

## Omaha's Historic Boulevards Master Plan

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"Public Parks are not merely a convenience or luxury, they are an absolute necessity to every great city. With a system of parks there must be boulevards, forming as it were a chain or belt of pleasure resorts."
(Art Work of Omaha, W.H. Parish Publishing Co., 1896)


Omaha- 20th \& Dodge St. looking west, taken c.1892-1912
(Source: Omaha Public Library, 2012)

## INIRCOCICN

The following guidelines are meant to provide project managers, city staff and consultants with a design decision-making tool to ensure the preservation of, or expectations for, improvements within the historic Omaha Boulevards System. These guidelines provide a balance of historic design standards for these important roadways with today's traffic safety standards.

Public support for preservation of the system is strongly illustrated through comments received in the master planning process. Preserving historic integrity was ranked one of the highest among considerations for the system moving forward, followed by maintaining the system in terms of roadway and walk surface, curbs, tree trimming, etc.

## 1 <br> HISTORY OF THE BOULEVARDS SYSTEM

The Omaha Boulevards Master Plan compliments the city's past efforts to catalogue, acknowledge and preserve this remarkable city-defining resource for future generations. As traffic increases and pressure on the existing system mounts from a variety of fronts it is important to remember the original aspirations for the system so its contribution to Omaha's quality of life and economic vitality is not lost.

The Boulevard System is a legacy left by the leadership of George L. Miller, president of Omaha's first Board of Park Commissioners in 1889. One of the Board's first actions was to commission H.W.S. Cleveland, visionary landscape architect of the late 1800's, to design a comprehensive, interconnected park system for the City. His interest and goals are expressed in the following quotations from his writing, Suggestions for a system of Parks and Parkways for the City of Minneapolis, 1883:
>>
He saw purchasing land for such a system as "a wise and safe investment" that would "render a city attractive to strangers, while strengthening the local pride and affection of the inhabitants".
» Through establishment and maintenance of the system he saw that "the beauties of nature may be had almost without cost".
» His insight was notably prescient in realizing that "the bearing upon the work you have in hand is of tenfold more importance than the mere beautifying of your streets" and "this is a work for all time".

Mr. Cleveland truly believed, and it has largely come to pass, that such a system of parks and interconnected green space would enhance and protect property values and provide access to nature and its benefits within the developing community.

Omaha is working to celebrate and build on this legacy with preservation of the Boulevard System. It is an important foundation for implementing the city's vision of becoming a more vibrant, livable and walkable city with a high quality of life. The historic system is the beginning of the city's Green Streets initiative and the backbone of a strong environmental ethic.


## BOULEVARD GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The most important aspect of the Master Plan is the preparation of design guidelines which set out expectations related to future preservation of the system. In support of maintaining historic integrity as the primary driver for the guidelines, they largely reflect maintaining what "is" or replacing what "was". The following Guiding Principles were developed with the help of citizens and city staff as a foundation for design criteria and were based on a thorough site investigation of the system as it exists today.

## 1. Preservation of existing trees is paramount. Avoiding removal or damage is a primary objective.

2. Preserve existing center medians, curb radii, intersections and islands, avoid construction of "new" traffic solutions including turn lanes, round-a-bouts, bulbouts, etc. Think of improvements to the network grid to solve problems rather than changes to the boulevard.

## 3. Preserve current horizontal and vertical alignment of Boulevards.

4. Implement way-finding and identification throughout the system. This is important to the preservation of the system. Create an identification package unique to the system and implement overtime. This may include streetlights and appropriate signs.

## 5. Preserve and enhance the long, linear expanse of parkway lawn existing in

 most boulevard corridors. Prevent new curb cuts, parking bays in R.O.W. and widening, or addition of new driveways. Maintain historic building setback.
## 6. Make use of the pavement width to

 meet multi-modal needs or narrow roadway over time.7. Prevent placement of overhead power lines within or adjacent to the R.O.W. Bury or relocate those that exist as the opportunity arises. Allow placement of infrastructure facilities below ground only.
8. Restore historical connections where economically feasible and important to the community-wide roadway network.


The road right-of-way on a single boulevard can vary from industrial with minimal sidewalks to a serene park setting to a residential street with wide parkway areas.

It was clear from the inventory process that one-size does not fit all of the boulevards, nor will a single set of guidelines be helpful to preservation of the system. Therefore, the Boulevard Master Plan Design Guidelines identify segments with tailored recommendations for each piece. For each segment, the guidelines present general information including:
» Segment Length
» Right of Way Width
» Average Daily Traffic, if available
» Adjacent Land Use
» Important Features and Considerations
» Implementation Opportunities and/or Policy Support for Recommendations

Segment specific recommendations are developed in each of the following criteria for by segment of the boulevards system. For further information/definition of criteria refer to the graphic glossary.


## 11. Traffic Calming

This item identifies appropriate traffic calming approaches by boulevard segment. Round-a-bouts are considered inconsistent with the historic integrity of the system and should not be used.
12. Bike Facilities

This notes the appropriate facility (i.e. bike lane, sharrow or sidepath) for the segment.

## 13. Building Setback

To match setback of existing structures along the boulevard.

## 14. Street Lighting

Install Boulevard Standard Streetlights or create an identity for use of existing streetlights. Standard to be designed as part of the way-finding and identity package. It is understood that implementation of this item will occur as money is available.

## 15. Utilities

Allow utility boxes, lines and related infrastructure below ground only, median green space is to be left intact and undisturbed by such facilities. If the opportunity to relocate or bury power lines arises, it should be taken.
16. Fencing

Fencing should not extend beyond the building setback line identified above.
17. Sidewalks

Five foot is the desired minimum sidewalk width. It is understood that improvements will match existing unless an entire block is being reconstructed. This item identifies if sidewalks are to be on one or both sides of the street.
18. Trails/Sidepaths

This designates if a trail or sidepath is appropriate to the segment. Locations are consistent with the city's Transportation Master Plan.
19. Street Tree Configuration

This identifies appropriate tree placement and whether trees should be symmetrical or informal in nature. This depends largely upon what is existing. It is important to provide continuous tree canopy as envisioned by Cleveland by filling gaps where possible.

## 20. Tree Species

The list in the approved Green Streets manual is the basis for tree selectionlist will be reviewed and narrowed for those species that create canopy, the desired outcome of boulevard tree plantings. There may also be some segments where a specific species is identified.
21. Parkway Lawn
Parkway Lawn is the area from the curb to the sidewalk. The
recommendations indicate the ideal Parkway Lawn in a particular
segment. There may be some that exist that are smaller but they are
considered "grandfathered in".




## LEGEND

Wark/Open Space | Wayfinding Feature |
| :--- |
| (signage, pavement |
| markings, etc.) |

Historic Boulevard
Begin/End Boulevard

| Begin/End Boulevard |
| :--- |
| Segment |


| Segment Identification |
| :--- |
| Number |

Overlook

## BEMEDPRE BCUEARD

Perhaps the most winding portion of boulevard, at its summit, Belvedere Blvd provides a vista extending more than ten miles looking east across Miller Park, Levi Carter Park, and into lowa. The bluff is said to be the highest in the city at nearly twelve hundred feet. This section of boulevard provides a scenic connection from Miller Park/Florence Blvd to Fontenelle Blvd with its dense canopy "roof" created by the over-arching trees.


## SEgMENT 1 | BGMETRE BCUEMARD

\{N 30th St to Curtis Ave \}
LEGEND


Approx. Length
Right of Way Width
Adjacent Land Use

## Important Considerations

Opportunities

3,800 If
100 ft .
Residential
Maintain curvilinear alignment.
Said to be the highest point in the city.
Many intersections along the boulevard require wayfinding cues.
Intersection at Curtis Ave needs directional signage for clarification.
Possible connection to Florence and Minne Lusa Boulevards through Miller Park.

| CP DR\｜NE RECQNMENDAM CNS |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CRITERIA |  | EXISTING CONDITION | RECOMMENDATION（if different from exist．） |
| Z | PAVEMENT WIDTH | 30 ft ． |  |
| $\bigcirc$ | NO．OF THROUGH LANES | 2 |  |
| 山 | TRUCK TRAFFIC | Prohibited |  |
| － | ON－STREET PARKING | Yes－both sides | Parallel parking only |
| \＄ | CURB RETURN RADIUS | 25 ft ． | 20 ft ．ideal（ 25 ft ．max．） |
| 3 | MAXIMUM SPEED | 25 mph |  |
| － | MEDIAN | No |  |
| $\bigcirc$ | SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS | Yes at 30th St／Hwy 75 |  |
| $\infty$ | CROSSWALKS | No | Allowed－as appropriate＊ |
| $\geqslant$ | DRIVEWAYS／CURB CUTS | 20 ft ． | Maximum 12 ft ． |
| $\frac{4}{3}$ | TRAFFIC CALMING | Curvilinear alignment |  |
| 4 | BIKE FACILITIES | No | On－road，sharrow |
| $\bigcirc$ | BUILDING SETBACK | Varies | Minimum 20 ft ． |
| ト | STREET LIGHTING | Cobra－head， 150 ft ．spacing | Update＊ |
| ¢ | UTILITIES | Below ground | Prohibited－utility boxes \＆overhead lines |
| $\overline{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}$ | FENCING | In front of setback line | Nothing in front of setback line |
| Z | SIDEWALKS | One side－ 4 ft ． | One side－minimum 5 ft ． |
| ज | TRAILS | No |  |
| 岗 | STREET TREE CONFIGURATION | Symmetrical，evenly spaced tree plantings | Symmetrical tree plantings；max． 40 ft ． spacing ${ }^{+}$where gaps exist |
| $\stackrel{\text { U }}{ }$ | TREE SPECIES | Various | Groups 1 thru $5^{+}$maintain continuous canopy |
| 崖 | PARKWAY LAWN | Varies | 15 ft ． |
| 官 | STORMWATER BMP＇S | No | Allowed－Porous Pavement ${ }^{+}$ |
| 宸 | WATER FEATURES | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| $\infty$ | ARTWORK \＆ORNAMENTATION | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| 山 | MEMORIALS \＆MONUMENTS | Yes－overlook | By Park Board Approval |
| ¢ | WAYFINDING \＆SIGNAGE | No | Yes－＂de－clutter＂\＆consolidate signage＊ |
| ロ | BANNERS／HANGING BASKETS | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| Z | PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| 」 | STREET FURNISHINGS | No | By Administrative Approval |

＊Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section，pg．x for further information．
＋Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information／definition．


## SEGMENT 2| BANMDPREBDLARD <br> \{Curtis Ave to Fontenelle Blvd\}



Length 1,055 If
Right of Way Width 80 ft .
Adjacent Land Use Residential

Average Daily Traffic Important Considerations

Opportunities

2,055 ADT at the intersection of Belvedere Blvd and Fontenelle Blvd Wayfinding and signage at intersections with Belvedere Blvdsegment 1.

Well-maintained portion of the system.
Enhanced intersection at Fontenelle Blvd to include special feature and wayfinding/signage. (see glossary)

| CH DR\｜NE RECQNMENDANCNS |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CRITERIA |  | EXISTING CONDITION | RECOMMENDATION（if different from exist．） |
| Z | PAVEMENT WIDTH | 30 ft ． |  |
| O | NO．OF THROUGH LANES | 2 |  |
| U | TRUCK TRAFFIC | Prohibited |  |
| － | ON－STREET PARKING | Yes－one side | Parallel parking only |
| \＄ | CURB RETURN RADIUS | 25 ft ． |  |
| 3 | MAXIMUM SPEED | 30 mph |  |
| － | MEDIAN | No |  |
| $\bigcirc$ | SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS | Yes at Fontenelle Blvd | Allowed－where warranted |
| $\infty$ | CROSSWALKS | Yes at Fontenelle Blvd | Allowed－as appropriate＊ |
| $\geqslant$ | DRIVEWAYS／CURB CUTS | Maximum 20 ft ． | Maximum 12 ft ． |
| $\frac{4}{3}$ | TRAFFIC CALMING |  |  |
| 4 | BIKE FACILITIES | No | On－road，sharrow |
| $\bigcirc$ | BUILDING SETBACK | Varies | Minimum 25 ft ． |
| ト | STREET LIGHTING | Cobra－head， 150 ft ．spacing | Update＊ |
| ¢ | UTILITIES | Below ground | Prohibited－utility boxes \＆overhead lines |
| $\overline{\boldsymbol{x}}$ | FENCING | In front of setback line | Nothing in front of setback line |
| Z | SIDEWALKS | Both sides－ 5 ft ． |  |
| $\bar{\sim}$ | TRAILS | No |  |
| 岗 | STREET TREE CONFIGURATION | Symmetrical，evenly spaced tree plantings | Symmetrical tree plantings；max． 40 ft ． spacing ${ }^{+}$where gaps exist |
| $\stackrel{\text { U }}{ }$ | TREE SPECIES | Various | Groups 1， 2 \＆ $5^{+}$maintain continuous canopy |
| 耑 | PARKWAY LAWN | 8 ft ． |  |
| 它 | STORMWATER BMP＇S | No | Allowed－Porous Pavement ${ }^{+}$ |
| 宸 | WATER FEATURES | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| $\infty$ | ARTWORK \＆ORNAMENTATION | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| 山 | MEMORIALS \＆MONUMENTS | No | Not Appropriate，By Park Board Approval |
| S | WAYFINDING \＆SIGNAGE | No | Yes－＂de－clutter＂\＆consolidate signage＊ |
| ロ | BANNERS／HANGING BASKETS | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| Z | PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| 」 | STREET FURNISHINGS | No | By Administrative Approval |

＊Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section，pg．x for further information．
＋Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information／definition．

\{Florence Blvd to Levi Carter Lake Park\}


Length 3,500 If
Right of Way Width
Adjacent Land Use

## Important Considerations

160 ft .
Residential
Rural-like section of the boulevards system.
The possibility of redevelopment to the south to Carter may effect use/loads of Carter Blvd.
While this boulevard does not provide sidewalks, the frontage road provides the same edge to the parkway lawn.
Opportunities

Improvements to Levi Carter Lake Park and Drive to extend the Drive to Abbott Dr.

