

New rules for road construction in La Crosse won't necessarily mandate additional sidewalks and bus stops . But they certainly could. The so-called Complete Streets ordinance is likely to get a vote next month by the city council. The ordinance will simply force city engineers to consider all forms of transportation when planning road projects. But there's some common sense that will come with the ordinance, says city engineer Randy Turtenwald. For example, he says bike lanes won't be created on streets too narrow to sustain them. On-street parking also won't be sacrificed in neighborhoods so that bike travel can be made easier. Complete Streets also requires the city to consider decreasing water run-off when doing road projects .