahorro • Préstamos

**ONLY IN ARKANSAS**

**Ever Cuellar**  
479.246.7000  
3901 W Walnut, Rogers  
NMLS 1628433

**FirstSecurity**  
[fbank.com - celjpsark.com](http://fbank.com - celjpsark.com)

La financiación se realizará en inglés. Toda la documentación que recibe a lo largo de su proceso. Queremos que entienda la información. Antes de tomar una acción asegure de entenderla y que sea capaz de leerla para revisar todos los documentos con usted. Para obtener más información, por favor contacte a un representante del servicio al cliente al 479-760-3000. Member FDIC.

# La obesidad perjudica la salud del cerebro durante toda la vida, pero los científicos no saben por qué

CONTRIBUCIÓN ESPECIAL  
A LA PRENSA LIBRE

Cualquiera que haya subido demasiadas libras sabe que el sobrepeso puede hacernos más lentos. Con el tiempo, si esas libras se convierten en obesidad, pueden ocasionar graves daños y poner a la persona en riesgo de una amplia gama de enfermedades.

De hecho, tener demasiado peso en el cuerpo también puede dañar el cerebro.

Las investigaciones demuestran que la obesidad influye en la salud cerebral a partir de la infancia y hasta la edad adulta. Puede afectar desde las habilidades de la función ejecutiva – o sea, la compleja capacidad de iniciar, planificar y llevar a cabo tareas – hasta el aumento sustancial del riesgo de padecer demencia. Hacia la mediana edad, las consecuencias del exceso de peso son considerables. En varios estudios se ha demostrado que los adultos de mediana edad con un índice de masa corporal (IMC) igual o superior a 30, lo que se considera obesidad, tienen probabilidades mayores de padecer demencia comparados con sus pares de peso saludable.

No obstante, los investigadores siguen tratando de determinar las razones por las que el peso adicional perjudica el cerebro; si el mayor riesgo de demencia se va acumulando a lo largo de la vida; o, si la obesidad afecta al organismo de forma diferente en las distintas etapas de la vida.

También es posible que los retos cognitivos sean lo primero que ocurre y que estos contribuyan a la mala conducta alimentaria desde la infancia, dijo Alexis Wood, profesora adjunta de nutrición pediátrica del Centro de Investigación de Nutrición Infantil del Colegio de Medicina de Baylor, en Houston. El centro funciona en colaboración con el Servicio de Investigación Agrícola del Departamento de Agricultura de Estados Unidos.

“Hay pruebas bastante sólidas y sustanciales que abarcan toda la infancia, desde los primeros años hasta la adolescencia, que demuestran que el tener un mayor peso se relaciona con un menor funcionamiento cognitivo sobre todo la función ejecutiva”, dijo. “El porqué de esto se sigue debatiendo”.

Los mayores saltos se observaron en los niños de 6 a 11 años y en los que ya tenían sobrepeso antes de la pandemia. Algunos estudios han

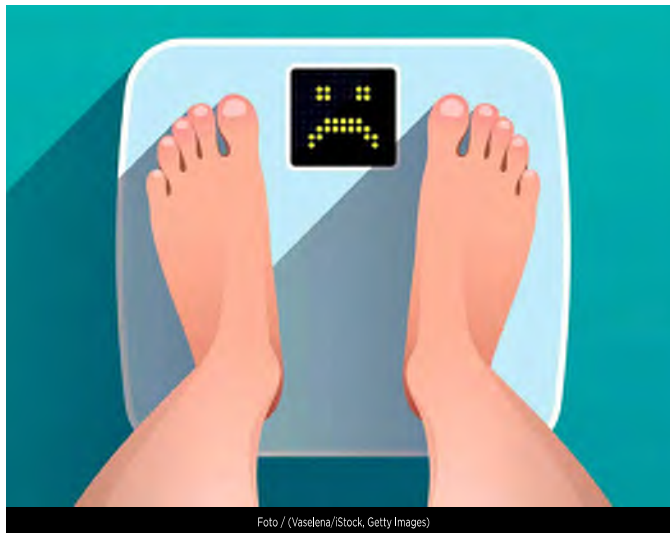


Foto / (Vaseleno/Stock, Getty Images)

Centros para el Control y la Prevención de Enfermedades, casi un 42% de los adultos quedaron en la categoría de obesos en 2018, con casi un 45% de entre 40 a 59 años de edad. Entre los niños y adolescentes, las tasas de obesidad aumentaron con la edad: más del 13% de los menores de 5 años; el 20% de los de 6 a 11 años y el 21% de los de 12 a 19 años.