Rain Gardens or bio-retention basins are appropriate to this portion of road as no curb and gutter currently exist.

| Cy DRa NE RECOMNENDAM |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CRITERIA |  | EXISTING CONDITION | RECOMMENDATION（if different from exist．） |
| Z | PAVEMENT WIDTH | 28 ft ． |  |
| O | NO．OF THROUGH LANES | 2 |  |
| 山 | TRUCK TRAFFIC | Prohibited |  |
| 0 | ON－STREET PARKING | No |  |
| ＜ | CURB RETURN RADIUS | 25 ft ． | 20 ft ．ideal（25 ft．max．） |
| 3 | MAXIMUM SPEED | 30 mph |  |
| － | MEDIAN | No |  |
| $\bigcirc$ | SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS | Yes | Allowed－where warranted |
| $\infty$ | CROSSWALKS | No | Allowed－as appropriate＊ |
| $\geqslant$ | DRIVEWAYS／CURB CUTS | 35 ft ． | Maximum 20 ft ． |
| $\frac{4}{3}$ | TRAFFIC CALMING |  |  |
| 4 | BIKE FACILITIES | No | On－road，bike lane |
| $\bigcirc$ | BUILDING SETBACK | O ft． |  |
| ト | STREET LIGHTING | Cobra－head， 150 ft ．spacing | Update＊ |
| ¢ | UTILITIES | Below ground | Prohibited－utility boxes \＆overhead lines |
| $\boldsymbol{\square}$ | FENCING | Nothing in front of setback line |  |
| $\boldsymbol{z}$ | SIDEWALKS | Both sides－width varies | Both sides－minimum 5 ft ． |
| ज | TRAILS | No |  |
| 岗 | STREET TREE CONFIGURATION | Symmetrical，evenly spaced tree plantings | Symmetrical tree plantings；max． 40 ft ． spacing ${ }^{+}$where gaps exist |
| $\stackrel{\text { U }}{ }$ | TREE SPECIES | Various | Groups 1 thru 5＋maintain continuous canopy |
| 寝 | PARKWAY LAWN | 40 ft ．－ 60 ft ． | Minimum 40 ft ． |
| 它 | STORMWATER BMP＇S | No | Allowed－Porous Pavement，Rain Gardens＋ |
| 宸 | WATER FEATURES | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| $\infty$ | ARTWORK \＆ORNAMENTATION | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| 山 | MEMORIALS \＆MONUMENTS | No | Not Appropriate；By Park Board Approval |
| S | WAYFINDING \＆SIGNAGE | No | Yes－＂de－clutter＂\＆consolidate signage＊ |
| ロ | BANNERS／HANGING BASKETS | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| Z | PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| $\pm$ | STREET FURNISHINGS | No | By Administrative Approval |

＊Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section，pg．x for further information．
＋Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information／definition．




## LHR PARK BCULRARD

Deer Park Boulevard is perhaps the corridor that retains the least of its original character, excepting the segment that runs through the park. The construction of I-480 forever changed this area and restoration is problematic given current land use.

The boulevard's original alignment originally passed through what is now Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo. This Missouri River basin landscape of heavily forested slopes undoubtedly was chosen by H.W.S. Cleveland to provide a splendid carriage ride while experiencing the vast river setting.


## SEGMENT $1 \mid$ DHR PARK BCULRARD <br> \{Hanscom Blvd to 24th St \}

LEGEND


Approx. Length
Right of Way Width
Adjacent Land Use Important Considerations

3,560 If
150 ft . (Hansom Blvd to 25th St) 100 ft . (25th St to 24th St)
Commercial, Park/Open Space, Civic, Industrial
The bridges spanning Interstate -480 and rail lines are a major feature to this segment.
Adjacent land uses and minimal maintenance contribute to the disconnect of Deer Park Blvd from the historic system.
Opportunities
Enhance the bridges as a special feature and better accommodate bicycle and pedestrians. The planned improvements to Vinton will make this connection over Interstate -480 and rail very important.
Wayfinding to connect the boulevard at 25th St.
Connection to Vinton St. to the east and 24th St to the north)

## CIDB NE RECOMMENDAICS

|  | CRITERIA | EXISTING CONDITION | RECOMMENDATION（if different from exist．） |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Z | PAVEMENT WIDTH | 30 ft ． |  |
| － | NO．OF THROUGH LANES | 2 |  |
| H | TRUCK TRAFFIC | Not Prohibited |  |
| 0 | ON－STREET PARKING | No |  |
| \＄ | CURB RETURN RADIUS | 30 ft ． | 25 ft ． |
| 3 | MAXIMUM SPEED | 30 mph |  |
| 4 | MEDIAN | No |  |
| 0 | SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS | Yes | Allowed－where warranted |
| $\infty$ | CROSSWALKS | No | Allowed－as appropriate＊ |
| $\geqslant$ | DRIVEWAYS／CURB CUTS | Maximum 30 ft ． | Maximum 20 ft ． |
| 3 | TRAFFIC CALMING |  |  |
| 1 | BIKE FACILITIES | No | On－road，sharrow |
| 0 | BUILDING SETBACK | Varies | Minimum 10 ft ． |
| F | STREET LIGHTING | Cobra－head， 150 ft ．spacing | Update＊ |
| ㅂ | UTILITIES | Above ground－electric | Prohibited－Utility Boxes \＆Overhead Lines |
| $\underline{\square}$ | FENCING | In front of setback line | Nothing in front of setback line |
|  | SIDEWALKS | One side－ 4 ft ． | Minimum 5 ft ． |
| 즈N | TRAILS | No |  |
| 耑 | STREET TREE CONFIGURATION | Symmetrical spacing w／gaps | Restore symmetrical，evenly spaced；max． 40 ft ． spacing |
| $\underline{U}$ | TREE SPECIES | Various | Groups 1， 2 \＆ $5^{+}$maintain continuous canopy |
| あ | PARKWAY LAWN | Varies | Minimum 8 ft ． |
| 知 | STORMWATER BMP＇S | No | Allowed－Porous Pavement ${ }^{+}$ |
| 宸 | WATER FEATURES | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| $\infty$ | ARTWORK \＆ORNAMENTATION | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| ■ | MEMORIALS \＆MONUMENTS | No | Not Appropriate；By Park Board Approval |
| U | WAYFINDING \＆SIGNAGE | No | Yes，＂de－clutter＂\＆consolidate signage＊ |
| － | BANNERS／HANGING BASKETS | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| 2 | PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
|  | STREET FURNISHINGS | No | By Administrative Approval |

＊Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section，pg．x for further information．
＋Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information／definition．


## SEGMENT 2 | DHR PARK BCDEEARD <br> \{S 24th St to S 15th St \}

LEGEND


## Approx. Length Right of Way Width Adjacent Land Use Important Considerations

3,700 If
100 ft .
Residential, Institutional, Park/Open Space
This segment represent a remnant of the historic system. Preserve historic architecture such as the Vinton School.

Restore parkway lawn and building setback in areas where private property/fencing has expanded beyond.
Preserve/restore mature tree canopy rhythm per recommendations.
Provide needed maintenance of roadway and sidewalks.
Preserve the character of the boulevard and neighborhood.
Interstate 80 is highly visible the boulevard and park.
Opportunities Enhanced intersection at 20th St/Spring Lake Dr to include special feature and wayfinding/signage to connect to Spring Lake Park.

## CIDBINE RECCMMENDAQS



* Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section, pg. x for further information.
+ Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information/definition.





## FLCRENCE BCUEMARD

Florence Boulevard was the first constructed boulevard in the system as envisioned by H.W.S. Cleveland. The picturesque corridor was once called "The Prettiest Mile in Omaha Boulevard," with its arching Sycamore trees, attractive home frontages and views of the Missouri River valley. The boulevard now expands into a more urban context and is used not only for residential/ pleasure driving, but also for light industrial traffic.

Florence Boulevard provides an important connection from the urban core to Creighton University as well as Kountze and Miller Parks.


## SEGMENT 1| FLCRENTE BCDERARD <br> \{Cass St to Charles St \}

LEGEND


Length 3,500 If

Right of Way Width
Adjacent Land Use
Average Daily Traffic

Important Considerations

75 ft .
Residential, Commercial, Industrial, Institutional
2,120 ADT along corridor
*20,888 ADT (primarily going East/West) on Cuming St.
Urban/Industrial portion of the system. This portion of Florence is a part of the City's Master Plan "Areas of Civic Importance" or ACI -1 District, Downtown-Like.

Creighton University provides a nice "entrance" to the boulevard.
On a Metro Bus Route. Major transit stops could be improved to enhance accessibility and ridership.

This segment may be converted from one-way to two-way.
Opportunities Converting portions of Florence Blvd will require re-striping of the roadway and may provide an opportunity to install sharrows, as appropriate.

A stronger pedestrian vocabulary to the street should be encouraged to relate to Creighton University.

| Cy DRa NE RECOMNENDAMCNS |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CRITERIA |  | EXISTING CONDITION | RECOMMENDATION（if different from exist．） |
| Z | PAVEMENT WIDTH | 40 ft ． |  |
| ） | NO．OF THROUGH LANES | 2 |  |
| 山 | TRUCK TRAFFIC | Not Prohibited |  |
|  | ON－STREET PARKING | Yes－both sides |  |
| d | CURB RETURN RADIUS | 30 ft ． | 20 ft ．ideal（ $25 \mathrm{ft} . \mathrm{max}$ ．） |
| 3 | MAXIMUM SPEED | 30 mph |  |
| 4 | MEDIAN | No |  |
| $\bigcirc$ | SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS | Yes | Allowed－where warranted |
| ¢ | CROSSWALKS | Yes | Allowed－as appropriate＊ |
| $\geqslant$ | DRIVEWAYS／CURB CUTS | 35 ft ． |  |
| $\frac{8}{3}$ | TRAFFIC CALMING |  |  |
| 1 | BIKE FACILITIES | No | On－road，sharrow |
| 0 | BUILDING SETBACK | 20 ft ．setback |  |
| $\stackrel{1}{\prime}$ | STREET LIGHTING | Cobra－head， 150 ft ．spacing | Update＊ |
| V | UTILITIES | Below ground | Prohibited－utility boxes \＆overhead lines |
| $\underline{\square}$ | FENCING | Nothing in front of setback line |  |
| 2 | SIDEWALKS | 7 ft ．（west） 4 ft ．（east） | Both sides－minimum 5 ft ． |
| ज | TRAILS | No |  |
|  | STREET TREE CONFIGURATION | Symmetrical，evenly spaced at Creighton University only | Symmetrical tree plantings；max． 40 ft ． spacing ${ }^{+}$throughout |
| U | TREE SPECIES | Various | Groups 1 thru 4， $6^{+}$maintain continuous canopy |
| 寝 | PARKWAY LAWN | 0－7 ft． | Minimum 6 ft ． |
| に | STORMWATER BMP＇S | No | Allowed－Porous Pavement ${ }^{+}$ |
| 宸 | WATER FEATURES | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| $\infty$ | ARTWORK \＆ORNAMENTATION | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| 山 | MEMORIALS \＆MONUMENTS | No | Not Appropriate；By Park Board Approval |
| S | WAYFINDING \＆SIGNAGE | No | Yes－＂de－clutter＂\＆consolidate signage＊ |
| 0 | BANNERS／HANGING BASKETS | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| 2 | PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING | Acorn at Creighton Univ． | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| － | STREET FURNISHINGS | No | By Administrative Approval |

＊Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section，pg．x for further information．
＋Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information／definition．


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# SEGMENT $2 \mid$ FLCRENE BCDENARD <br> \{Charles St to Ames Ave\} <br> LEGEND <br>  <br> ■■■■■ Boulevard Connector 



Florence Blvd and 20th Street may be converted to two-way traffic. As a result, the intersection of Florence and Ohio Street will be converted to 90 degree turns and will require wayfinding through intersections.
Opportunities
Converting portions of Florence Blvd

9,850 If
100 ft .
Residential, Commercial, Industrial
3,243 ADT along corridor
This portion of Florence is a part of the "Areas of Civic Importance" or ACI -1 District, Downtown-Like. will require re-striping of the roadway and may provide an opportunity to install sharrows, as appropriate.

