



## **Future Project Suggestions for the City of Tahlequah - Survey #3**

Survey Results  
FINAL

02/10/2026

**Please reorder the following items in order of priority.**

Number of votes per option:

Community Event Center & Municipal Government Complex	8% (309)
Northeastern Health System Improvements	8% (309)
New Fire Station	8% (309)
**Animal Shelter Upgrades	8% (309)
**Trail Expansion (walking/bike)	8% (309)
**Riverlinks Golf Course Improvements	8% (309)
**Tahlequah Public Library Improvements	8% (309)
**Lighting & Safety Improvements Throughout City and Parks	8% (309)
Improvements to Current Aquatic Facilities with Potential for a New One	8% (309)
**New Amphitheater	8% (309)
**Senior Citizens Center Enhancements	8% (309)
**Improvements of Cemetery	8% (309)

Number of votes per option, adjusted by their ranked position:

Community Event Center & Municipal Government Complex	9% (261)
Northeastern Health System Improvements	11% (313)
New Fire Station	8% (237)
**Animal Shelter Upgrades	9% (256)
**Trail Expansion (walking/bike)	8% (229)
**Riverlinks Golf Course Improvements	7% (199)
**Tahlequah Public Library Improvements	8% (232)
**Lighting & Safety Improvements Throughout City and Parks	9% (258)
Improvements to Current Aquatic Facilities with Potential for a New One	8% (214)
**New Amphitheater	7% (210)

\*\*Senior Citizens Center Enhancements 7% (210)

\*\*Improvements of Cemetery 7% (193)

**Would you support allocating a permanent tax to the General Fund to strengthen overall city operations and services?**

Number of votes per option:

Yes 82% (253)

No 18% (56)

**Please rank the proposed projects in order of importance.**

Number of votes per option:

Cedar - Downing to Ross	11% (309)
W. Keetoowah - Cherokee to Choctaw	11% (309)
Shawnee - Cedar to Bluff	11% (307)
Oklahoma - Downing to Crafton	11% (307)
York - Jones to Seminary	11% (307)
N. Moccasin - Pendleton to Allen	11% (307)
S. Oak - Boone to Shawnee	11% (307)
E. Boone - Bypass to S. Bliss Ave.	11% (307)
E. Balentine Rd. - S. Muskogee to Cambridge Cir.	11% (307)

Number of votes per option, adjusted by their ranked position:

Cedar - Downing to Ross	16% (365)
W. Keetoowah - Cherokee to Choctaw	12% (282)
Shawnee - Cedar to Bluff	12% (262)
Oklahoma - Downing to Crafton	11% (245)
York - Jones to Seminary	10% (216)
N. Moccasin - Pendleton to Allen	10% (227)
S. Oak - Boone to Shawnee	9% (200)
E. Boone - Bypass to S. Bliss Ave.	10% (226)
E. Balentine Rd. - S. Muskogee to Cambridge Cir.	10% (233)

**If you believe an additional street project should be considered, you may provide a specific recommendation and include details explaining why that area needs attention.**

Text Responses:

Na

4th street Muskogee to 62/82

No

none

na

none

N/A

Crafton needs to be smoother, diamond grind

West Downing and West Shawnee streets were both built with an aggregate surface. The cracks in these surfaces are breaking and filling with grass. They continue to deteriorate. Street parking reduces driving lanes to essentially one-way during evenings and weekends. Both roads get substantial traffic as vehicles make their way into the public schools. Existing sidewalks are severely damaged, uneven and missing in spots.

Pendleton - Jones to Vinita

Lena from Shawnee to Fullerton to be included with the E Boone project. Expansion of both hospitals has caused significant damage to both roads due to overuse.

Na

None

4th street from TCU to Muskogee Ave. It is far too narrow and in poor shape. It was not designed to handle the level of traffic that is on it daily.

Allow two left turn lanes from Downing to Bypass with an additional flashing amber for more cars

Park Hill Road bypass to Willis Road. It is currently dangerous and congested.

Mill Street! It's a dirt road with large pot holes that many people drive.

