GENERAL CONCEPTS
CASCADE AVENUE CONCEPT
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Concept Discussion
Make Some North-South Streets Discontinuous.

This concept was suggested in an effort to reduce traffic volumes on adjacent residential streets and cut down on traffic circulating while looking for a parking space. Routes thru the residential areas adjacent to Cascade Ave would be disrupted.

The thru routes are easy to follow and relatively uncongested. All other routes are somewhat difficult to follow and offer no time savings or safety improvement over the designated route.

S. 2nd St. is the bypass route for the downtown area. It is designated a Minor Arterial and is an important part of the transportation system. It could not be made discontinuous without changing the functional classification street system in the area and rerouting traffic to local streets.

S. 4th Street and S. 5th Street are already discontinuous, with offset intersections at Spring Street. With Spring Street one way east bound, there is little traffic using either street as a through street.

S. 6th Street is a Collector Street in the recent update of the City Comprehensive Plan. It operates in conjunction with Maple Street, Walnut Street and Hazel Street to provide a needed street system to connect a large residential neighborhood with the River Falls Arterial Street System. Theses streets also serve to provide an orderly flow of traffic in the area without forcing traffic on to Cascade Ave.

Only 3rd Street now has a connection to the north and is not part of the Functional Classification System. The intersection with Spring Street has a slight offset between the north and south sides. With 2nd Street being a through street from Division Street to Cascade Ave, it is unlikely that much traffic uses 3rd Street as an alternate route.

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