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CRITERIA |  | EXISTING CONDITION | RECOMMENDATION（if different from exist．） |
| Z | PAVEMENT WIDTH | 40 ft ． |  |
| O | NO．OF THROUGH LANES | 2 |  |
| U | TRUCK TRAFFIC | Not Prohibited | Prohibited |
| 0 | ON－STREET PARKING | Yes－both sides |  |
| 安 | CURB RETURN RADIUS | 30 ft ． | 20 ft ．ideal（ 25 ft ．max．） |
| 3 | MAXIMUM SPEED | 30 mph |  |
| － | MEDIAN | No |  |
| $\bigcirc$ | SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS | Yes | Allowed－where warranted |
| $\infty$ | CROSSWALKS | Yes | Allowed－as appropriate＊ |
| $\geqslant$ | DRIVEWAYS／CURB CUTS | 20 ft ． | Maximum 15 ft ． |
| $\frac{4}{3}$ | TRAFFIC CALMING |  |  |
| 4 | BIKE FACILITIES | No | On－road，sharrow |
| $\bigcirc$ | BUILDING SETBACK | 20 ft ． | Minimum 30 ft ． |
| ト | STREET LIGHTING | Cobra－head， 150 ft ．spacing | Update＊ |
| ¢ | UTILITIES | Below ground | Prohibited－utility boxes \＆overhead lines |
| $\overline{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}$ | FENCING | In front of setback line | Nothing in front of setback line |
| $\boldsymbol{z}$ | SIDEWALKS | Both sides－width varies | Both sides－minimum 5 ft ． |
| ज | TRAILS | No |  |
| 岗 | STREET TREE CONFIGURATION | Symmetrical，lack of continuous canopy | Symmetrical tree plantings；max． 40 ft ． spacing ${ }^{+}$throughout |
| $\stackrel{\text { U }}{ }$ | TREE SPECIES | Various | Groups 1 thru $4^{+}$maintain continuous canopy |
| 寝 | PARKWAY LAWN | Varies | Minimum 6 ft ． |
| 官 | STORMWATER BMP＇S | No | Allowed－Porous Pavement ${ }^{+}$ |
| 宸 | WATER FEATURES | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| $\infty$ | ARTWORK \＆ORNAMENTATION | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| 山 | MEMORIALS \＆MONUMENTS | No | Not Appropriate；By Park Board Approval |
| S | WAYFINDING \＆SIGNAGE | No | Yes－＂de－clutter＂\＆consolidate signage＊ |
| ロ | BANNERS／HANGING BASKETS | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| Z | PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| $\pm$ | STREET FURNISHINGS | No | By Administrative Approval |

＊Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section，pg．x for further information．
＋Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information／definition．


## SEGMENT 3 | FLCRENCE BCDENAR <br> \{Ames Ave to Laurel Ave\}

LEGEND

| Wayfinding |
| :--- |
| (signage, pavement |
| markings, etc.) |
| Park/Open Space |
| Historic Boulevard |

Boulevard Connector

| CP DR\｜NE RECQMA |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CRITERIA |  | EXISTING CONDITION | RECOMMENDATION（if different from exist．） |
| z | PAVEMENT WIDTH | 40 ft ． |  |
| O | NO．OF THROUGH LANES | 2 |  |
| 山 | TRUCK TRAFFIC | Not Prohibited | Prohibited |
| 0 | ON－STREET PARKING | Yes－both sides |  |
| ＜ | CURB RETURN RADIUS | 30 ft ． | 20 ft ．ideal（ 25 ft ．max．） |
| 3 | MAXIMUM SPEED | 30 mph | 25 mph |
| 4 | MEDIAN | No |  |
| 0 | SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS | No |  |
| $\infty$ | CROSSWALKS | Yes | Allowed－as appropriate＊ |
| $\geqslant$ | DRIVEWAYS／CURB CUTS | 20 ft ． | Maximum 12 ft ． |
| 3 | TRAFFIC CALMING |  |  |
| 1 | BIKE FACILITIES | No | On－road，sharrow |
| 0 | BUILDING SETBACK | Varies | 30 ft ． |
| F | STREET LIGHTING | Cobra－head， 150 ft ．spacing | Update＊ |
| ¢ | UTILITIES | Below ground | Prohibited－utility boxes \＆overhead lines |
| $\bar{\square}$ | FENCING | Nothing in front of setback line |  |
| $\geq$ | SIDEWALKS | One side－width varies | One side－minimum 5 ft ． |
| $\cdots$ | TRAILS | No |  |
| い | STREET TREE CONFIGURATION | Symmetrical，lack of continuous canopy | Symmetrical tree plantings；max． 40 ft ． spacing ${ }^{+}$throughout |
| U | TREE SPECIES | Various | Groups 1 thru $4^{+}$maintain continuous canopy |
| 耑 | PARKWAY LAWN | Varies | Minimum 7 ft ． |
| 耍 | STORMWATER BMP＇S | No | Allowed－Porous Pavement ${ }^{+}$ |
| 宸 | WATER FEATURES | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| ヵ | ARTWORK \＆ORNAMENTATION | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| 山 | MEMORIALS \＆MONUMENTS | No | Not Appropriate；By Park Board Approval |
| ¢ | WAYFINDING \＆SIGNAGE | No | Yes－＂de－clutter＂\＆consolidate signage＊ |
| $\stackrel{\sim}{0}$ | BANNERS／HANGING BASKETS | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| 2 | PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| 」 | STREET FURNISHINGS | No | By Administrative Approval |

＊Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section，pg．x for further information．
＋Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information／definition．

＂Because of its scenic，level course and the fact that the roadbed was not broken up by street railway trackage， the boulevard was described in 1895 as＇the only suitable driveway in the city．＇＂
－Omaha Planning Dept．
Omaha＇s Historic Park \＆
Boulevard System Pamphlet

## SEGMENT 4 | F-CRENEE BCDENRD <br> \{Laurel Ave to Read St \}

## LEGEND



## Length 4,000 If

Additional 3,500 If connector through Miller Park to Florence Blvd

Right of Way Width
Adjacent Land Use
Important Considerations

100 ft .
Residential
Most recognizable segment of Florence Boulevard requiring little enhancement. Maintenance and preservation of existing features are most important to this segment.
Preserve continuity of central median by prohibiting acceleration or deceleration lanes.

Opportunities
A more defined connection to (and through) Miller Park through the use of wayfinding and signage, see Wayfinding and Identification in section 4 for futher information.

| CH DR\｜NE RECQNMENDANCNS |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CRITERIA |  | EXISTING CONDITION | RECOMMENDATION（if different from exist．） |
| Z | PAVEMENT WIDTH | 24 ft ．either side of median |  |
| － | NO．OF THROUGH LANES | 1 either side of median |  |
| 山 | TRUCK TRAFFIC | Prohibited |  |
| － | ON－STREET PARKING | Yes－both sides |  |
| ¢ | CURB RETURN RADIUS | 25 ft ． | 20 ft ．ideal（ $25 \mathrm{ft} . \mathrm{max}$ ．） |
| 3 | MAXIMUM SPEED | 30 mph | 25 mph |
| 4 | MEDIAN | Yes－ $22 \mathrm{ft} .\left(\begin{array}{l}\text { north）} \\ 43 \mathrm{ft} \text { ．（south）}\end{array}\right.$ |  |
| $\bigcirc$ | SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS | No |  |
| $\infty$ | CROSSWALKS | No | Allowed－as appropriate＊ |
| $\geqslant$ | DRIVEWAYS／CURB CUTS | 20 ft ． | Maximum 12 ft ． |
| $\frac{4}{3}$ | TRAFFIC CALMING |  |  |
| 4 | BIKE FACILITIES | No | On－road，sharrow |
| $\bigcirc$ | BUILDING SETBACK | Varies | 40 ft ． |
| ト | STREET LIGHTING | Cobra－head， 150 ft ．spacing | Update＊ |
| ¢ | UTILITIES | Below ground | Prohibited－utility boxes \＆overhead lines |
| $\overline{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}$ | FENCING | Nothing in front of setback line |  |
| Z | SIDEWALKS | Both sides－width varies | Both sides－minimum 5 ft ． |
| ज | TRAILS | No |  |
| 岗 | STREET TREE CONFIGURATION | Evenly spaced within median and parkway in some areas | Symmetrical tree plantings；max． 40 ft ． spacing ${ }^{+}$where gaps exist |
| $\stackrel{\text { U }}{ }$ | TREE SPECIES | Various，Catalpa dominant | Groups 1 thru $5^{+}$maintain continuous canopy |
| 崖 | PARKWAY LAWN | 9 ft ．（west） 12 ft ．（east） |  |
| 它 | STORMWATER BMP＇S | No | Allowed－Porous Pavement ${ }^{+}$ |
| 宸 | WATER FEATURES | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| $\infty$ | ARTWORK \＆ORNAMENTATION | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| 山 | MEMORIALS \＆MONUMENTS | No | Not Appropriate；By Park Board Approval |
| S | WAYFINDING \＆SIGNAGE | No | Yes－＂de－clutter＂\＆consolidate signage＊ |
| ロ | BANNERS／HANGING BASKETS | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| Z | PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| 」 | STREET FURNISHINGS | No | By Administrative Approval |

＊Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section，pg．x for further information．
＋Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information／definition．


## SEGMENT 5 | FLCRENCE BCURARD

\{Read St to Minne Lusa Blvd\}
LEGEND


Length 1,800 If

Right of Way Width Adjacent Land Use
Important Considerations
100 ft . (Read to 24th); 200 ft . (24th to Minne Lusa)
Residential
Rural-like segment of Florence Blvd with a wide right-of-way and very park-like feel to be preserved.

Low density residential housing.
Opportunities Connection to Minne Lusa Blvd on Wyoming St., see Wayfindig and Identification (Section 4) for further information.
Priority Improvements Include:
" Wayfinding and Identity
» Street lighting updates

| CRITERIA |  | EXISTING CONDITION | RECOMMENDATION (if different from exist.) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $z$ | PAVEMENT WIDTH | 30 ft . |  |
| - | NO. OF THROUGH LANES | 2 |  |
| Ш | TRUCK TRAFFIC | Prohibited |  |
|  | ON-STREET PARKING | No |  |
| S | CURB RETURN RADIUS | 25 ft . | 20 ft . ideal (25 ft. max.) |
| 3 | MAXIMUM SPEED | 30 mph | 30 mph |
| 4 | MEDIAN | No |  |
| $\bigcirc$ | SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS | No |  |
| $\infty$ | CROSSWALKS | No | Allowed - as appropriate* |
| $\geqslant$ | DRIVEWAYS / CURB CUTS | 20 ft . | Maximum 12 ft . |
| \$ | TRAFFIC CALMING |  |  |
| 1 | BIKE FACILITIES | No | No |
| $\bigcirc$ | BUILDING SETBACK | Varies | 40 ft . |
| ' | STREET LIGHTING | Cobra-head, 150 ft . spacing | Update* |
| $\underline{\square}$ | UTILITIES | Below ground | Prohibited - utility boxes \& overhead lines |
| $\boldsymbol{\sim}$ | FENCING | Nothing in front of setback line |  |
| $z$ | SIDEWALKS | Both sides - width varies | Both sides - minimum 5 ft . |
| 즈N | TRAILS | No |  |
| 岗 | STREET TREE CONFIGURATION | Symmetrical, evenly spaced tree plantings | Symmetrical tree plantings; max. 40 ft . spacing ${ }^{+}$where gaps exist |
| U | TREE SPECIES | Various | Groups 1 thru $5^{+}$maintain continuous canopy |
| F | PARKWAY LAWN | Varies | Minimum 30 ft . |
| エ | STORMWATER BMP'S | No | Allowed - Porous Pavement, Rain Gardens, Bioretention ${ }^{+}$ |
| ¢ | WATER FEATURES | No | By Public Arts Comm. \& Park Board Approval |
| $\infty$ | ARTWORK \& ORNAMENTATION | No | By Public Arts Comm. \& Park Board Approval |
| 0 | MEMORIALS \& MONUMENTS | No | Not Appropriate; By Park Board Approval |
| U | WAYFINDING \& SIGNAGE | No | Yes - "de-clutter" \& consolidate signage* |
| $\bigcirc$ | BANNERS/HANGING BASKETS | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| 4 | PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
|  | STREET FURNISHINGS | No | By Administrative Approval |

* Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section, pg. x for further information.
+ Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information/definition.





## FCNIENB IE BCUEARD

## "Broad parkings and pleasant homes set back among the trees."

(Omaha's Historic Park and Boulevard System Pamphlet, 1992)
Fontenelle Blvd as described in 1926 still applies today. As originally conceived, the boulevard provides a direct route connecting Florence Blvd / Miller Park/Belvedere Blvd, to Fontenelle Park, to Happy Hollow Blvd.

While much of its beauty has been preserved, traffic function and needs have changed. In particular, this boulevard sees a large number of motorists daily, which also means it is the most likely to require improvements. Improvements will be held to a high standard of preservation and restoration, and may provide opportunities to incorporate Green Streets standards as appropriate.