Muskogee avenue due to the amount of people walking

1. My kids can't cross the road at first and muskogee because there's no crosswalk button and the light changes too fast to cross the street. 2. It would be nice to have crosswalks at choctaw and bluff, again it's hard for the kids, who go to Greenwood, to cross Bluff. And people drive too fast down bluff. 3. It's impossible to walk to Walmart/Reasor's. Even with all the new sidewalks on Muskogee. The sidewalks end before the intersection to the grocery stores. Please extend the sidewalks to Walmart/Reasor's, and put in a nice long walk signal at that intersection.

Sidewalks on Allen - Many Walkers with no safe path

No

Crafton - Bypass to Grand - it's a mess trying to decipher parking from driving lanes Harrison Street off Cedar - it's a one-lane trying to get from Subway to Cedar with two-way traffic

Crafton - Bypass to Grand Ave This road is very torn up in places and holds water when we have heavy rains. It is one of the main entrances to NSU and is not a good first impression of our city or university campus. It is difficult to distinguish between the road and parking.

East Fourth Street

NA

n/a

None

Allen Road to west by pass

Park Hill Road from bypass to ballentine: lots of pedestrians on a very narrow and dangerous road. Lots of potholes and poor street condition. 4th street from bypass to muskogee: again, many pedestrians and poor road condition with little to no sidewalks. Several years ago the city tore up the intersection of 4th and Maple and never came back to fix it.

Cedar to Ross needs work, as I drive this a lot to Oakwood area from Downing

N/a

N/A

N/A

None I can think of

None

Better access in and out of middle School & high school areas. Roundabouts and street expansion. Fix the mismatch street by the bus barn. Widen it all so traffic can flow with ease.

None specific

Na

Fixing crosswalks in downtown and making it more pedestrian friendly

N/A

West Seneca

Park Hill- bypass to Balentine

Water Street from Choctaw to First Street. That's one crazy street with its curves and nonsensical arrangement. No room to walk and has confusing turn options at Water and 1st.

Although it may not be considered a street project, more signage for tourists, let people know all Tahlequah has to offer with more city signage.

no additional

Most of the streets that need repair are not even on the list. Use the money to finish projects that are not finished yet! 4th Street East and West, West Choctaw from Muskogee to Hwy 51, Main Street from Choctaw to Grand,

None

Southridge Dr.

N/A

Echoes Ave from Mimosa to Park Hill

Park Hill

Good list

None

Crafton Street

Paint the railing on the Bluff, fix the road behind Napoles's where the water meters have sunk into the road. Widen park hill rd to help with overflow from muskogee

None

None

None

What happened to completing 4th street to bypass and hospital that was supposed to be done? What happened to finishing the Mission Park all the way around. Owens Street has not seen improvement for over 20 years. Many more of our inner streets need repair. Work on this first . I am tired of hearing that you are going to do something about streets. The old houses get purchased, and re built. Mission, state, Shawnee, keetowah. Keetowah circle can't get help on paving cause city says not their area and county doesn't help! Been going on for years! Annex this street in for decent street! When they do get it graded they push all to the side and residents can't get over the dirt to back out! Fix Tahlequah first!

None

Fourth street from bypass to Muskogee. It's littered with holes and rough patches that make everyday commute a hazard

None

No

No

none

Forth street from Downing to bypass. It's very bumpy

None

Park Hill Road from bypass to balentine

N/a

Fix the mess on east 4th street!!

4th from Muskogee to Bypass. It's disappointing that this didn't even make the list! It's an absolute nightmare and dangerous!

4th Street between the bypass and the bridge

South Moccasin

South Bryant road. Repair was done to part of the street north of 51 hwy. Just need to finish the street South it's in terrible condition.

Not enough info

Finish street connecting White Street and Parkhill

N/A

Moccasin road is needing fixing

Park Hill Road Ballentine to East Bypass. The road is falling apart and is very narrow.