La pandemia no ha hecho mucho para ayudar a frenar estas estadísticas. En septiembre de 2021, los CDC afirmaron que el ritmo del aumento de la IMC se duplicó durante la pandemia en comparación con el período anterior.

Los mayores saltos se observaron en los niños de 6 a 11 años y en los que ya tenían sobrepeso antes de la pandemia.

De acuerdo con los

trazado el inicio de la relación entre la dieta, el peso y la salud cerebral hasta el vientre materno. Según Wood, en la primera infancia ya existe una relación entre el exceso de peso y la capacidad de un niño para controlar y dirigir su comportamiento, integrar nueva información, planificar y resolver problemas. Lo que no ha quedado claro es qué es lo que sucede primero.

Por ejemplo, en un estudio publicado en el American Journal of Epidemiology se descubrió que, durante la etapa de estudio preescolar, los niños con mayores habilidades verbales y de función ejecutiva eran menos propensos a tener sobrepeso posteriormente durante la infancia. Otras investigaciones muestran que los niños pequeños

con sobrepeso u obesidad son menos capaces de controlar sus impulsos que los que tienen un peso saludable.

“Si los retos de la función cognitiva son lo primero, lo que se piensa principalmente es que

eso regula la forma en que los niños interactúan con su entorno”, dijo Wood. “Podrían no ser tan buenos en regular la ingesta de alimentos para balancear sus necesidades energéticas. Quizás comen cuando no tienen hambre, cuando ven algo muy apetecible como una golosina. Una menor función cognitiva en esta área altera la conducta alimentaria y predispone a comportamientos alimentarios inadecuados”.

Sin embargo, si los problemas de peso aparecen antes que los cambios cognitivos, quizás se deba a que el exceso de grasa aumenta la inflamación. Con el tiempo, eso puede ocasionar “cambios en la conectividad, la estructura y el funcionamiento del cerebro”, dijo.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

eso regula la forma en que los niños interactúan con su entorno”, dijo Wood. “Podrían no ser tan buenos en regular la ingesta de alimentos para balancear sus necesidades energéticas. Quizás comen cuando no tienen hambre, cuando ven algo muy apetecible como una golosina. Una menor función cognitiva en esta área altera la conducta alimentaria y predispone a comportamientos alimentarios inadecuados”.

Sin embargo, si los problemas de peso aparecen antes que los cambios cognitivos, quizás se deba a que el exceso de grasa aumenta la inflamación. Con el tiempo, eso puede ocasionar “cambios en la conectividad, la estructura y el funcionamiento del cerebro”, dijo.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

eso regula la forma en que los niños interactúan con su entorno”, dijo Wood. “Podrían no ser tan buenos en regular la ingesta de alimentos para balancear sus necesidades energéticas. Quizás comen cuando no tienen hambre, cuando ven algo muy apetecible como una golosina. Una menor función cognitiva en esta área altera la conducta alimentaria y predispone a comportamientos alimentarios inadecuados”.

Sin embargo, si los problemas de peso aparecen antes que los cambios cognitivos, quizás se deba a que el exceso de grasa aumenta la inflamación. Con el tiempo, eso puede ocasionar “cambios en la conectividad, la estructura y el funcionamiento del cerebro”, dijo.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

Una de las teorías es que el problema no surge únicamente por el (sobrepeso, sino por las condiciones y las enfermedades relacionadas con la obesidad que contribuyen de manera colectiva a una mala salud cerebral.

**Vea Obesidad en la página 3A**

## Aviso de Reunión Pública Virtual en Línea



**ASUNTO:** Reunión de Involucramiento Público Virtual para discutir la construcción propuesta del nuevo intercambio en la interestatal I-49 y la extensión de la calle de NE J Street, hacia el Norte desde Tiger Boulevard a través de la I-49 por aproximadamente 1.1 millas, en la ciudad de Bentonville, Arkansas.