\{Curtis Ave/Belvedere Blvd to Sorenson Pkwy\}
LEGEND


Approx. Length Right of Way Width Adjacent Land Use Average Daily Traffic

## Important Considerations

Opportunities

3,150 If
100 ft . to 150 ft .
Residential
8,617 ADT along corridor segment

* 11,498 at Curtis Ave/Belvedere Blvd intersection
* 32,466 at Sorenson Pkwy intersection
(Source: City of Omaha Public Works Department Traffic Counts, Dec. 2011)
Preserve Parklawn width, restore where parking stalls have encroached.
Preserve the character of the boulevard and neighborhood
Proposed bike lanes in the Omaha Master Plan Transportation Element.
Enhanced intersection at Fontenelle Blvd to include special feature and wayfinding/signage. (see glossary for futher information/ definition)

| CH DR\｜NE RECQNMENDANCNS |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CRITERIA |  | EXISTING CONDITION | RECOMMENDATION（if different from exist．） |
| Z | PAVEMENT WIDTH | 28 ft ． |  |
| U | NO．OF THROUGH LANES | 2 |  |
| ज | TRUCK TRAFFIC | Prohibited |  |
| 0 | ON－STREET PARKING | No | Parallel parking－one side |
| $\geqslant$ | CURB RETURN RADIUS | 25 ft ． |  |
| 3 | MAXIMUM SPEED | 30 mph |  |
| 0 | MEDIAN | No |  |
| 8 | SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS | Yes | Allowed－where warranted |
| $\boldsymbol{\sim}$ | CROSSWALKS | Yes | Allowed－as appropriate＊ |
| $\infty$ | DRIVEWAYS／CURB CUTS | 30 ft ． | Maximum 12 ft ． |
| $\frac{8}{3}$ | TRAFFIC CALMING |  | Reduce lanes to 10 ft ．width；add parallel parking to one side |
| ■ | BIKE FACILITIES | No | Sidepath |
| － | BUILDING SETBACK | Varies | Minimum 30 ft ． |
| T | STREET LIGHTING | Cobra－head， 150 ft ．spacing | Update＊ |
| $\underline{\sim}$ | UTILITIES | Below ground | Prohibited－utility boxes \＆overhead lines |
|  | FENCING | In front of setback line | Nothing in front of setback line |
| $\underset{\sim}{\mathbf{Z}}$ | SIDEWALKS | Both sides－ 5 ft ． |  |
| $\bar{\sim}$ | TRAILS | No |  |
| 岗 | STREET TREE CONFIGURATION | Symmetrical，evenly spaced tree plantings | Symmetrical tree plantings；max． 40 ft ． spacing ${ }^{+}$where gaps exist |
| － | TREE SPECIES | Various | Groups 1， 2 \＆ $5^{+}$maintain continuous canopy |
| 荘 | PARKWAY LAWN | 18 ft. （west） 14 ft ．（east） |  |
| 耍 | STORMWATER BMP＇S | No | Allowed－Porous Pavement ${ }^{+}$ |
| 山 | WATER FEATURES | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| $\infty$ | ARTWORK \＆ORNAMENTATION | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| 山 | MEMORIALS \＆MONUMENTS | No | Not Appropriate，By Park Board Approval |
| U | WAYFINDING \＆SIGNAGE | No | Yes－＂de－clutter＂\＆consolidate signage＊ |
| $\cdots$ | BANNERS／HANGING BASKETS | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| 2 | PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| 」 | STREET FURNISHINGS | No | By Administrative Approval |

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## SEGMENT 2 | FCNIENEIE BCDERARD <br> \{Sorenson Pkwy to Fort St\}

LEGEND


Approx. Length 2,050 If
Right of Way Width 100 ft .
Adjacent Land Use Residential
Average Daily Traffic $\quad 8,163$ ADT along corridor segment

* 32,466 at Sorenson Pkwy intersection
* 12,968 at 42nd St intersection
(Source: City of Omaha Public Works Department Traffic Counts, Dec. 2011)


## Important Considerations

Preserve Parklawn width, restore where parking stalls have encroached.

Preserve the character of the boulevard and neighborhood.
Opportunities Proposed bike lanes in the Omaha Master Plan Transportation Element

| CRITERIA |  | EXISTING CONDITION | RECOMMENDATION（if different from exist．） |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7 | PAVEMENT WIDTH | 28 ft ． |  |
| $\cdots$ | NO．OF THROUGH LANES | 2 |  |
| 0 | TRUCK TRAFFIC | Prohibited |  |
| － | ON－STREET PARKING | No | Parallel parking－one side |
| $\geqslant$ | CURB RETURN RADIUS | 25 ft ． |  |
| 3 | MAXIMUM SPEED | 30 mph |  |
| 0 | MEDIAN | No |  |
| 0 | SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS | Yes | Allowed－where warranted |
| $\underline{\square}$ | CROSSWALKS | Yes | Allowed－as appropriate＊ |
| $\infty$ | DRIVEWAYS／CURB CUTS | 30 ft ． | Maximum 12 ft ． |
| 3 | TRAFFIC CALMING |  | Reduce lanes to 10 ft ．width；add parallel parking to one side |
| U | BIKE FACILITIES | No | Sidepath |
| － | BUILDING SETBACK | Varies | 30 ft ． |
| I | STREET LIGHTING | Cobra－head， 150 ft ．spacing | Update＊ |
| $\underline{\square}$ | UTILITIES | Below ground | Prohibited－utility boxes \＆overhead lines |
|  | FENCING | In front of setback line | Nothing in front of setback line |
| $z$ | SIDEWALKS | Both sides－ 4 ft ． | Minimum 5 ft ． |
| $\bar{\square}$ | TRAILS | No |  |
| 山 | STREET TREE CONFIGURATION | Symmetrical，evenly spaced tree plantings | Symmetrical tree plantings；max． 40 ft ． spacing ${ }^{+}$where gaps exist |
| U | TREE SPECIES | Various | Groups 1， 2 \＆ $5^{+}$maintain continuous canopy |
| 耑 | PARKWAY LAWN | 18 ft ．（north） 12 ft ．（south） |  |
| G | STORMWATER BMP＇S | No | Allowed－Porous Pavement ${ }^{+}$ |
| 山 | WATER FEATURES | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| $\infty$ | ARTWORK \＆ORNAMENTATION | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| 山 | MEMORIALS \＆MONUMENTS | No | Not Appropriate，By Park Board Approval |
| S | WAYFINDING \＆SIGNAGE | No | Yes－＂de－clutter＂\＆consolidate signage＊ |
| 0 | BANNERS／HANGING BASKETS | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| $\underline{2}$ | PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| J | STREET FURNISHINGS | No | By Administrative Approval |

＊Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section，pg．x for further information．
＋Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information／definition．


## SEGMENT 3 | FCNIENEIE BCDENRD

\{Fort St to Ames Ave\}
LEGEND


| Approx. Length | 2,800 If |
| ---: | :--- |
| Right of Way Width | 120 ft . to 130 ft. |
| Adjacent Land Use | Residential |
| Average Daily Traffic | 9,653 ADT along corridor segment |
|  | $* 12,968$ at 42 nd St intersection |
|  | $* 29,030$ at Ames Ave intersection |
|  | (Source: City of Omaha Public Works Department Traffic Counts, Dec. 2011) |
| Important Considerations | Preserve Parkway lawn, restore where parking stalls have |
|  | encroached. |
|  | Preserve the character of the boulevard and neighborhood. |
| Opportunities | Proposed bike facilities in the Transportation Element |


| CRITERIA |  | EXISTING CONDITION | RECOMMENDATION（if different from exist．） |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | PAVEMENT WIDTH | 28 ft ． |  |
| $\cdots$ | NO．OF THROUGH LANES | 2 |  |
| O | TRUCK TRAFFIC | Prohibited |  |
| 0 | ON－STREET PARKING | No | Parallel parking－one side |
| $\geqslant$ | CURB RETURN RADIUS | 25 ft ． |  |
| 3 | MAXIMUM SPEED | 30 mph |  |
| 0 | MEDIAN | No |  |
| 0 | SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS | Yes | Allowed－where warranted |
| $\underline{\square}$ | CROSSWALKS | Yes | Allowed－as appropriate＊ |
| $\infty$ | DRIVEWAYS／CURB CUTS | 18 ft ． | Maximum 12 ft ． |
| $\frac{8}{3}$ | TRAFFIC CALMING |  | Reduce lanes to 10 ft ．width；add parallel parking to one side |
| い | BIKE FACILITIES | No | Sidepath |
| － | BUILDING SETBACK | Varies | 12 ft ． |
| I | STREET LIGHTING | Cobra－head， 150 ft ．spacing | Update＊ |
| $\underline{\sim}$ | UTILITIES | Below ground | Prohibited－utility boxes \＆overhead lines |
|  | FENCING | In front of setback line | Nothing in front of setback line |
| $z$ | SIDEWALKS | Both sides－ 4 ft ． | Minimum 5 ft ． |
| $\bar{\sim}$ | TRAILS | No |  |
| 岗 | STREET TREE CONFIGURATION | Symmetrical，evenly spaced tree plantings | Symmetrical tree plantings；max． 40 ft ． spacing ${ }^{+}$where gaps exist |
| U | TREE SPECIES | Various | Groups 1， 2 \＆ $5^{+}$maintain continuous canopy |
| $\stackrel{\text { w }}{\text { ¢ }}$ | PARKWAY LAWN | 22 ft ．（west） 14 ft ．（east） |  |
| 灾 | STORMWATER BMP＇S | No | Allowed－Porous Pavement ${ }^{+}$ |
| 岸 | WATER FEATURES | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| $\infty$ | ARTWORK \＆ORNAMENTATION | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| い | MEMORIALS \＆MONUMENTS | No | Not Appropriate，By Park Board Approval |
| S | WAYFINDING \＆SIGNAGE | No | Yes－＂de－clutter＂\＆consolidate signage＊ |
| 0 | BANNERS／HANGING BASKETS | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| 2 | PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| J | STREET FURNISHINGS | No | By Administrative Approval |

＊Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section，pg．x for further information．
＋Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information／definition．


## SEGMENT 4| FCDIENE EF BCDENRD <br> \{Ames Ave to Pratt St \}

LEGEND


| CRITERIA |  | EXISTING CONDITION | RECOMMENDATION（if different from exist．） |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7 | PAVEMENT WIDTH | 28 ft ． |  |
| $\cdots$ | NO．OF THROUGH LANES | 2 |  |
| 0 | TRUCK TRAFFIC | Prohibited |  |
| － | ON－STREET PARKING | No | Parallel parking－one side |
| $\geqslant$ | CURB RETURN RADIUS | 25 ft ． |  |
| 3 | MAXIMUM SPEED | 30 mph |  |
| 0 | MEDIAN | No |  |
| 0 | SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS | No | Allowed－where warranted |
| $\underline{\square}$ | CROSSWALKS | No | Allowed－as appropriate＊ |
| $\infty$ | DRIVEWAYS／CURB CUTS | 30 ft ． | Maximum 20 ft ． |
| 3 | TRAFFIC CALMING |  | Reduce lanes to 10 ft ．width；add parallel parking to one side |
| ！ | BIKE FACILITIES | No | Sidepath |
| － | BUILDING SETBACK | 100 ft ． |  |
| I | STREET LIGHTING | Cobra－head， 150 ft ．spacing | Update＊ |
| $\underline{\square}$ | UTILITIES | Below ground | Prohibited－utility boxes \＆overhead lines |
|  | FENCING | Nothing in front of setback line | Nothing in front of setback line |
| $z$ | SIDEWALKS | One side－ 4 ft ． | Minimum 6 ft ． |
| $\bar{\square}$ | TRAILS | No | Encouraged as part of recreation， 10 ft ．wide |
| Ш | STREET TREE CONFIGURATION | Naturalistic spacing of trees |  |
| U | TREE SPECIES | Various | Groups 1 thru $5^{+}$，maintain continuous canopy throughout |
| 堊 | PARKWAY LAWN | 4 ft ． | 8 ft ． |
| G | STORMWATER BMP＇S | No | Allowed－Porous Pavement ${ }^{+}$ |
| 山 | WATER FEATURES | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| $\infty$ | ARTWORK \＆ORNAMENTATION | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| 山 | MEMORIALS \＆MONUMENTS | No | Not Appropriate，By Park Board Approval |
| S | WAYFINDING \＆SIGNAGE | No | Yes－＂de－clutter＂\＆consolidate signage＊ |
| 0 | BANNERS／HANGING BASKETS | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| $\underline{2}$ | PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| J | STREET FURNISHINGS | No | By Administrative Approval |

＊Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section，pg．x for further information．
＋Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information／definition．


# SEGMENT 5 | FCDIENE【E BCDENRD <br> \{Pratt St to NW Radial Hwy\} 

LEGEND


## Approx. Length Right of Way Width Adjacent Land Use Average Daily Traffic <br> Important Considerations

4,215 If
150 ft .
Residential
10,795 ADT along corridor segment

* 13,628 at Pratt St intersection
* 16,586 at Bedford Ave intersection
* 12,662 at Maple St intersection
* 35,832 at NW Radial Hwy intersection
(Source: City of Omaha Public Works Department Traffic Counts, Dec. 2011)
Preserve Parklawn width, restore where parking stalls have encroached.
Preserve the character of the boulevard and neighborhood.
Intersections greater than 12,000 ADT may be candidates for future traffic improvements. These improvements should provide the most appropriate solution to preserve or enhance the historic boulevard and/or right-of-way. Round-a-bouts and removal of parkway lawn for additional pavement are not appropriate solutions.

Installation of new sidewalk and stormwater BMP's as part of the Combined Sewer Overflow Program improvements.

| C\| DRa NE RECOMMENDAMCNS |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | CRITERIA | EXISTING CONDITION | RECOMMENDATION (if different from exist.) |
| $\underset{i}{Z}$ | PAVEMENT WIDTH | 28 ft . |  |
|  | NO. OF THROUGH LANES | 2 |  |
|  | TRUCK TRAFFIC | Prohibited |  |
| 山 | ON-STREET PARKING | No | Parallel parking - one side; eliminate parking within parkway lawn |
| \% | CURB RETURN RADIUS | 25 ft . |  |
| 3 | MAXIMUM SPEED | 30 mph |  |
| - | MEDIAN | No |  |
| $\bigcirc$ | SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS | Yes | Allowed - where warranted |
| $\infty$ | CROSSWALKS | Yes | Allowed - as appropriate* |
| $\geqslant$ | DRIVEWAYS / CURB CUTS | 30 ft . | Maximum 20 ft . |
| 3 | TRAFFIC CALMING |  | Reduce lanes to 10 ft . width; add parallel parking to one side |
| O | BIKE FACILITIES | No | Sidepath |
| - | BUILDING SETBACK | 30 ft . (west) 45 ft . (east) |  |
| ¢ | STREET LIGHTING | Cobra-head, 150 ft . spacing | Update* |
| $\bar{\square}$ | UTILITIES | Below ground | Prohibited - utility boxes \& overhead lines |
|  | FENCING | Nothing in front of setback line | Nothing in front of setback line |
| z | SIDEWALKS | Both sides - 4 ft . | Minimum 5 ft . |
| U | TRAILS | No | Encouraged as part of bike facilities, 10 ft . wide |
| 岗 | STREET TREE CONFIGURATION | Symmetrical, evenly spaced tree plantings | Symmetrical tree plantings; max. 40 ft . spacing ${ }^{+}$where gaps exist |
| U | TREE SPECIES | Various | Groups 1 thru $5^{+}$, maintain continuous canopy throughout |
| ㅍ | PARKWAY LAWN | 30 ft. (west) 40 ft . (east) | Minimum 30 ft . |
| ¢ | STORMWATER BMP'S | No | Allowed - Porous Pavement ${ }^{+}$ |
| ¢ | WATER FEATURES | No | By Public Arts Comm. \& Park Board Approval |
| $\infty$ | ARTWORK \& ORNAMENTATION | No | By Public Arts Comm. \& Park Board Approval |
| - | MEMORIALS \& MONUMENTS | No | Not Appropriate, By Park Board Approval |
| U | WAYFINDING \& SIGNAGE | No | Yes - "de-clutter" \& consolidate signage* |
| $\bigcirc$ | BANNERS/HANGING BASKETS | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| 4 | PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
|  | STREET FURNISHINGS | No | By Administrative Approval |

* Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section, pg. x for further information.
+ Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information/definition.