None come to mind

We need speed bumps back on Jamestown street. Lots of kids play in this area and people speed down our road all the time. It's not safe. We had speed bumps but they took them away when they redid the water lines

Change the stop sign direction on Jamestown street to make Jamestown Drive have to stop to merge onto Jamestown street. It doesn't make sense for Jamestown street to have to stop while heading west on Jamestown street. Put speed bumps back on Jamestown street.

Fourth Street from TTCU to the Bridge has been terrible for more than 5 years. It is so bumpy and hard on vehicles. Pot holes constantly and overall terrible.

I think none of the above are important. Allen road to Bypass needs immediate fixing and 4th Street from the bypass to Muskogee. When is Muskogee going to be finished? Many of the street need fixing and the lane marking needs repainted immediately. I have almost had a wreck several times by people being on the wrong side of the road. I don't know who did the resurfacing of Allen Road to 51, but it is like riding a roller coaster. It is not level.

They all need help

4th Street from Owens Ave to Muskogee - Can't imagine how the city doesn't get sued for the manhole cover 2" below grade.

Na

na

Unsure

Southridge Rd. - S. Muskogee to Mill Rd. Area serves 5 subdivisions, The Pines Apts., Heritage Elementary, Tahlequah Fire Station #2, LDS Church, plus used to access UKB

NA

4th Street from Muskogee east to the bypass!!!

N/A

No additional street projects

No

No other recommendations. You are already working on Muskogee Ave and are working with the Cherokee Nation to continue those improvements.

N/A

Complete Muskogee Ave and the Roundabout north of town ASAP!

Oklahoma - downing to crafton

S Parkhill Rd, Bypass to Ballentine

4th street (Muskogee Ave - 62 hwy) that area could use major improvements.

Sidewalks everywhere.

Harrison Street needs massive street widening, sidewalks, and pothole fixes. This street is close to Downing and has high visibility.

NA

Traffic light at 4th st and Stickcross Mt. Rd

Yes

No

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Mill Road in its entirety. Pave. Increased usage and dusty. This should be listed as first priority.

Fox - bypass to Bryant. The road is almost impassible due to damage from heavy trucks during hauling materials from mud valley work.

Downing to Jones

More lighting or a crosswalk in front of Sav a lot on Downing. It is dark and people are always crossing the street at night between Sav a lot and Dollar General.

4th Street is full of potholes and gets lots of traffic, it desperately needs to be repaved

Don't really need any. We need the get done with all the road work already happening. It's taking too long and becoming dangerous.

No suggesstions

None

We need sidewalks all down Muskogee Ave.

NHS desperately needs help. It rains inside when it's raining outside, there are a conglomerate of trashcans placed in the floor throughout the facility when it rains. If it rains anything over a light speed the windows leak and we have to place towels at the bases to capture it. Our HVAC rarely works as it needs to and we and our patients are constantly working/healing in too hot or too cold (too humid) environments. It's also outdated and just in general disrepair.

None

n/a

Fourth Street- Bypass to Muskogee- terrible potholes and large bumped causing more wear and tear on vehicles than reasonable. Coffee Hollow- 62 through Stickcross. Huge potholes, uneven, breakdown from natural spring, and 20 years overdue for stop signs at Coffee Hollow and Clyde Meyer!

N/A

Improvements to the Men and Women's Shelter

NA

Downing from bypass to Muskogee Ave. Needs repaving AND more importantly repainted. Would be nice to have middle turn lane

Na

None.

Na

Stop signs/ Lights on Bliss Ave. on the east side Of Northeastern Health System

Changing the light functionality at stickcross and bypass. Left turn from stickcross needs to have a dedicated turn signal not just a yielded one. Would relieve congestion coming north from stickcross.

fix 4th street because hard on vehicles

No

Traffic Circle on Main Intersection near Wal-Mart. Maybe even close Wal-Mart enter/exit road and redirect. (Right turn only and exit elsewhere.) Traffic is ALWAYS backed up during medium/heavy traffic

W Keetoowah- bypass to choctaw- very rough. pot holes that get temporary patches that dont last long. edges of road deteriorated to where you have to drive in oncoming lane

4th Street and Maple Avenue resurfacing that the neighborhood has been waiting YEARS for.

