



Proposed improvements for intersection of Main Street and Blackhawk Street. The same concept could be adapted for the intersection of Broad Street and Main Street.

- Legend**
- ① Proposed Street Trees with Ground Cover
  - ② Proposed Decorative Paving
  - ③ Proposed Highly-visible Crosswalk
  - ④ Proposed Tactile-warning Paving
  - ⑤ Proposed Bump-outs

**Downtown Improvements**

Reinbeck did a walk around the community with Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) prior to beginning the Community Visioning process. The IEDA stated that the downtown needed sprucing up to match the same level of care and charm the residential portion of the community exhibits. This same thought about aesthetics was reiterated throughout the visioning process with additional comments being about sidewalk conditions, ADA accessibility, and parking related issues.

Reinbeck’s population grows during the day because of large employers in town. This is a unique situation, because most of rural Iowa sees a sharp population decrease during the day when many residents commute out of town. The downtown is well established with a variety of shops and businesses. An existing pocket park mid-block adds green space to the area. The design team is proposing renovations to the intersections including bump-outs, which allow space for amenities such as lighting, benches, planting beds or planters, decorative paving, and street trees. Bump-outs increase pedestrian safety by shortening the distance to cross the street. The downtown enhancements will help with the overall walkability of Reinbeck.



Proposed improvements include bump-outs, street trees, and highly-visible crosswalks



Existing conditions on the corner of Main Street and Blackhawk Street



Existing conditions for Blackhawk Street, Main Street, and Broad Street

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