# SEGMENT 6 | FCDIENEIE BCDENRD <br> \{NW Radial Hwy to Military Ave\} 

## LEGEND



Approx. Length

Right of Way Width

## Adjacent Land Use

Average Daily Traffic

1,075 If
Additional 1,800 If NW Radial Connector to Happy Hollow Blvd
Additional 5,250 If Military Ave Connector to Mercer Blvd/Walnut Hill Park

160 ft .
Residential/Commercial/Mixed-Use
No data available for Fontenelle Segment.
32,486 ADT along NW Radial Connector

* 35,832 at NW Radial Hwy intersection
* 36,418 at Decatur St/Happy Hollow Blvd intersection
(Source: City of Omaha Public Works Department Traffic Counts, Dec. 2011)


## Important Considerations

Preserve Parklawn width as it creates visual continuity along corridor. Preserve the character of the boulevard and neighborhood.

Intersections greater than 12,000 ADT may be candidates for future traffic improvements. These improvements should provide the most appropriate solution to preserve or enhance the historic boulevard and/or right-of-way. Round-a-bouts and removal of parkway lawn for additional pavement are not appropriate solutions.


* Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section, pg. x for further information.
+ Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information/definition.





## IANBCCMBCUEARD

Hanscom was the second link in the historic Omaha Boulevard system. It was designed to connect the city's first two parks, Hanscom and Riverview. Hanscom Park was designed by H.W.S. Cleveland the originator of the Boulevard System concept. The corridor runs largely through residential property and has some unique characteristics.

The tree plantings in one section are a combination of evergreens and deciduous street trees, an unusual approach. There is a median in the southern segment that divides two, two-way streets rather than the characteristic one-way pair.


## SEGMENT $1 \mid$ I- ANBCDMBCDIEARD

\{Woolworth Ave to Ed Creighton Ave\}

## LEGEND



Approx. Length 3,000 If
Additional 700 If connector on Ed Creighton Ave
Right of Way Width
Varies
Adjacent Land Use

## Important Considerations

## Park/Open Space

Runs through picturesque Hanscom Park, one of the most intact designs as intended by H.W.S. Cleveland. The curvilinear alignment and varied topography provides framed views of park features and surrounding neighborhoods.
Preserve landform and passive recreation uses of the Park and Boulevard.
Opportunities A connection is needed along Ed Creighton Ave. Wayfinding and identification could provide the connection without requiring significant changes to roadway cross-section.

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* Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section, pg. x for further information.
** Refer to Approved Boulevard Plant List for further information.
+ Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information/definition.



## SEGMENT $2 \mid$ IMNBCCMBCDERARD

\{Ed Creighton Ave to Deer Park Blvd\}

## LEGEND



## Approx. Length <br> Right of Way Width <br> Adjacent Land Use <br> Important Considerations

4,000 If
100 ft . ( 180 ft . at divided portion)
Residential, Commercial, Park/Open Space
Wide right-of-way and deep setback of homes create spacious boulevard feel.
Tree replacement needed to restore rhythm of tree canopy, particularly in the south divided portion.
Wayfinding needed at Gold and Wright Streets to identify desired route.
Preserve the character of the boulevard and neighborhood

## Opportunities

If feasible and acceptable to residents, consider converting divided portion to one-way, encircling the median as was intended in original plan.

## GULEINERECOMMENAICS



* Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section, pg. x for further information.
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## -APPY FDICNBCIEARD

Providing a connection from Fontenelle Blvd to Elmwood Park, Happy Hollow remains one of the most intact boulevards with Cleveland's vision for Omaha's system of parks and boulevards. The gently winding road follows natural topography to highlight view of historic structures and beautiful natural features. Happy Hollow is the ideal setting for the architecturally stunning homes lining its sidewalks. The mature vegetation provides a lush and inviting atmosphere that announces arrival to a this special stretch of road that provides a balance of functionality and beauty.


## SEGMENT $1 \mid$ | $A P P Y|D| C N B C D E N D$ <br> \{NW Radial Hwy to Saddle Creek Rd\}

LEGEND


Approx. Length Right of Way Width Adjacent Land Use Average Daily Traffic

## Important Considerations

2,300 If
100 ft . to 250 ft .
Residential, Park/Open Space
1,674 ADT along corridor segment.

* 36,418 at Decatur St/Happy Hollow Blvd intersection
* 14,904 at N Saddle Creek Rd/Seward St/Country Club Ave
(Source: City of Omaha Public Works Department Traffic Counts, Dec. 2011)
Preserve the character of the boulevard and neighborhood. Happy Hollow has a distinct character because of its ornate furnishings, deep setback of homes, historic architecture and dense, mature tree canopy.

Adjacent open space creates a park-like drive. Maintain and preserve as an amenity for the neighborhood.
A connection/identification is needed from NW Radial Hwy onto Happy Hollow Blvd.
Improvements such as trails or multi-use paths must not detract from proportions and historic character of the boulevard.


* Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section, pg. x for further information.
+ Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information/definition.



# SEGMENT $2 \mid$ |-APPY HDICMMBDENAR <br> \{Saddle Creek Rd to Western Ave\} 

LEGEND


## Approx. Length Right of Way Width Adjacent Land Use Average Daily Traffic

Important Considerations

2,525 If
100 ft .
Residential, Park/Open Space
2,689 ADT along corridor segment.

* 14,904 at N Saddle Creek Rd/Seward St/Country Club Ave
* 11,048 at Western Ave/52nd St intersection
(Source: City of Omaha Public Works Department Traffic Counts, Dec. 2011)
Preserve the character of the boulevard and neighborhood. Happy Hollow has a distinct character because of its ornate furnishings, deep setback of homes, historic architecture and dense, mature tree canopy.
Increased setback of homes, curvilinear alignment and gentle topography create a park-like drive.
Careful design consideration of intersection improvements required. Improvements should not interrupt the character and geometry of the boulevard.
Wayfinding and identity to aid in navigating through the round-about at 50th St/Saddle Creek/Seward intersection.

* Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section, pg. x for further information.
+ Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information/definition.



## SEGMENT 3 | 1 MPPY HDICNBCDEARD <br> \{Western Ave to Underwood Ave\}

LEGEND

Approx. Length 2,120 IfAdjacent Land UseAverage Daily Traffic
Right of Way Width150 ft . to 280 ft .
Residential, Park/Open Space1,449 ADT along West corridor segment.4,726 ADT along East corridor segment.* 11,048 at Western Ave/52nd St intersection

* 12,088 (West Leg) at Underwood Ave* 17,690 (East Leg) at Underwood Ave
(Source: City of Omaha Public Works Department Traffic Counts, Dec. 2011)
Important Considerations
Preserve or restore Sunken Gardens as a feature along the boulevard.Iconic section of the system due to the wide expanse of the right-of-way and extensive mature vegetation.
Preserve the character of the boulevard and neighborhood. HappyHollow has a distinct character because of its ornate furnishings,deep setback of homes, historic architecture and dense, mature treecanopy.

GUIDELINE RECOMMENDATIONS:


* Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section, pg. x for further information.
+ Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information/definition.



## SEGMENT 4 | HPPY HDICNBCDIENRD

\{Underwood Ave to Leavenworth St \}
LEGEND

Approx. Length
Right of Way Width
Adjacent Land Use
Average Daily Traffic

5,710 If
80 ft . to 100 ft .
Residential, Park/Open Space
5,580 ADT along corridor segment

* 12,088 (West Leg) at Underwood Ave
* 17,690 (East Leg) at Underwood Ave
* 53,188 at Dodge St intersection
* 15,054 at Farnam St intersection
* 20,790 at Leavenworth St intersection
(Source: City of Omaha Public Works Department Traffic Counts, Dec. 2011)


## Important Considerations

Opportunities
Preserve scenic wooded drive adjacent to Elmwood Park. Homes are single loaded along this segment of Happy Hollow Blvd.
Wayfinding at intersection with Dodge St/Farnam St.
Preserve the character of the boulevard and neighborhood. Happy Hollow has a distinct character because of its ornate furnishings, deep setback of homes, historic architecture and dense, mature tree canopy. Connect east/west via the Harney Bikeway


* Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section, pg. x for further information.
+ Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information/definition.





## J CONCR日GITCNBCIRARD

John A. Creighton Boulevard is unique in that it was constructed through developed portions of the City, rather than ahead of development. Houses were actually taken to make room for the roadway. As the roadway travels through Adams Park, the original hairpin turns have been replaced by a straighter alignment. The switchback can still be identified as open area within the park and on aerial photography. Today the boulevard runs through residential and commercial land uses and is the one segment of boulevard where overhead power lines run along the corridor, perhaps having the most significant impact on it's historic integrity. John A. Creighton Blvd. is slated as a location for future combined sewer overflow work and the following recommendations are the basis for restoration.


# SEGMENT 1|JCHA CRE GTCDBCUEARD <br> \{Paxton Blvd to Bedford Ave/Adams Park\} 

LEGEND


Approx. Length Right of Way Width

Adjacent Land Use

## Important Considerations

3,015 If
150 ft .
Residential, Industrial, Park/Open Space
In need of maintenance of vegetation and hardscape.
Varied land uses, setbacks and structure style detract from the formality and continuity of the boulevard.

Opportunities Only portion of the system that carries overhead utilities parallel to street. Any opportunity to bury the utilities should be considered concurrent with improvements occurring within the right-of-way.

This portion of the boulevard lies within the Combined Sewer Overflow program, which includes possible installation of Green Solutions and/or BMP's.

The intersection of Paxton Blvd with John Creighton Blvd should incorporate special features that include wayfinding and identity.

| C｜DRa NE RECOMMENDAMCNS |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CRITERIA |  | EXISTING CONDITION | RECOMMENDATION（if different from exist．） |
| Z | PAVEMENT WIDTH | 30 ft ． |  |
| ） | NO．OF THROUGH LANES | 2 |  |
| U | TRUCK TRAFFIC | Not Prohibited | Prohibited |
| 0 | ON－STREET PARKING | No |  |
| ＜ | CURB RETURN RADIUS | 25 ft ． |  |
| 3 | MAXIMUM SPEED | 30 mph |  |
| 4 | MEDIAN | No |  |
| 0 | SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS | No |  |
| $\infty$ | CROSSWALKS | No | Allowed－as appropriate＊ |
| $\geqslant$ | DRIVEWAYS／CURB CUTS | Maximum 35 ft ． | Maximum 30 ft ． |
| 3 | TRAFFIC CALMING |  |  |
| 11 | BIKE FACILITIES | No | Expand existing west sidewalk to 10 ft ．wide |
| 0 | BUILDING SETBACK | Varies | Minimum 10 ft ． |
| ト | STREET LIGHTING | Cobra－head， 150 ft ．spacing | Update＊ |
| （1） | UTILITIES | Above ground | Prohibited－utility boxes \＆overhead lines |
| $\underline{\square}$ | FENCING | In front of setback | Nothing in front of setback line |
| $z$ | SIDEWALKS | 8 ft. （west） 6 ft ．（east） |  |
| $\cdots$ | TRAILS | Yes－ 8 ft ．width | Expand to 10 ft ．wide |
| U 0 0 | STREET TREE CONFIGURATION | Naturalistic spacing | Restore symmetrical tree plantings；max． 40 ft ． spacing ${ }^{+}$where gaps exist |
| U | TREE SPECIES | Various | Groups 1 thru 5＋，maintain continuous canopy |
|  | PARKWAY LAWN | 10 ft. （west） 34 ft ．（east） |  |
| 号 | STORMWATER BMP＇S | No | Allowed－porous pavement，rain gardens ${ }^{+}$ |
| 岸 | WATER FEATURES | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| $\infty$ | ARTWORK \＆ORNAMENTATION | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| 山 | MEMORIALS \＆MONUMENTS | No | By Park Board Approval |
| S | WAYFINDING \＆SIGNAGE | No | Yes－＂de－clutter＂\＆consolidate signage＊ |
| 0 | BANNERS／HANGING BASKETS | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| 2 | PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| S | STREET FURNISHINGS | No | By Administrative Approval |

＊Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section，pg．x for further information．
＋Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information／definition．


