

Swanston Street Tram Improvements

Grattan Street to Franklin Street

Tram improvement works are to commence on Swanston Street (Grattan Street to Franklin Street) from Friday 26 August through until mid October 2011.

The project involves construction of two pairs of accessible platform tram stops, the installation of new yellow raised dividing strip, the installation of new concrete kerbing to separate bicycle lanes and traffic lanes and also traffic signal changes.

Construction of the new accessible platform tram stops will require changes to be made to the existing Copenhagen-style bicycle lanes adjacent to the 66 metre long platforms. The changes involve the retention of the 2metre wide bicycle lane and the installation of new 300mm wide concrete bicycle lane separation kerbing (as seen in the diagram below) to replace the existing 1000mm wide concrete kerbing.

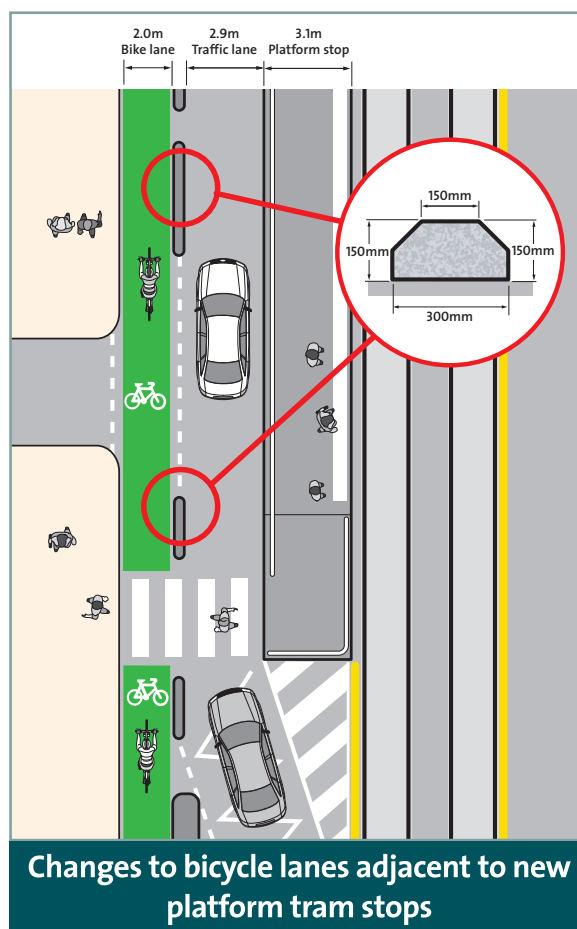
The new concrete bicycle lane separation kerbing will be the same height as the existing kerbing and will continue to provide raised physical separation between bicycles and motor vehicles. The bicycle lanes adjacent to the platforms will be coloured green.

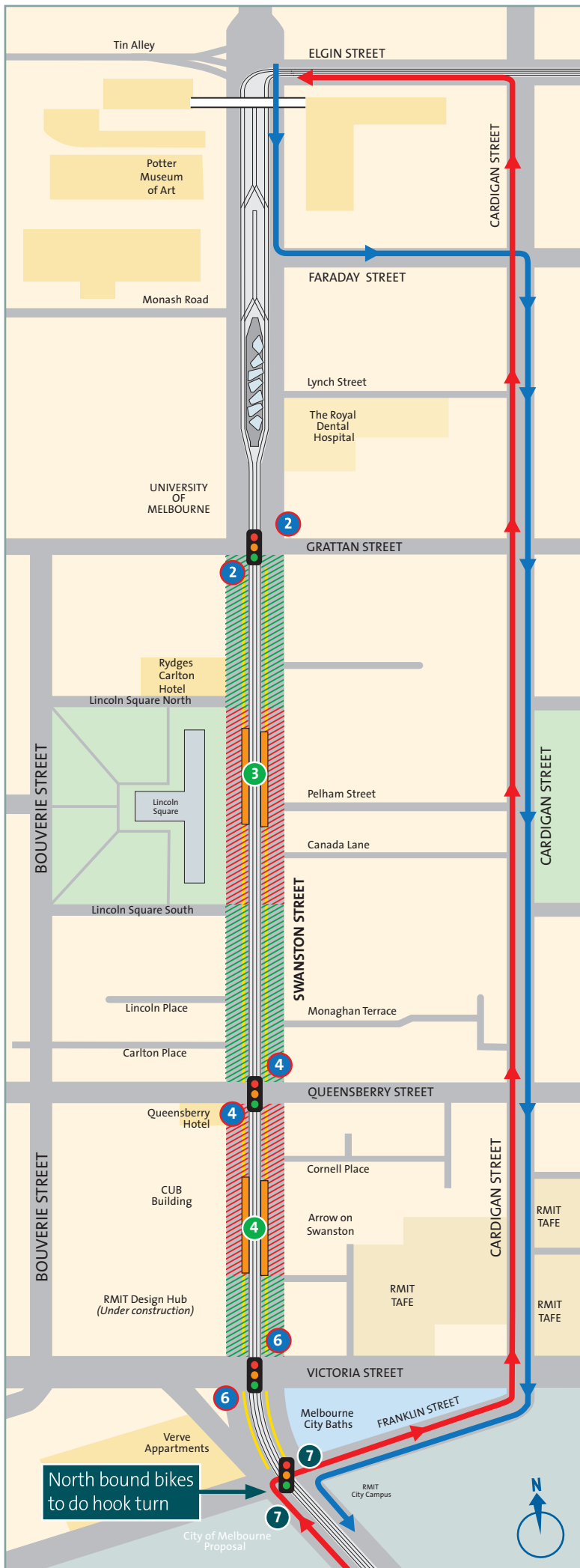
A Tramway will also be installed from Grattan Street to Victoria Street to create a tram-only reserve. Vehicles may not turn across a Tramway (marked by overhead signage and continuous yellow raised dividing strips). Installation of the Tramway will assist safer movements for cyclists because vehicles will no longer be able to make right turns or u-turns across Swanston Street between intersections.

Swanston Street will be closed to all vehicles including bicycles over the weekends of 26 – 29 August and 9 – 11 September 2011. During these times an alternative bicycle detour route will be in

place (see map over the page). When this detour is in place, northbound cyclists will be encouraged to make a hook-turn at Franklin Street for safety reasons.

Pedestrian crossings at either end of the platform tram stops will provide safer access to trams. Cyclists using the new bicycle lanes will be required to give way to pedestrians on the crossings as they cross the bicycle lanes to the platform stops.





Recommended detour route for cyclists

- Friday 26 August (9pm) – Monday 28 August (6am)
- Friday 9 September (9pm) – Monday 11 September (6am)



Further information

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