Mingo is located along Hwy 117, which links it to Hwy 65 to the north and Interstate 80 to the south. There are concerns about lighting, ease of turning, and access where the highway meets Main Street and the Chichaqua Valley Trail. Leaving the highway, a prominent concern defined by community members is the limited and poor quality pedestrian connections throughout town. This was most noted along Main Street, which links the community from east to west.

Within the downtown, a handful of other issues were identified, including: limited lighting, lack of crossings, large vehicles on the road, and stormwater pooling along the curb. The downtown area is located at the intersection of Mingo's two primary roads: Main Street and Station Street. Station Street is the community's north-south axis and connects to the trail at its north end. Currently the downtown area lacks character. Station Street is a vast road that is unwelcoming from a pedestrian standpoint, but leaves many opportunities for streetscape updates.

The biggest transportation asset in Mingo is the Chichaqua Valley Trail. This popular trail connects to Des Moines and attracts visitors from neighboring communities. The trail passes through a variety of vegetated environments; however, there are locations where views could be opened to create stronger links into the community, and places where additional vegetation is needed to visually buffer unwanted views. The most requested update to the trail is a new access point for the east side of town. Along with the new access, there is the potential for an in-town trail through the hills to the south.

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