# SEGMENT 2| J C-NA aRE G TICNBCDEENRD <br> \{Bedford Ave/Adams Park to Maple St\} 

LEGEND


| Approx. Length | 2,600 If |
| ---: | :--- |
| Right of Way Width | Varies |
| Adjacent Land Use | Park/Open Space, Community Center |
| Important Considerations | Does not follow historic alignment. Due to the realignment of the <br> roadway, tree canopy is not present along much of the roadway. |
|  | This segment lies within Adams Park and provides access to Adams |
|  | Community Center. |


| CV DR，NE RECOMM |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CRITERIA |  | EXISTING CONDITION | RECOMMENDATION（if different from exist．） |
| Z | PAVEMENT WIDTH | 30 ft ． |  |
| $\underline{\sim}$ | NO．OF THROUGH LANES | 2 |  |
| 山 | TRUCK TRAFFIC | Not Prohibited | Prohibited |
| 0 | ON－STREET PARKING | No |  |
| S | CURB RETURN RADIUS | 35 ft ． | 25 ft ． |
| 3 | MAXIMUM SPEED | 30 mph |  |
| 4 | MEDIAN | No |  |
| $\bigcirc$ | SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS | No |  |
| $\infty$ | CROSSWALKS | No | Allowed－as appropriate＊ |
| $\rangle$ | DRIVEWAYS／CURB CUTS | Maximum 20 ft ． | Maximum 15 ft ． |
| 3 | TRAFFIC CALMING |  | Restore historic＂hairpin＂alignment |
| 1 | BIKE FACILITIES | No | One－road，sharrow |
| 0 | BUILDING SETBACK | 100 ft ． |  |
| 三 | STREET LIGHTING | Cobra－head， 150 ft ．spacing | Update＊ |
| $\stackrel{\square}{0}$ | UTILITIES | No | Prohibited－utility boxes \＆overhead lines |
| ロ | FENCING | No | Nothing in front of setback line |
| Z | SIDEWALKS | One side－ 6 ft ． |  |
| $\bar{\sim}$ | TRAILS | No | Encouraged as recreation－ 10 ft ．wide |
|  | STREET TREE CONFIGURATION | Naturalistic spacing | Restore symmetrical tree plantings；max． 40 ft ． spacing ${ }^{+}$where gaps exist |
| － | TREE SPECIES | Various | Groups 1 thru $5^{+}$，maintain continuous canopy |
| 耑 | PARKWAY LAWN | 6 ft ． |  |
| 怎 | STORMWATER BMP＇S | No | Allowed－porous pavement ${ }^{+}$ |
| 山 | WATER FEATURES | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| $\infty$ | ARTWORK \＆ORNAMENTATION | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| 山 | MEMORIALS \＆MONUMENTS | No | By Park Board Approval |
| S | WAYFINDING \＆SIGNAGE | No | Yes－＂de－clutter＂\＆consolidate signage＊ |
| $\stackrel{\sim}{0}$ | BANNERS／HANGING BASKETS | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| 2 | PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| $\pm$ | STREET FURNISHINGS | No | By Administrative Approval |

＊Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section，pg．x for further information．
＋Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information／definition．


# SEGMENT $3 \mid$ J CNA CRE GTCNBCDERAD <br> \{Maple St to Lake St\} 

LEGEND


Approx. Length Right of Way Width

Adjacent Land Use

## Important Considerations

Opportunities

1,775 If
Varies
Residential
This portion quickly winds through the grided street network without visual cues for wayfinding.

Informal section of boulevard, defined by sidewalks and parkway lawn rather than a consistent tree canopy.
Irregular right-of-way widths created by curvilinear alignment of roadway.

Wayfinding is necessary at Corby St as well as Ohio St.

| CRITERIA |  | EXISTING CONDITION | RECOMMENDATION（if different from exist．） |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Z | PAVEMENT WIDTH | 25 ft ． |  |
| O | NO．OF THROUGH LANES | 2 |  |
| Ш | TRUCK TRAFFIC | Prohibited | Prohibited |
| 0 | ON－STREET PARKING | No |  |
| ＜ | CURB RETURN RADIUS | 25 ft ． | 20 ft ． |
| 3 | MAXIMUM SPEED | 30 mph |  |
| 4 | MEDIAN | No |  |
| $\bigcirc$ | SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS | No |  |
| $\infty$ | CROSSWALKS | No | Allowed－as appropriate＊ |
| $\geqslant$ | DRIVEWAYS／CURB CUTS | Maximum 12 ft ． |  |
| 3 | TRAFFIC CALMING | Curvilinear alignment |  |
| 1 | BIKE FACILITIES | No | One－road，sharrow |
| $\bigcirc$ | BUILDING SETBACK | Various | Minimum 12 ft ． |
| 上 | STREET LIGHTING | Cobra－head，various spacing | Update＊ |
| ¢ | UTILITIES | Below ground | Prohibited－utility boxes \＆overhead lines |
| $\boldsymbol{\sim}$ | FENCING | In front of setback line | Nothing in front of setback line |
| $\boldsymbol{z}$ | SIDEWALKS | Both sides－ 4 ft ． | Minimum 5 ft ． |
| $\cdots$ | TRAILS | No |  |
| 菅 | STREET TREE CONFIGURATION | Naturalistic spacing | Restore symmetrical tree plantings；max． 40 ft ． spacing ${ }^{+}$where gaps exist |
| U | TREE SPECIES | Various | Groups 1， 2 \＆ $5^{+}$，maintain continuous canopy |
| 荘 | PARKWAY LAWN | 4 ft ． |  |
| 官 | STORMWATER BMP＇S | No | Allowed－porous pavement ${ }^{+}$ |
| 宸 | WATER FEATURES | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| $\infty$ | ARTWORK \＆ORNAMENTATION | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| 山 | MEMORIALS \＆MONUMENTS | No | By Park Board Approval |
| S | WAYFINDING \＆SIGNAGE | No | Yes－＂de－clutter＂\＆consolidate signage＊ |
| 0 | BANNERS／HANGING BASKETS | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| $z$ | PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| $\pm$ | STREET FURNISHINGS | No | By Administrative Approval |

＊Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section，pg．x for further information．
＋Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information／definition．


## SEGMENT 4 |J CNA CRE GTCNBCDENARD

\{Lake St to Hamilton St \}
LEGEND

Approx. Length 3,500 If

Right of Way Width

Adjacent Land Use Important Considerations

100 ft . (Lake St to Blondo St.)
150 ft . (Blondo St. to Hamilton St.)
Residential
Well defined portion of the system despite different building setbacks on either side of the street. Although it is different, it is consistent.

Preserve mature tree canopy and parkway lawn.
Preserve the character of the boulevard and neighborhood.
Opportunities Connect to Mercer Blvd through Walnut Hill Park.
Connect west to Fontenelle Blvd via Hamilton St/Military Ave.


* Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section, pg. x for further information.
+ Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information/definition.





## UNCDNBCUEARD

Lincoln Boulevard was built in the early 1890's. It runs through the Bemis Park neighborhood west-east from Mercer Boulevard to its end at North 30th Street. It then reemerges immediately north of Dodge Street and intersects with Turner Boulevard. When the Bemis Park subdivision was planned, the developer was convinced to create the meandering roadway.

The section along Bemis Park stands today as an excellent example of the economic value transferred to adjacent properties through preservation of the park and boulevard system. Property values are high, the neighborhood retains its pedestrian friendly feel and one can readily imagine what it looked like in the early 1900's. In the 1960's a large portion of Lincoln Boulevard was lost to construction of Interstate 480 east of what is not Roberts Dairy and Creighton Hospital.


## SEGMENT 1 |பNCDNBCDERARD <br> \{Mercer Blvd to Glenwood Ave\}

LEGEND


Approx. Length Right of Way Width

Adjacent Land Use
Important Considerations

1,350 If
70 ft .
Residential, Commercial, Park/Open Space
Attractive segment going through Mercer Park and winding down to Bemis Park. The variable topography is an significant asset to landscape form and character.

Preserve the character of the boulevard and neighborhood, particularly the historic sycamore trees.

## CIDE NE RECCMMENAI QNE



* Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section, pg. x for further information.
** Refer to Approved Boulevard Plant List for further information.
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## SEGMENT $2 \mid \amalg$ NCDNBCDENR

\{Glenwood Ave to N 30th St\}
LEGEND


## Approx. Length

Right of Way Width
Adjacent Land Use
Important Considerations

3,100 If
Additional 3,500 If connector to Turner Blvd on 30th St
100 ft .
Residential, Park/Open Space
Preserve the character of the boulevard and neighborhood. Very close to downtown, yet feels quite and secluded.
Mature tree canopy helps to define the corridor.
Preserve and restore parkway lawn where fences have encroached beyond building setback line.
Preserve Bemis Park as a neighborhood amenity and an attractive landscape feature along the boulevard.
Opportunities Connect to Turner Blvd using 30th St. The historic alignment was irrevocably wiped out with the construction of I-480.

## CIDBINE RECCMMENDAQS



* Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section, pg. x for further information.
** Refer to Approved Boulevard Plant List for further information.
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## MERCER BCUEAARD

\{John A. Creighton Blvd to Lincoln Blvd\}


LEGEND
〈॥\|! Wayfinding


Wayfinding Feature (signage, pavement markings, etc.)


■■!-■ Boulevard Connector


Approx. Length
700 If
Additional 1,300 If connector through Walnut Hill Park to John Creighton Blvd

100 ft .
Residential, Park/Open Space
Picturesque setting. Historic character still intact today and can be seen by the historic architecture, aloft tree canopy and well maintained features.
Preserve the character of the boulevard and neighborhood.
Opportunities Connect to John Creighton Blvd through Walnut Hill Park.


* Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section, pg. x for further information.
+ Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information/definition.

\{Florence Blvd to Miller Park\}



## LEGEND

〈॥॥॥〉 Wayfinding


Wayfinding Feature (signage, pavement markings, etc.)

Park/Open Space
Historic Boulevard
-■■■.Boulevard Connector


Additional 1,500 If connector through Miller Park to Florence Blvd

Right of Way Width
Adjacent Land Use
Important Considerations

Opportunities

150 ft .
Residential
While Minne Lusa is not part of the historic system, it has become a recognized and valued connector, and will be maintained as such. Re-connect through Miller Park to Miller Park Dr (Florence Blvd). Should the opportunity arise, place the utility vault in the median, at the north end of the boulevard, on an adjacent street or underground.

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | CRITERIA | EXISTING CONDITION | RECOMMENDATION（if different from exist．） |
| ZO山山 | PAVEMENT WIDTH | 23 ft ．either side of median |  |
|  | NO．OF THROUGH LANES | 1 either side of median |  |
|  | TRUCK TRAFFIC | Prohibited |  |
|  | ON－STREET PARKING | Yes－both sides |  |
| $\stackrel{1}{2}$ | CURB RETURN RADIUS | 25 ft ． | 20 ft ideal（ $25 \mathrm{ft} . \mathrm{max}$.25 mph |
|  | MAXIMUM SPEED | 30 mph |  |
| 4 | MEDIAN | 35 ft ．wide |  |
| O | SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS | No |  |
| $\infty$ | CROSSWALKS | No | Allowed－as appropriate＊ Maximum 12 ft ． |
| ¢ | DRIVEWAYS／CURB CUTS | 20 ft ． |  |
| 3 | TRAFFIC CALMING |  |  |
| 4 | BIKE FACILITIES | No | On－road，bike lane or sharrow |
| 0 | BUILDING SETBACK | 10 ft ．to 25 ft ． | Minimum 25 ft ． |
| ㅂ | STREET LIGHTING | Cobra－head， 150 ft ．spacing | Update＊ |
| ㄴ | UTIIITIES | Below ground | Prohibited－utility boxes \＆overhead lines |
| $\underline{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}$ | FENCING | In front of setback line | Nothing in front of setback line |
| z | SIDEWALKS | Both sides－ 6 ft ． |  |
| $\frac{\square}{n}$ | TRAILS | No |  |
| 㟔 | Street tree configuration | Evenly spaced within median and parkway in some areas | Symmetrical tree plantings；max． 40 ft ． spacing ${ }^{+}$where gaps exist |
| U | TREE SPECIES | Various | Groups 1， 2 \＆ $5^{+}$maintain continuous canopy |
| 莖 | PARKWAY LAWN | 7 ft ．（west） $5 \mathrm{ft}$. （east） |  |
| 易 | STORMWATER BMP＇S | No | Allowed－Porous Pavement ${ }^{+}$ |
| 宸 | WATER FEATURES | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| め | ARTWORK \＆ORNAMENTATION | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| 山 | MEMORIALS \＆MONUMENTS | Yes | Not Appropriate；By Park Board Approval |
| U | WAYFINDING \＆SIGNAGE | No | Yes－＂de－clutter＂\＆consolidate signage＊ |
| $\stackrel{\text { ¢ }}{ }$ | BANNERS／HANGING BASKETS | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| $\underset{4}{2}$ | PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| 」 | STREET FURNISHINGS | No | By Administrative Approval |

＊Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section，pg．x for further information．
＋Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information／definition．




Wayfinding Feature (signage, pavement markings, etc.)

Park/Open Space
Historic Boulevard
■■■■■ Boulevard Connector

## PAXTCDBCUEARD

Paxton Boulevard runs east-west through North Omaha from John A. Creighton Blvd at North 31st Avenue, connecting with Fontenelle Boulevard in Fontenelle Park. Paxton Boulevard is named for William A. Paxton (1837-July 18, 1907). He was a businessman and politician and often credited with the development of the Union Stockyards.
Today Paxton Boulevard exists as originally conceived in terms of right of way and alignment, however tree plantings need replacement at best or are missing completely and need reinstatement. There is opportunity for restoration of this corridor through Omaha's Combined Sewer program which envisions this as a route for significant improvement. The following recommendations form the basis of how the roadway is to be restored as construction takes place.