**CUANDO:** Reunión en Vivo: Jueves, 17 de Febrero del 2022 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

**Periodo Para Enviar Comentarios:** 13 de Febrero - 4 de Marzo del 2022

**DÓNDE:** Enlace para ingresar al sitio web del proyecto:

NEJStreetInterchange.es.TransportationPlanroom.com

Patrocinador: La ciudad de Bentonville, Arkansas

Invita y anima al público a visitar el sitio web del proyecto para el intercambio de NE J Street en cualquier momento durante las fechas programadas para ver las exposiciones de la reunión y ofrecer comentarios sobre el proyecto. El sitio web: NEJStreet.es.TransportationPlanRoom.com

Necesidades especiales de comunicación o adaptación para personas con discapacidades según (ADA), por favor llamar a Lindi Miller al 501-823-6730 o Email a PublicInvolvement@GarverUSA.com. Personas con discapacidad de audición y/o habla, contacte a Arkansas Relay System al (Voice / TTY 711). Solicitud necesaria 4 días previos a la reunión pública.

**ACTUALMENTE CONTRATANDO**

**CANTERA**  
CONCRETE COMPANY

canteraconcrete.com (479) 334-5750

**El Mejor Banco Para Usted**

Cuentas de cheques • Cuentas de ahorro • Préstamos

**Elmer Rodriguez**  
479-750-5500  
100 West Emma  
Springdale  
NMLS 884056

**ONLY IN ARKANSAS**

La transacción se realizará en inglés. Toda la documentación que reciba y firme será en inglés. Queremos que entienda la transacción. Usted debe tener con usted alguien de confianza y que sea bilingüe en inglés para revisar todos los documentos con usted. Para obtener más información, por favor contacte a un representante del servicio de cliente al 479-750-5000.

fsbank.com - onlyinark.com

## **City Seeking Public Input about Proposed Construction of I-49 Interchange and Extension of NE J Street in Bentonville**

**CITY OF BENTONVILLE (DATE)** – The City of Bentonville will conduct a public involvement meeting to discuss the proposed construction of a new interchange on Interstate 49 and extend NE J Street northward from Tiger Boulevard across I-49 for approximately 1.1 miles.

The public is invited to listen, view meeting materials, and provide written comments. The website will be available for comments until **Friday, March 4, 2022**. Citizens will have an opportunity to ask questions and make comment during a “live” virtual presentation from **5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 17, 2022**. Garver, in coordination with the City of Bentonville, will conduct the live Microsoft Teams virtual public meeting.

**[Link To Virtual Meeting: \(click here\)](#)**

To access the online public meeting, click on the link above. It will take you to the online public meeting website. This website will provide project materials and handouts that would have been shown at an in-person meeting. A separate link (on that page) will provide a Spanish version of the website. There will also be an option to send online comment forms to project staff, or you can print the form and mail it to Garver, Attn: Lindi Miller, 4701 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR 72118.

If you do not have internet access, please contact Lindi Miller at 501-823-0730 or [PublicInvolvement@GarverUSA.com](mailto:PublicInvolvement@GarverUSA.com) to ask questions about the proposed project and how to access project information.



# LIVE ONLINE VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING

*Live Event:* February 17, 2022, 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.  
*Comment Period:* February 13 through March 4, 2022

The City of Bentonville will conduct an online Virtual Public Meeting to present and solicit feedback on the NE J Street Interchange project, which proposes to construct a new interchange on Interstate 49 and extend NE J Street northward from Tiger Boulevard across I-49 for approximately 1.1 miles.

Call (501) 823-0730 for additional project information or visit: [NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanRoom.com](http://NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanRoom.com)



# LIVE ONLINE VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING

The City of Bentonville will conduct an online Virtual Public Meeting to present and solicit feedback on the NE J Street Interchange project, which proposes to construct a new interchange on Interstate 49 and extend NE J Street northward from Tiger Boulevard across I-49 for approximately 1.1 miles.

**Live Event: February 17, 2022, 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.**  
**Comment Period: February 13 through March 4, 2022**

Call (501) 823 - 0730 for additional project information.



[NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanRoom.com](https://www.bentonville.gov/transportation/interchange/nejstreetinterchange/transportationplanroom)

# VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING

Comment Period: February 13 through March 4, 2022

The City of Bentonville will conduct an online Virtual Public Meeting to present and solicit feedback on the NE J Street Interchange project, which proposes to construct a new interchange on Interstate 49 and extend NE J Street northward from Tiger Boulevard across I-49 for approximately 1.1 miles.

