

Construction Staging



Stage 1A: Aug - Oct 2019

Work: Utility and water main construction begins.

Road closures:

- Southtown Dr. is closed for the duration of construction – access to businesses remain open.
- Late Sept.-early Oct. (date is still TBD), ramp from southbound I-35W to westbound I-494 closed for approximately 3 weeks, follow posted detour westbound Hwy 62 to southbound Hwy 100 to I-494.
- Overnight ramp closure(s) from Penn Avenue to eastbound I-494 are anticipated, follow posted detour routes;
 - » To eastbound I-494 take eastbound American Blvd. or eastbound 76th St. to Lyndale Ave.
 - » To southbound I-35 take eastbound 82nd St. to I-35W.



Stage 2A: Spring 2020 - Fall 2020

Work: Build north segment of transitway tunnel.

Road closures:

- Ramp from southbound I-35W to westbound I-494 closed for approximately 4 months, follow posted detour to westbound Hwy 62 to southbound Hwy 100 to I-494.
- Three lanes of traffic in each direction maintained on the south side of I-494.



Stage 1B: Fall 2019

Work: Build temporary I-494 lanes on Southtown Drive and SW corner of I-494 and I-35W interchange for future traffic during tunnel construction.

Road closures:

- Ramp from eastbound I-494 to southbound I-35W for approximately 2 weeks, follow posted detour thru three I-494 and I-35W interchange ramps. Northbound I-35W then westbound I-494 to southbound I-35W.



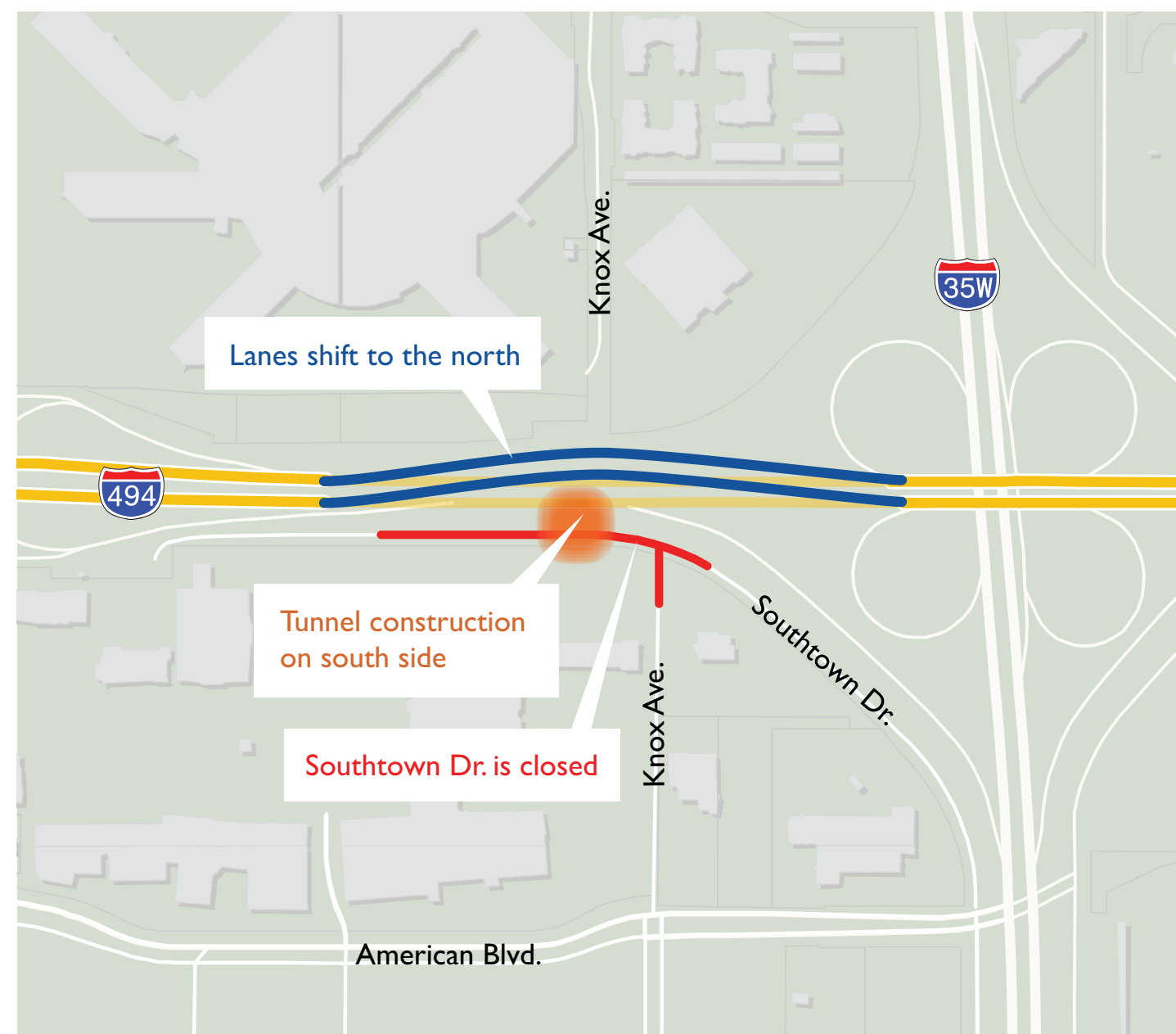
Stage 2B: Fall 2020 - Winter 2020

Work: Build I-494 median area for winter road configuration.

Road closures:

- Short-term, weekend or overnight lane and ramp closures anticipated.

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Stage 3A: Spring 2021 - Summer 2021

Work: Build south segment of transitway tunnel.

Road closures:

- 3 lanes of traffic in each direction maintained on north side of I-494.



Stage 3C: Fall 2021

Work: I-494 barrier work and return I-494 to original lane configuration.

Road closures:

- Weekend and/or overnight closures anticipated. More information will be in 2021.



Stage 3B: Summer 2021

Work: Connect tunnel segments

Road closures:

- Ramp from eastbound I-494 to southbound I-35W closed for approximately 3 weeks. Follow posted detour.