## SEGMENT 1 | PAXTCNBCD ENRD <br> \{Fontenelle Blvd to N 42nd Ave\}

## LEGEND



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| CRITERIA |  | EXISTING CONDITION | RECOMMENDATION（if different from exist．） |
| $\begin{aligned} & z \\ & \frac{0}{3} \\ & \mathbf{u} \end{aligned}$ | PAVEMENT WIDTH | 32 ft ． |  |
|  | NO．OF THROUGH LANES | 2 |  |
|  | TRUCK TRAFFIC | Prohibited |  |
|  | ON－STREET PARKING | No |  |
| \％ | CURB RETURN RADIUS | 25 ft ． |  |
| 3 | MAXIMUM SPEED | 30 mph |  |
| 4 | MEDIAN | No |  |
| $\bigcirc$ | SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS | No |  |
| $\infty$ | CROSSWALKS | No |  |
|  | DRIVEWAYS／CURB CUTS | No | Allowed－as appropriate＊ Not Allowed |
|  | TRAFFIC CALMING |  | Update＊Prohibited－utility boxes \＆overhead lines |
|  | BIKE FACILITIES | Yes－ 10 ft ．sidepath in park |  |
|  | BUILDING SETBACK | No buildings |  |
|  | STREET LIGHTING | Cobra－head， 150 ft ．spacing |  |
|  | UTILITIES | Below ground |  |
|  | FENCING | No |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Z } \\ & \underline{\mathbf{V}} \\ & \text { 山 } \end{aligned}$ | SIDEWALKS | No | Symmetrical tree plantings；max． 40 ft ． spacing ${ }^{+}$where gaps exist |
|  | TRAILS | Yes－ 10 ft ．sidepath in park |  |
|  | STREET TREE CONFIGURATION | Symmetrical，evenly spaced tree plantings，naturalistic plantings within Park |  |
| ソ | TREE SPECIES | Various，Honeylocust \＆Pine dominant | Groups 1， 2 \＆ $5^{+}$，maintain continuous canopy |
| エ | PARKWAY LAWN | Varies | Minimum 28 ft ． <br> Allowed－Porous Pavement ${ }^{+}$ |
| 山 | STORMWATER BMP＇S | No |  |
| ¢ | WATER FEATURES | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| 山 | ARTWORK \＆ORNAMENTATION | No | By Public Arts Comm．\＆Park Board Approval |
| $\stackrel{4}{4}$ | MEMORIALS \＆MONUMENTS | No | By Park Board Approval |
| U | WAYFINDING \＆SIGNAGE | No | Yes－＂de－clutter＂\＆consolidate signage＊ |
| 2 | BANNERS／HANGING BASKETS | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
| 」 | PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval |
|  | STREET FURNISHINGS | No | By Administrative Approval |

＊Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section，pg．x for further information．
＋Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information／definition．


## SEGMENT 2 | PAXTCNBCDERARD

\{N 42nd Ave to John A. Creighton Blvd\}
LEGEND


## Approx. Length Right of Way Width Adjacent Land Use Average Daily Traffic <br> Important Considerations <br> Opportunities

5,100 If
Varies
Residential, Institutional, Park/Open Space
4,804 ADT along corridor segment.
(Source: City of Omaha Public Works Department Traffic Counts, Dec. 2011) Continuity of the "iconic" boulevard due to broad parkway lawn. Part of the Paxton Combined Sewer Overflow Separation project. This portion of the boulevard lies within the Combined Sewer Overflow program, which includes possible installation of Green Solutions, and/or BMP's and replacement of the existing 10 ft . trail adjacent to the roadway.
Work on this portion may present an opportunity to restore the rhythm of tree canopy.
The intersection of Paxton Blvd with John Creighton Blvd should incorporate special features that include wayfinding and identity.


* Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section, pg. x for further information.
+ Refer to Graphic Glossary for further information/definition.





## RIVRMEVBCOLRARD

Riverview Boulevard was an important part of Cleveland's vision for the Omaha System, however it is the corridor that exhibits fewer characteristics typical of the boulevards than any other. City records note that although it appears as part of the historic network and was planned to connect Riverview Park north to Bancroft and then to 11th Street "it appears that they (11th, Bancroft, and Riverview) received little improvement and remained "boulevards" primarily in name only.

Today the route is a relatively typical residential street from Mason to Bancroft and Bancroft east to the elementary school. School construction and the I-80 project changed the corridor and only the portion south of I-80 retains typical boulevard character.


## SEGMENT 1 | RVERMEMBCDELARD <br> \{Mason St to William St\}

LEGEND

Approx. Length 1,670 If
Right of Way Width 80 ft .
Adjacent Land Use Commercial, Industrial

## Important Considerations

Disconnected from the historic system.

Much of the historic features and character are no longer present.
Opportunities Relocate Boulevard to follow 10th St which provides better connection to downtown and Harney Bikeway. Adjacent land uses and street configuration of 10th St are similar to those seen on the Boulevards System.

## CUDE INE RECCMMENDAI CNE



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## SEGMENT $2 \mid R I V R M E M B C D E R D$ <br> \{William St to Bancroft St\}

LEGEND


## Length 4,380 If <br> Right of Way Width <br> 80 ft . (William St to Hickory St) <br> 70 ft . (Hickory St to Bancroft St)

Adjacent Land Use Important Considerations

Residential, Commercial, Industrial
Disconnected from the historic system.
Much of the historic features and character are no longer present.
Opportunities

Relocate Boulevard to follow 10th St which provides better connection to downtown and Harney Bikeway. Adjacent land uses and street configuration of 10th St are similar to those seen on the Boulevards System.

## CUDE INE RECCMMENDAI CNE



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## SEGMENT 3 | RIVRMEMBCUENAR

\{Bancroft St to Grover St\}
LEGEND

Approx. Length 2,800 If
Additional 1,370 If Connector on Bancroft St

Right of Way Width

Adjacent Land Use

## Important Considerations

130 ft. (Bancroft St to Hascall St)
150 ft . (Hascall St to Grover St)
Residential, Institutional, Park/Open Space
Disconnected from the historic system.
Much of the historic features and character are no longer present.
Parking lot on west side of Riverview Blvd adjacent to Henry Doorly Zoo is within the right of way.

## CUDE INE RECCMMENAII QNE

|  | CRITERIA | EXISTING CONDITION | RECOMMENDATION (if different from exist.) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | PAVEMENT WIDTH | 30 ft . | 25 ft . |  |
|  | NO. OF THROUGH LANES | 2 |  |  |
|  | TRUCK TRAFFIC | Not Prohibited |  |  |
|  | ON-STREET PARKING | Allowed - both sides |  |  |
|  | CURB RETURN RADIUS | 35 ft . |  |  |
|  | MAXIMUM SPEED | 30 mph |  |  |
|  | MEDIAN | No |  |  |
|  | SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS | No |  |  |
|  | CROSSWALKS | No | Allowed - as appropriate* Maximum 20 ft . |  |
|  | DRIVEWAYS / CURB CUTS | Maximum 30 ft . |  |  |
|  | TRAFFIC CALMING |  |  |  |
|  | BIKE FACILITIES | No | On-road, bike lane |  |
|  | BUILDING SETBACK | 15 ft . |  |  |
|  | STREET LIGHTING | Cobra-head, 150 ft . spacing | Update* |  |
|  | UTILITIES | Above ground | Prohibited - Utility Boxes \& Overhead Lines Nothing in front of setback line |  |
|  | FENCING | In front of setback line |  |  |
|  | SIDEWALKS | Both sides - 5 ft . (Bancroft to Spring St) | Continue sidewalk to south on east side of road |  |
|  | TRAILS | No |  |  |
|  | STREET TREE CONFIGURATION | Individual tree plantings, few historic | Restore symmetrical, evenly spaced; max. 40 ft . spacing where gaps exist ${ }^{+}$ <br> Groups 1 thru $5^{+}$maintain continuous canopy |  |
|  | TREE SPECIES | Various |  |  |
|  | PARKWAY LAWN | 4 ft . |  |  |
|  | STORMWATER BMP'S | No | Allowed - Porous Pavement ${ }^{+}$ |  |
|  | WATER FEATURES | No | By Public Arts Comm. \& Park Board ApprovalBy Public Arts Comm. \& Park Board Approval |  |
|  | ARTWORK \& ORNAMENTATION | No |  |  |
|  | MEMORIALS \& MONUMENTS | No | Not Appropriate; By Park Board Approval Yes, "de-clutter" \& consolidate signage* |  |
|  | WAYFINDING \& SIGNAGE | No |  |  |
|  | BANNERS/HANGING BASKETS | No | By Urban Design Review Board Approval By Urban Design Review Board Approval By Administrative Approval |  |
|  | PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING | No |  |  |
|  | STREET FURNISHINGS | No |  |  |

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## SPRINGLAKE DRIV

\{S 20th St to S 13th St \}


Approx. Length
6,100 If
Right of Way Width
130 ft .
Adjacent Land Use
Residential, Park/Open Space
Important Considerations
Provides a connection south over Interstate 80 to Spring Lake Park, 9-hole Golf Course and Riverfront Trail.

Naturalistic tree plantings add to the park-like drive.
Opportunities
Enhanced entrance to the system at Spring Lake Dr and S 13th St intersection.

## CIDB NE RECOMMENDAICS



* Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section, pg. x for further information.
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## TURNER BCDEARD

Turner Boulevard extends from Dodge Street south to Woolworth Avenue. It is named for the first land donor of the property, Mrs. Charlotte M. Turner. The boulevard meanders its way through several neighborhoods and is anchored on each end by Turner Park on the north and Hanscom Park on the south.

This boulevard is probably one of more scenic and interesting of the system. The boulevard also retains some of the best examples of H.W.S. Cleveland's planting concepts of integrating deciduous and coniferous materials as street trees.


## SEGMENT $1 \mid$ TLRNER BCDENAR <br> \{Dodge St to Harney St\}

## LEGEND


Approx. Length 1,200 If
Right of Way Width Varies
Residential, Commercial, Park/Open Space

Adjacent Land Use
Important Considerations

Opportunities

Preserve the character of the boulevard and adjacent Dewey and Turner Parks to provide as a neighborhood amenity.

Very urban section that carries a significant amount of vehicular traffic. High visibility point in the system to incorporate significant wayfinding and identification.
Connect to Lincoln Blvd using 30th St. The historic alignment was irrevocably wiped out with the construction of I-480.
"S" curve realignment at the intersection of Dodge St/Douglas St/ Turner Blvd. Restoring rhythm of tree canopy and parkway lawn should be a consideration in the design process.

Connect to the proposed Harney St Bikeway going east/west.

## CIDBINE RECCMMENDAQS



* Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section, pg. x for further information.
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## SEGMENT $2 \mid$ TURNER BCDENAR <br> \{Harney St to Leavenworth St \}

LEGEND

Approx. Length 2,300 If

## Right of Way Width <br> Varies

Adjacent Land Use
Important Consideration
Opportunitie
Residential, Commercial, Park/Open Space
Curvilinear alignment contributes to park-like feel of the boulevard.
Existing 10' trail winding adjacent to and crossing the boulevard.
Preserve the character of the boulevard and neighborhood.
Clarify wayfinding at Jackson and 34th Streets. Incorporate wayfinding feature at intersection with Harney St Bikeway.

## CUDEINE RECOMMENDAICSE



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## SEGMENT 3 | TURNER BCDERARD <br> \{Leavenworth St to Woolworth Ave\}

LEGEND

Approx. Length 4,000 If
Right of Way Width 100 ft .
Adjacent Land Use
Important Consideration
Residential, Park/Open Space
Curvilinear ascent to the Field Club Neighborhood provides a very pleasant experience whether on the trail or driving. Mature trees provide orderly canopy while framing views of the park and surrounding neighborhoods.

Preserve the character of the boulevard and neighborhood.

## GUDEINERECOMMENDAICS



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\{S 36th St to Hanscom Blvd/S 32nd St \}


LEGEND
〈IIII) Wayfinding


Wayfinding Feature (signage, pavement markings, etc.)

Park/Open Space
Historic Boulevard
■■■■ Boulevard Connector

Approx. Length Right of Way Width Adjacent Land Use
Average Daily Traffic

## Important Considerations



1,820 If
100 ft .
Residential, Park/Open Space
2,871 ADT along corridor segment.
(Source: City of Omaha Public Works Department Traffic Counts, Dec. 2011)
Despite it's "Avenue" name designation, Woolworth is shown on Cleveland's map as being part of the historic boulevards system and will be treated as such.

This portion is very well preserved. The historic architecture and geometric relationships of pavement to parkway lawn to sidewalk to vegetation provide an idyllic atmosphere conducive to both pedestrians and slow-moving vehicular traffic.
The narrower lanes of the divided portion of Woolworth Ave aid in traffic calming while still allowing on-street parking.

Provides a connection to Hanscom Park from Turner Blvd.
Opportunities
As part of the Omaha Master Plan Transportation Element, this segment is should be considered for bike lanes and sharrows.

## GIDEINERECOMMENDAICS



* Refer to Wayfinding and Identification section, pg. x for further information.
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## The Historic System



The most significant conclusion of the Omaha Boulevards Master Plan is that the historic integrity of the system and the infrastructure be preserved and maintained. This was endorsed by the public through the planning process and largely shaped the preceding recommendations. For this reason, implementation focuses on maintenance of the existing improvements and careful review and consideration of any proposed change to an historic boulevard segment. The express intent of this Master Plan is to protect what is in place. As infrastructure deteriorates, as it will over time, it should be replaced consistent with the identified, segment by segment recommendations.

There is no existing, specific, budget allocation or dedicated funding source for Omaha's Boulevard System. In the future it may be desirable to create such a mechanism, however at the present time boulevard projects will likely be coupled with other capital improvement expenditures. As projects are proposed highest priority should be given to the following:

1. Preservation of existing trees, maintenance of existing trees and the addition of trees along the boulevard where they no longer exist. This is important in that trees take many years to mature and the sooner they start the sooner they will contribute to the character of the segment.
2. Maintenance of curbs, sidewalks, and street pavement including operational considerations such as street sweeping.
3. Installation of wayfinding and identification consistent with recommendations to create a subtly recognizable identity for the historic system.
4.Systematic replacement of cobra-head streetlights with the recommended alternate fixture as an element of the wayfinding and identification package.