A walking trail around both hospitals

e balentine

I don't have any suggestions.

I would love to see more traffic circles. I think they speed the flow of traffic.

none

4th Street - Basin to Bypass

Pedestrian footbridges over the Bypass, especially at Downing but also at Ross and Allen would be good.

N/a

N/A

No

N/A

na

NA

N/A

Low water bridge on Minor

none

4th St, by TCU bank

Na

Hwy 82C, better wider roads

I have none other to recommend at this time.

East 4th street from bypass to Basin Ave has extensive pot holes and is one of the worst streets in town. Should be done as east 4th street was completed and is much better.

na

Na

NO

Graham Ave from 4th street down to Lisa Ann Needs a sidewalk. Graham Ave also needs a street sign at 4th and lighting at least to Lisa Ann. My daughter has almost been hit by cars while walking to her school-bus-stop at 4th and Graham Ave.

7th street.

n/a

Muskogee Ave downtown and Downing as it r/t rain water.

Fix what you start before you begin new ones and stripe the streets. Parkhill road the most dangerous street in Tahlequah.

No

None at this time.

Na

No

Cross walks desperately need to be added in front of Walmart and reasors. That main intersection between chili's, Walmart and reasors has sooo many walkers each day that cannot safely cross to get groceries

There isn't a street in town that doesn't need help! Example: Fourth Street from Ross Bypass to S. Muskogee. There are patches on top of patches and some so rough & worn they could damage a tire or an axle. I'm surprised it isn't on the list - or did I just miss it?

n/a

4th street, Hwy 62 to Basin

Fourth street from the bypass to the bridge - lines are needed on the road. Expand the walking trail system - expand the Reasors

Downing- Muskogee Ave to College. The road is narrow, rocks fall from the hillside into the road, and the cars from Provalus stick out in the street. Muskogee Ave/Grand- First st to Locke Supply. Various spots are trash, especially in the heart of downtown and through NSU campus.

N/A Like the current ideas listed. Would love to see all listed areas recieve sidewalks (eventually)

I would like to see a dedicated turn lane or a protected light at Muskogee and Willis Road. With the added traffic of school drop off/pickup using Willis at Heritage and all of the new UKB buildings, I anticipate more accidents at that intersection. Also, Park Hill road pedestrian traffic is out of control. I'm not sure what the solution is, sidewalks aren't really feasible this far out but there are so many walking, biking, etc. that it's very dangerous, especially at night. Added lights along the roadway would even help.

N.Cedar AVE

Fourth Street, one of the most frequented roads in town that runs down the center of Tahlequah, is embarrassing and is not even on this list of considerations. I had family come to visit me from Texas, and they laughed at it. The road needs to be completely redone from the bypass to Muskogee Avenue and beyond. There should also be sidewalks and security lights all along this road. A lot of homeless people and junkies generate heavy foot traffic from College Avenue to Owl City, going back and forth from the park, and I've almost hit them on numerous occasions. The unseemly types would be less likely to frequent this area if there were adequate lighting, I suspect. I would also point out that there are a lot of school bus stops along Fourth Street, making this what I believe to be an urgent consideration. I think the current Pound Master, Vicky Green, and her employees need to be fired. Numerous people post on Google reviews about how unresponsive they are; knowing that I'm not the only one is my only recompense. What is the city going to do when a dog gets out, bites someone, and the pound's unresponsiveness makes this a city liability? I understand that a limited budget and minimal space is more than likely an issue, but come on, Tahlequah—we can do better than this. As Tahlequah grows, so should our services, and this appears to



4th St between Muskogee Ave and the bypass.

