



MAPLE AVENUE MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION (MAMA)

Supporting, Promoting & Connecting Our Local Business Community

MAMA Meeting Update: Positive Progress for Maple Avenue

Thank You to Our Guests

The Maple Avenue Merchants Association (MAMA) would like to sincerely thank City Council Members Jesse Moreno (District 2) and Gay Donnell Willis (District 13), along with Dr. Ghassan "Gus" Khankarli, Director of the Dallas Department of Transportation & Public Works, Jana Wentzel, AICP, Transportation Planning Administrator, and Policy Analyst Devon Skinner for attending our recent community meeting.

We appreciate the time they took to meet directly with business owners, property owners, residents, and stakeholders to discuss the future of Maple Avenue. Their willingness to answer questions, listen to concerns, and engage in an open dialogue was greatly appreciated by everyone in attendance.

Key Takeaways

The information shared during the meeting was encouraging and provided important clarification regarding the future of transportation planning on Maple Avenue.

City staff clarified that while a Maple Avenue road diet remains part of the original Bike Plan concepts, it is not a finalized decision and is not set in stone. The City's current focus is on implementing and evaluating safety improvements, including improved lighting, enhanced crosswalks, traffic signal upgrades and timing adjustments, and ongoing traffic and safety monitoring.

City representatives further indicated that if these safety measures successfully address safety concerns along the corridor, there would be no need to pursue a road diet with bike lanes on Maple Avenue.

During the meeting, City staff explained that these safety improvements are expected to be implemented and evaluated over the next five years. MAMA specifically asked whether any road diet proposal would move forward during that period, and City representatives indicated that the current focus is on the safety improvements and evaluating their effectiveness.

City representatives also assured attendees that MAMA and the broader Maple Avenue community will continue to be included in future discussions regarding the corridor. We appreciate the City's commitment to engaging business owners, property owners, residents, and other stakeholders before significant changes affecting Maple Avenue are considered.

This Is the Time to Remain Engaged

While the information we received was positive and reassuring, now is the time for the Maple Avenue community to make its voice heard.

Dr. Ghassan "Gus" Khankarli and his team made it clear that community feedback matters and that they want to hear directly from the people who live, work, own property, and operate businesses on Maple Avenue.

If you believe Maple Avenue should remain a safe, accessible, and vibrant commercial corridor while preserving its current vehicular traffic lanes, we strongly encourage you to submit your comments before June 30.

SUBMIT YOUR COMMENTS BEFORE JUNE 26th

Option 1: Complete the Public Comment Form

 [CLICK HERE TO COMPLETE THE PUBLIC COMMENT FORM](#)

Option 2: Email Your Comments Directly

 ddotplanning@dallas.gov

Suggested Topics to Address

- Preserving vehicular access to Maple Avenue
- Maintaining adequate parking for businesses and customers
- Supporting traffic flow along the corridor
- Enhancing safety through lighting, crosswalks, and signal improvements
- Protecting the economic vitality of Maple Avenue businesses

Every comment matters. Please take a few minutes to make your voice heard before June 26.

MAMA appreciates the City's willingness to listen and its commitment to including corridor stakeholders in future discussions. Together, we can help ensure that Maple Avenue remains safe, accessible, convenient, and economically vibrant for years to come.

The MAMA Team

Want to Stay Informed?

MAMA was created to give Maple Avenue business owners, property owners, residents, and stakeholders a stronger voice in issues affecting our corridor.

If you would like to stay informed about future meetings, public safety initiatives, transportation discussions, and other issues impacting Maple Avenue, we encourage you to join MAMA.

For membership information, visit **MapleAveMerchants.com**.