Call (501) 823-0730 for additional project information or visit [NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanRoom.com](https://www.bentonville.com/transportation/NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanRoom.com)



# Tweet Sheet

## Suggested Public Meeting Social Media Posts

---

### NE J Street Interchange Virtual Public Involvement Meeting

#### Example 1

Mark your calendar to attend! The NE J Street Interchange Virtual Public Meeting to discuss a proposed new interchange on I-49 and northward extension of NE J Street will be held LIVE & online Thursday, February 17 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at [NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanRoom.com](https://NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanRoom.com).

#### Example 2

Bentonville is hosting a Virtual Public Meeting for the NE J Street Interchange project. The meeting can be viewed online at [NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanRoom.com](https://NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanRoom.com) now through March 4, 2022.

#### Example 3

Don't forget! The NE J Street Interchange Virtual Public Meeting to discuss a proposed new interchange on I-49 and northward extension of NE J Street will be held LIVE & online at [NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanRoom.com](https://NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanRoom.com) on Thursday, February 17, 2022 from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

#### Example 4

Check out the Virtual Public Meeting for the NE J Street Interchange online for information on a new interchange on I-49 and northward extension of NE J Street. You can view project materials and submit comments through March 4 at [NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanRoom.com](https://NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanRoom.com)

#### Example 5

The comment period is open through March 4, 2022 for the City of Bentonville's NE J Street Interchange Virtual Public Meeting! The website provides project information for a new interchange on I-49 and northward extension of NE J St. Visit [NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanRoom.com](https://NEJStreetInterchange.TransportationPlanRoom.com) for more info!



**PAY BILLS ONLINE**  
Easily pay your bills online.



**PARKS & RECREATION**  
Recreation services & information.



**INTERACTIVE MAPS**  
GIS, directions, & specialty maps.



**DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**  
Permits, regulations & applications.



**EMPLOYMENT**  
Current opportunities.



**BENTONVILLE 311**  
Click for more information.

## LATEST NEWS & EVENTS

Find out what's new in Bentonville.

[View All](#)



**Aggregate Trail Officially Reopens**  
Bentonville Parks & Recreation is pleased to announce the reopening of Aggregate Trail. Due to damage sustained during a significant flood event in April 2021, the trail surface had been closed between 1st and 2nd Street and 1st and 2nd Street.  
[Read More](#)



**101 J Street Interchange Virtual Public Involvement Meeting**  
The City of Bentonville will conduct a public involvement virtual meeting to discuss the proposed construction of a new interchange on Interstate 49 and existing 101 J Street northward from Elgin Boulevard across I-49 for approximately 1.1 miles.  
[Read More](#)



**Street Closure - SW 'A'**  
SW 'A' Street will be closed between 1st Street and 1st and 2nd Street for construction.  
[Read More](#)



**Coffee with Mayor Orman**  
Bentonville Public Library February is Library Lovers' Month! Bentonville Public Library Director, Leah Butler, will join the Mayor's Coffee to discuss library services and resources.  
[Read More](#)

### PUBLIC MEETINGS

### COMMUNITY EVENTS

### PARKS AND RECREATION

February 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	31	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28					

Tue Feb. 15

[Planning Commission Regular Meeting](#)

Mon Feb. 21

[PRESIDENTS DAY - City Offices Closed](#)

Tue Feb. 22

[City Council Meeting](#)

Tue Mar. 1

[Planning Commission Regular Meeting](#)

Tue Mar. 8

[City Council Meeting](#)

[View All](#)

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- How do I sign up for utilities?
- How do I contact my council members?
- Where can I find open employment opportunities?

### HELPER LINKS

- Home
- Accessibility
- Privacy
- Copyright Notices
- Contact Us
- Site Map
- Bentonville Public Library
- City Newsletter
- Community Center
- Membership
- Deed from Bentonville
- Employment Opportunities
- Online Payments
- Permits & Applications
- Pet Licenses
- Reserve a Park Pavilion
- Track Services
- Volunteer Programs
- Water & Sewer Services

The City of Bentonville  
1000 SW 14th, Bentonville, AR 72712



**Use of Copyrighted Materials or City Logo:** This site contains copyrighted materials, including the official logo of the City of Bentonville, Arkansas. Except as otherwise expressly permitted under copyright law, no copying, redistribution or publication of copyrighted material will be permitted without the consent of City and the owner of the copyrighted materials. User acknowledges that it does not gain any ownership rights by downloading copyrighted materials.