## Boulevard Connections

The Omaha Boulevard Master Plan includes recommendations for future connections that complete the network. The intent of the connections is to compliment the historic system, not try to replicate it. Omaha currently has adopted Boulevard Design Guidelines that dictate the design and character of the future Suburban Omaha Boulevard System. These guidelines should be used when planning boulevard connection projects or improvements along connector routes to the extent possible. It should be noted that specific connector routes may also fall under other adopted design recommendations such as:
» Green Streets for Omaha
" Omaha Streetscape Handbook
» Urban Design Handbook for Omaha
» Transportation Master Plan
» Area of Civic Improvement Overlay District

## Wayfinding and Identification

Creating a coherent wayfinding and identity for the Omaha's Boulevards has been an important priority for both public and staff.

Alternatives to design and approach of wayfinding and identification will be reviewed with public and staff prior to inclusion in the master plan document.

## GRAPHIC GLOSSARY

## Bicycle Facilities

The Boulevard System is an important component of the city's bicycle facility network as it is proposed. Generally the boulevard corridors are easily ridden routes with gentle grades, connecting points of interest and public places. There are three facilities recommended for the system and the location of each depends on the segment under consideration. The three types of facility are:
» The Sharrow - This is a shared lane marking placed on a travel lane to indicate that a bicyclist may use the lane. On multi-lane streets it is placed in the outside lane. This is the facility recommended for most boulevard corridors, as the pavement width of the boulevard system does not easily accommodate a bicycle lane.
» Bicycle Lane Marking - Typically bicycle lanes are 5 feet in width and designated by a continuous lane marking on the street pavement. Most pavement widths in the Omaha Boulevard System are not sufficient to meet minimum lane width requirements.
» Side Path - This is a path or trail that has been designated for use by pedestrians and cyclists which is separated from the roadway pavement by some distance. Within the existing boulevard system there is a side path along a portion of Happy Hollow Boulevard.


Bike Lane Marking


Side Path

## Building Setback

The building setback is the distance beyond which a building cannot extend toward the street. With respect to these guidelines the building setback is measured from the right-ofway line and sets a uniform appearance throughout a specific corridor or boulevard segment and is important to the visual character of the boulevard. Building setbacks vary throughout the system and are typically more generous than you see in other parts of the city. It is important to note that in addition to the building, fences are to be behind the building setback line.


## Curb Return Radius



Building Setback


Median

Parkway Lawn


Curb returns are the curved connection of the curbs in the corners formed by the intersection of two streets. Their purposes are to guide vehicles in turning corners and to separate vehicular traffic from pedestrian areas. The radius of the curb return is an important character defining element of the historic boulevard system. The radii are smaller than those characteristically found in modern street standards. Smaller curb return radii are considered by many to add to a more pedestrian friendly environment as they serve to decrease the length of pedestrian crosswalks and enhance pedestrian safety.

## Driveways/Curb Cuts

Driveways and/or curb cuts on boulevards help provide access to abutting land uses. The width of driveways impact the historic character of the system and are therefore limited to 20' in most cases.

## Median

Medians are the center portion of a street that separates opposing direction of travel. Within the Omaha's Boulevard System the width of medians vary, however they are landscaped and are important character defining elements of the historic system. Not every boulevard has a median.

## Number of Through Lanes

The number of through lanes refer to the lanes of traffic that move along a specific boulevard corridor. Two through lanes mean that two lanes of traffic flow in opposite directions if a two-way route or two lanes flow in one direction if a one-way route. In some cases boulevard segments are four through lanes - two lanes for each direction.

## Parkway Lawn

Parkway Lawn is the area between the curb and the sidewalk along boulevard corridors. Typically the Parkway Lawn is planted with street trees. In any event it is a defining characteristic of the boulevard system. Although the widths vary by segment, they are important to maintain as they exist and replace to a historically accurate dimension where possible.

## Pavement Width

Pavement width is the width of the street from edge to edge, in most cases from curb to curb. It varies throughout the boulevard system and may include parallel parking as well as traffic lanes. The pavement width impacts the speed of traffic, the number of lanes in a given corridor, and the ability to provide on road bicycle facilities

## Right of Way Width

The Right of Way Width of a given boulevard is that specific strip of land that is granted for transportation purposes. The line is not readily discernible on the ground but is a legal right to use/reserve the property for travel on, maintenance or expansion of the roadway. In the case of the Omaha Boulevard System the right-of-way is under the prevue of the Parks and Recreation Department and they have sole discretion over what occurs within it. Boulevard rights-of-way vary depending on the location within the system but can be as wide as 200' and as narrow as 75'. Often the roadway pavement is centered in the right-of-way but not in all cases.

## Street Tree Configuration

Street tree plantings occur in a variety of forms within the boulevard system. In some cases there are formal rows of single species and in others, the design is more naturalistic. The existing configuration along a particular segment should be maintained and enhanced.

## Stormwater BMP's

Improving water quality is essential to protecting our natural resources. The concept has grown in popularity as government regulation has focused attention the results of poor stormwater management on water quality. Stormwater BMP's (Best Management Practices) when appropriately designed, constructed and maintained serve to reduce roadway and other site pollutants from entering streams and waterways. They are valuable in slowing runoff and reducing erosion and siltation of waterways. There are a variety of ways to design such facilities and they can often serve double duty as site amenities (ponds, wetlands, rain gardens).

Often BMP's involve the use of native plant materials to filter pollutants and process stormwater, however, more structural applications are also helpful especially in developed areas, such as the boulevard system where space can be limited and historic integrity of the existing landscape is important. The science of BMP design is evolving and it is important to remain open to new approaches, however each new idea needs to be assessed relative to its ability to meet historic precedence within the system. The approaches most appropriate for use on boulevards are noted in segment specific recommendations and are defined as follows.
» Porous Pavement - Porous pavement is a permeable pavement surface with a stone reservoir underneath. The reservoir temporarily stores surface runoff before infiltrating it into the subsoil. Runoff is thereby infiltrated directly into the soil and receives some water quality treatment. It is appropriate for use in the boulevard system as it can appear the same as traditional roadway pavement and therefore maintain historic integrity while providing stormwater management benefit.


Symmetrical/ Formal Tree Configuration


Naturalistic Tree Configuration
" Bioretention/Rain Gardens - These are facilities that occur on the surface and process contaminants and remove sediment from stormwater runoff. Stormwater is collected into a depression which is planted with materials specific to the facilities function. The use of bioretention and rain gardens is appropriate within boulevard right-of-way, however the design of such facilities need to be carefully considered with respect to the historic landscape of the system.

## Trees Species

Street trees provide environmental benefits by serving as habitat and corridors for urban wildlife. They provide shade and help to maintain air quality. They provide functional benefits by linking spaces, increasing the economic value of spaces and in the case of the boulevard system, are the single most important defining characteristic adding a park-like quality to the corridors. Appropriate tree species for the system include those originally identified in the Green Streets Manual as Group1 through Group 5 and enumerated below. Other cultivars of the species listed may be appropriate however they must match the aesthetic characteristics of the group. Species with similar characteristics are grouped for convenience of selection. The intent is to provide visual continuity along any individual boulevard segment while allowing for horticultural diversity.

GROUP 1

## Large Trees with Round Canopies and Coarse Textured Foliage

Acer x freemanii 'Jeffersred'
Autumn Blaze Maple
Acer x freemanii ‘Celzani’
Acer Wigrum Black Maple
Aesculus glabra
Ohio Buckeye
Aesculus hippocastanum
Common Horsechestnut
Platanus x acerifolia 'Bloodgood'
Bloodgood London Plane Tree
Platanus x acerifolia 'Columbia'
Columbia London Plane Tree
Platanus x acerifolia 'Liberty'
Liberty London Plane Tree
Platanus x acerifolia 'Yarwood'
Yarwood London Plane Tree
Platanus occidentalis
American Planetree
Quercus macrocarpa
Bur Oak
Quercus rubra
Red Oak
Quercus alba
White Oak
Quercus bicolor
Swamp White Oak
Quercus robur
English Oak
Quercus muhlenbergii
Chinkapin Oak
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## GROUP 2

## Large Trees with Round Canopies and Fine Textured Foliage

Cladrastis kentukea
Yellow Wood
Gleditsia triacanthos var. inermis
Thornless Honeylocust
Gleditsia triacanthos var. inermis 'Christie'
Halka Honeylocust
Gleditsia triacanthos var. inermis 'Moraine'
Moraine Honeylocust
Gleditsia triacanthos var. inermis 'Shademaster' Shademaster Honeylocust
Gleditsia triacanthos var. inermis 'Imperial' Imperial Honeylocust
Gleditsia triacanthos var. inermis
Thornless Honeylocust
Gymnocladus dioicus
Kentucky Coffee Tree
Phellodendron amurense 'Macho'
Amur Cork Tree Macho
Phellodendron amurense 'His Majesty"
Amur Cork Tree His Majesty
Phellodendron amurense
Amur Cork Tree
Sophora japonica 'Regent'
Regent Scholar Tree
Sophora japonica
Japanese Pagoda Tree, Scholar Tree
Sophora japonica 'Halka'
Millstone Scholar Tree
Ulmus parvifolia 'Dynasty'
Dynasty Elm

GROUP 3

## Large Trees with Oval Canopies and Fine Textured Foliage

Celtis occidentalis 'Prairie Pride'
Prairie Pride Hackberry
Celtis occidentalis 'Chicago Land’
Chicago Land Hackberry
Celtis occidentalis 'Windy City'
Windy City Hackberry
Metasequoia glyptastroboides
Dawn Redwood
Quercus imbricaria
Shingle Oak
Robinia pseudoacacia 'Bessoniana’
Purple Robe Locust
Taxodium distichum
Bald Cypress
Tilia cordata 'Chancellor'
Chancellor Littleleaf Linden
Tilia cordata 'Glenleven'
Glenleven Littleleaf Linden
Tilia cordata 'Greenspire’
Greenspire Littleleaf Linden
Tilia cordata 'Olympic'
Olympic Littleleaf Linden

GROUP 4

## Large Trees with Oval Canopies and Coarse Textured Foliage

Catalpa speciosa
Catalpa
Ginkgo biloba
Ginkgo
Ginkgo biloba 'Autumn Gold'
Autumn Gold Ginkgo
Gleditsia triacanthos inermis 'Skyline'
Skyline Honeylocust
Liriodendron tulipifera
Tulip Tree
Quercus coccinea
Scarlet Oak
Quercus velutina
Northern Black Oak
Tilia americana 'Redmond'
Redmond Basswood
Tilia sp 'Sterling'
Sterling Linden
Tilia sp 'Green Meadows'
Green Meadows Linden
Tilia Tomentosa
Silver Linden
Ulmus 'Frontier'
Frontier Elm
Ulmus 'Discovery Elm'
Discovery Elm
Ulmus 'Morton Glossy'
Morton Glossy Elm

## Truck Traffic

Truck traffic on the boulevard system is limited to trucks with two axles. All other truck traffic is prohibited. That said, it is understood that from time to time larger trucks may need to drive the system, such as a moving van but it is not a route suitable for regular use by such large vehicles.

## Utilities

Above ground utility boxes or infrastructure such as electrical, telephone, gas, water, cable tv, etc. significantly impact the historic integrity of the boulevard system and are prohibited within the right-of-way. Often, given the generous green space associated with boulevards and the fact that the property is under control of the city the boulevard medians, parkway lawns and other open areas are targets for the placement of such above ground utilities this practice is not appropriate. Nor should this occur with "screening" as the utility infrastructure and the screening then become inconsistent historically and


Inappropriate Above Ground Utilities


Inappropriate Utility Box Placement negatively impact the corridor.

GROUP 5

## Large Trees with Spreading Canopies and Fine Textured Foliage

Celtis occidentalis
Hackberry
Celtis Occidentalis 'Magnifififica'
Magnifica Hackberry
Ulmus 'Accolade'
Accolade Elm
Ulmus americana 'Delaware \#2'
Delaware American Elm
Ulmus americana 'Washington'
Washington American Elm
Ulmus 'Princeton'
Princeton Elm
Ulmus wilsoniana 'Prospector'
Prospector Elm
Ulmus 'Morton Plainsman'
Vanguard Elm
Ulmus 'Sapporo'
Autumn Gold

GROUP 6

## Large Trees with Columnar Canopies

Carpinus betulus 'Fastigiata'
Upright European Hornbeam
Ginkgo biloba 'Lakeview'
Lakeview Ginkgo
Ginkgo biloba 'Princeton Sentry'
Princeton Sentry Gingko
Pyrus calleryana 'Capital’
Capital Callery Pear
Pyrus calleryana 'Chauticleer'
Chanticleer Pear
Quercus robur 'Fastigiata'
Upright English Oak
Quercus robur 'Long'
Regal Prince Oak
Quercus robur 'Asjes'
Rosehill Oak
Taxodium distichum 'Shawnee Brave'
Bald Cypress


[^0]:    Approx. Length 1,600 If
    Right of Way Width 100 ft .
    Adjacent Land Use Park/Open Space
    Average Daily Traffic 1,552 ADT along corridor segment.
    (Source: City of Omaha Public Works Department Traffic Counts, Dec. 2011)

    ## Important Considerations

    Preserve the character of the boulevard, particularly quality mature tree canopy lining the street within Fontenelle Park.
    Intersection of Paxton Blvd with Fontenelle Blvd.
    Opportunities This portion of the boulevard lies within the Combined Sewer Overflow program, which includes possible installation of Green Solutions or BMP's.

    The intersection of Paxton Blvd with Fontenelle Blvd is in the process of being realigned. Intersection special features that include wayfinding and identity could be incorporated into the project.