East 4th Street from Muskogee Ave to Bypass

4th Street and S. Maple Ave

4th street

Widen East 4th street between bypass and Muskogee as road is very narrow and in poor condition for as much traffic as uses it, or could but avoid because of poor conditions. Extend S Lena Avenue to E Ross to alleviate congestion on Boone and Ross at key times. Difficult to turn south on bypass safely off Boone. Redirect Powell Rd and how it connects to Park Hill as that's a dangerous curve and should not have the right of way to Park Hill. Major traffic congestion on Park Hill unsure which direction people will go, if they will turn on Powell Rd and also hard to turn at stop sign at that intersection as it's a blind curve, which might be helped if trees/brush was eliminated on curve on Powell Rd just east of Park Hill. Stop sign on Powell Rd to yield to Park Hill as it's the main road at that intersection. Fix water leak that has existed in Cochran Real Estate for well over a year that not only costs us in water costs, but continued road repair where it continues to damage Park Hill. Paint new curbing along Muskogee as some places it's difficult to see drives vs curb. Paint curbing and sidewalk at 4th and Muskogee, Hit-n-Run, as cars have gotten stuck there not knowing there's now a drop off and can't see it. Also dangerous for walkers who are much lower now than the gas pumps at Hit-n-Run

Speed bumps and deterrents added to White Ave due to excessive speed of thru traffic. White Ave is a residential neighborhood with many families with children and even a home daycare, but it is also unfortunately utilized as a shortcut from the Bypass to Balentine with vehicles traveling at speeds too fast for a neighborhood. It's extremely dangerous. Additionally due to the current road construction on White Ave, the stop sign at the crossroad of White Ave and Kelly St. was removed. This stop sign was the thing that forced drivers to slow down, though the drivers still sped to the stop sign each way. As a resident of White Ave, I have personally witnessed cars traveling at extensive speeds several times a day, every single day, and it is incredibly dangerous for my own children. My children have been nearly hit getting out of the car, they've almost been hit getting off the bus, and it's now to the point that I am extremely nervous at anytime we are in the front yard. This is extremely unfair to my children and the other children of the neighborhood who should be able to utilize the road for activity such as riding a bike or even just taking a walk with an adult. If the city does not take action, someone will eventually be hit and seriously hurt by one of these speeding cars, I promise you that it is inevitable.

More cross walks

Fourth Street- Bypass to Muskogee

East 4th

Create another outlet from Southridge to bypass/cut down on south muskogee traffic.

Maple Ave - Hickory to 4th St. The sidewalk from Greenwood Elementary abruptly stops at Hickory. Students continuing on Maple must navigate a steep hill which limits the visibility of oncoming motorists and deep gutters with no safe space to walk. Motorists speed from 4th street to the stop sign on Hickory, putting school children at risk.

Permanently repair the potholes that are already present on the 5 year multi million dollar Muskogee Avenue project. There is a pot hole or several near the light at Muskogee and 4th

None

4th street from Muskogee ave to the highway 62 worst road in the city

N/A

N East Ave, Downing to Normal St - this area is patched multiple times throughout every year, which has built up to create an extremely rough patch of road in an area which has a surprising amount of traffic due to the throughline from Downing to NSU's campus.

Stick Ross Mtn. Rd. (specifically the part between HWY 51B and Daisy Dr) There are NO lines painted at this time and it makes morning and evening commutes so frustrating because people don't know there is a turn lane to get onto Daisy Dr so they block straight through traffic on Stick Ross Mtn. Rd. There is also a huge ripple in the asphalt right where Daisy Dr meets Stick Ross and people swerve to miss it so they don't hurt their own vehicle, but at the same time are swerving into the turning lane. It's chaos and it's been this way every single weekday for the 5 years I have lived on Stick Ross.

Fourth street s. Muskogee to Bertha bypass

Based on visitors to Tahlequah and NSU: Crafton - 82 to Grand; North St. by the Event center; Allen - 82 to Vinita - all of these are uneven, with potholes and unmarked lanes. They must be higher traffic then anything listed above.

4th street is the worst street in town and it's never on these. I have to take it every day for work it sucks

Please update the library and think about the kids more.

Service roads running north and south in front of Wal-Mart and Reasons on the East and West sides of Muskogee Avenue. These service roads could run to South Ridge Road and the Cherokee Casino. This would help elevate traffic at the intersection of Muskogee and the Bypass. A turn lane on the west bypass heading south would be beneficial as well.

Increase painting of lane information for safety of pedestrians and drivers.