Government Websites by CloudPath


**PAY BILLS ONLINE**  
Easily pay your bills online

**PARKS & RECREATION**  
Recreation services & information

**INTERACTIVE MAPS**  
GIS, directions, & specialty maps

**DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**  
Permits, regulations & applications

**EMPLOYMENT**  
Current opportunities

**BENTONVILLE 311**  
Click for more information

**NE J Street Interchange Virtual Public Involvement Meeting**

**Bentonville, AR...** The City of Bentonville will conduct a public involvement virtual meeting to discuss the proposed construction of a new interchange on Interstate 49 and extend NE J Street northward from Tiger Boulevard across I-49 for approximately 1.1 miles.

The public is invited to learn, view meeting materials, and provide written comments. Citizens will have an opportunity to ask questions and make comments during a "live" virtual presentation from 8:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on **Thursday, February 17, 2022**, starting in coordination with the City of Bentonville, will conduct the live Microsoft Teams virtual public meeting. The website will remain available for comments until **Friday, March 4, 2022**, at [58.130.200.100/interchange\\_virtual\\_public\\_involvement\\_meeting](http://58.130.200.100/interchange_virtual_public_involvement_meeting).

**LINK TO VIRTUAL MEETING: [CLICK HERE](#)**

To access the online public meeting, click on the link above – it will take you to the online public meeting website. This website will provide project materials and handouts that will be shown during the virtual meeting. A separate link (on that page) will provide a Spanish version of the website. There will also be an option to send online comment forms to project staff, or you can print the form and mail it to Garver, Attn: Lindi Miller, 4704 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR 72116.

If you do not have internet access, please contact Lindi Miller at 501-625-6758 or [PublicInvolvement@GarverUSA.com](mailto:PublicInvolvement@GarverUSA.com) to ask questions about the proposed project and how to access project information.

**Search**

All categories ▾

🔍

**📁 Fields**

- 📁 500
- 📁 600
- 📁 700
- 📁 800
- 📁 900

**📁 Categories**

- 📁 All Categories
- 📁 06 News

---

**Other News in City News**

- Applegate Trail Officially Reopens**

Posted on February 11, 2022
- Street Closure - MW "A"**

Posted on February 10, 2022
- Coffee with Mayor Orsma featuring Bentonville Public Library**

Posted on February 7, 2022
- Start of Construction - Dickards Park Dog Park & Playground**

Posted on February 4, 2022
- Secret Service Award Presented to Bentonville Police Officer**

Posted on January 28, 2022
- STREET CLOSURE - South Main Street**

Posted on January 6, 2022

#### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- [Are new to Bentonville. How do I sign up for utilities?](#)
- [How do I contact any council members?](#)
- [Where can I find open employment opportunities?](#)

#### HELPFUL LINKS

- |                                   |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| <a href="#">Home</a>              | <a href="#">Bentonville Public Library</a> | <a href="#">Permits &amp; Applications</a> |
| <a href="#">Accessibility</a>     | <a href="#">City Newsletter</a>            | <a href="#">Pet Licenses</a>               |
| <a href="#">Privacy</a>           | <a href="#">Community Center</a>           | <a href="#">Reserve a Park Pavilion</a>    |
| <a href="#">Copyright Notices</a> | <a href="#">Membership</a>                 | <a href="#">Trash Services</a>             |
| <a href="#">Contact Us</a>        | <a href="#">Downtown Bentonville</a>       | <a href="#">Volunteer Program</a>          |
| <a href="#">Site Map</a>          | <a href="#">Employment Opportunities</a>   | <a href="#">Water &amp; Sewer Services</a> |
|                                   | <a href="#">Online Payments</a>            |  |

The City of Bentonville  
1000 SW 19th, Bentonville, AR 72712



**Use of Copyrighted Materials or City Logo:** This site contains copyrighted materials, including the official logo of the City of Bentonville, Arkansas. Except as otherwise expressly permitted under copyright law, no copying, redistribution or publication of copyrighted material will be permitted without the consent of City and the owner of the copyrighted materials. User acknowledges that it does not gain any ownership rights by downloading copyrighted materials.

