Short Term Improvements
York/Josephine Transportation Safety Study

What is Happening on York Josephine?
Denver’s Department of Transportation and Infrastructure has identified York and Josephine Streets as a priority for safety improvements. This study will re-envision and enhance the corridor through a design that improves safety for all users of the roadway. A 4 to 3 lane conversion is planned as part of repaving operations from 40th Avenue to 18th Avenue to help improve safety for all travelers along the corridor.

Why Are Improvements Needed?
York Josephine has been identified as part of Denver’s Vision Zero High Injury Network. In recent years, crashes and high speeds have been observed along the York Josephine corridor.

3 Fatalities have occurred along York Josephine in the last 5 years.

17 Crashes causing Serious Injury have occurred along York Josephine.

604 Crashes causing Minor Injuries or property damage have occurred along York Josephine.

The corridor has a posted speed limit of 30 Miles Per Hour.

Vehicles traveling at speeds up to 40 Miles Per Hour have been observed along the corridor.
Safety Improvements

Lane Conversion Design from 26th Avenue to 28th Avenue

The 4 to 3 lane conversion will allow space for curb extensions to help slow traffic and narrow the roadway.

The 4 to 3 lane conversion will allow space for left turn lanes that will increase sight distance for turning drivers.

Benefits of lane reduction may include:
- Reduction of rear-end and left-turn crashes due to the dedicated left-turn lane.
- Reduced right-angle crashes as side street motorists cross three versus four travel lanes.
- Shorter distance for pedestrians to cross.
- Opportunity to install pedestrian refuge islands, bicycle lanes, on-street parking, or transit stops.
- Reduce driver speed to the posted 30 MPH speed limit.
- A more community-focused, Complete Streets environment that better accommodates the needs of all road users.

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