



What People Said:

"The water and sewer in this town is [as] old as several people, twice as old as several people sitting here. Three times as old."

"Clausen Park is low. It floods. You can't keep a good base under the children's equipment. They need new equipment. They need to figure out a way to divert water."

"We have a terrible problem [with diseased trees]... we've got about a hundred-plus trees to be cutting right now."

"All the tracks are bad for bikes."

"We just want them to repair the [railroad] tracks or the approaches."

Analysis of Barriers

The analysis of barriers is based on feedback received from the seniors and mobility impaired user type. The steering committee is not considered a user type, as it is usually made up of representatives from the other user types. Although not shown on this map, input from the steering committee is incorporated into the written description, as a point of comparison.

Incomplete Streets

Pedestrian and vehicular movement is impeded in some areas of St. Ansgar where the streets end at the railroad tracks. Incomplete intersections at 1st Street and Highway 218 and at Train Lane and 5th Street are barriers for the senior/mobility-impaired group.

Sidewalk Barriers

A lack of sidewalks throughout town, in addition to poor sidewalk conditions where they exist, lead to unsatisfactory pedestrian accessibility. Both groups noted that Second Street in particular needs sidewalks because it is heavily traveled. A lack of painted crosswalks across 6th Street and Main Street adds to this issue.

Flooding

Flooding at Clausen City Park damages the play equipment and at times makes the park inaccessible. Clogged culverts throughout town sometimes cause flooding.

Railroad

The senior and mobility-impaired group and the steering committee expressed concerns regarding the railroad. Both groups noted that most of the railroad crossings in town are not universally accessible and do not have crossing guards. The steering committee pointed out that fire trucks are only able to cross the tracks on 4th Street because the other crossings are too steep.

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