

STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING #3
October 13, 2011





### **MEETING AGENDA**

- 1. Alternatives & Evaluation Matrix
- 2. Operating Plan
- 3. Ridership Estimates
- 4. Preliminary Cost Estimates
- 5. Project Wrap-up & Final Report Schedule
- 6. Thank You for Participating
- 7. Conclusion

Following the meeting please meet us downstairs for a display of vintage & Siemens Ultra-Short vehicles.



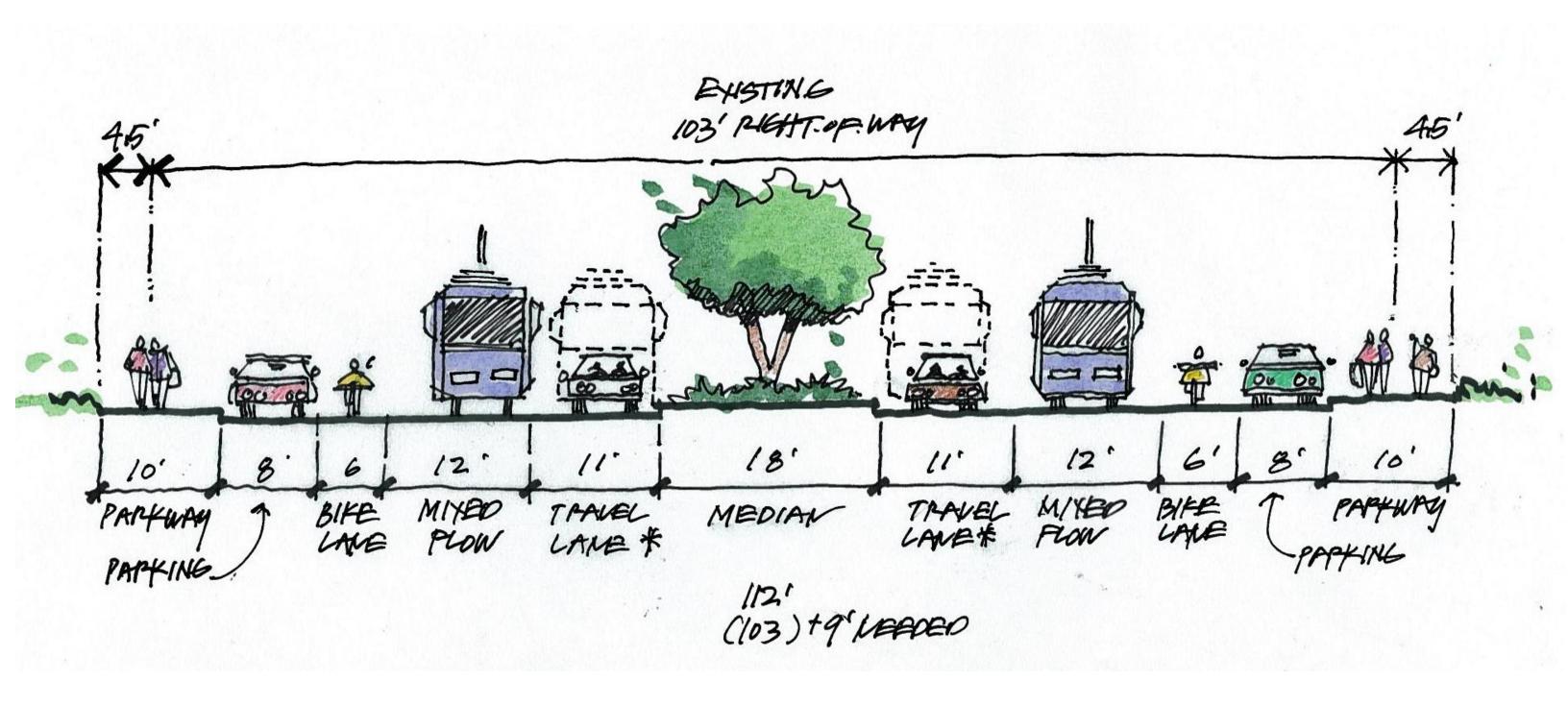




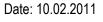
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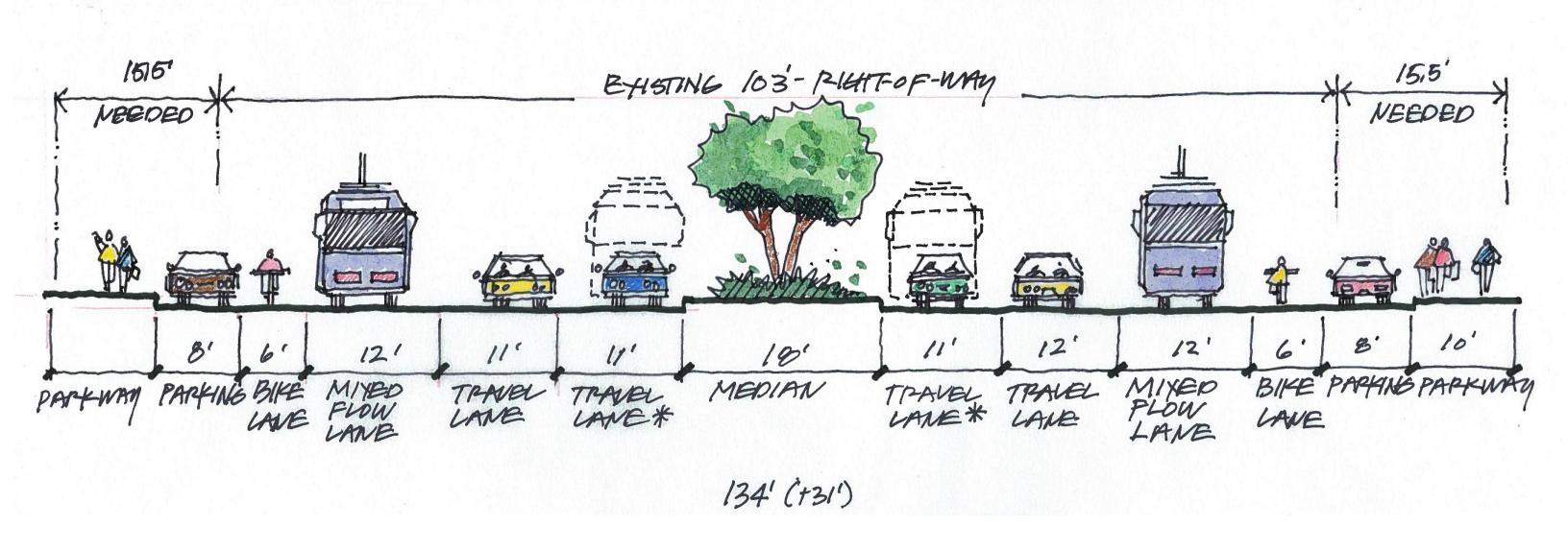




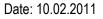
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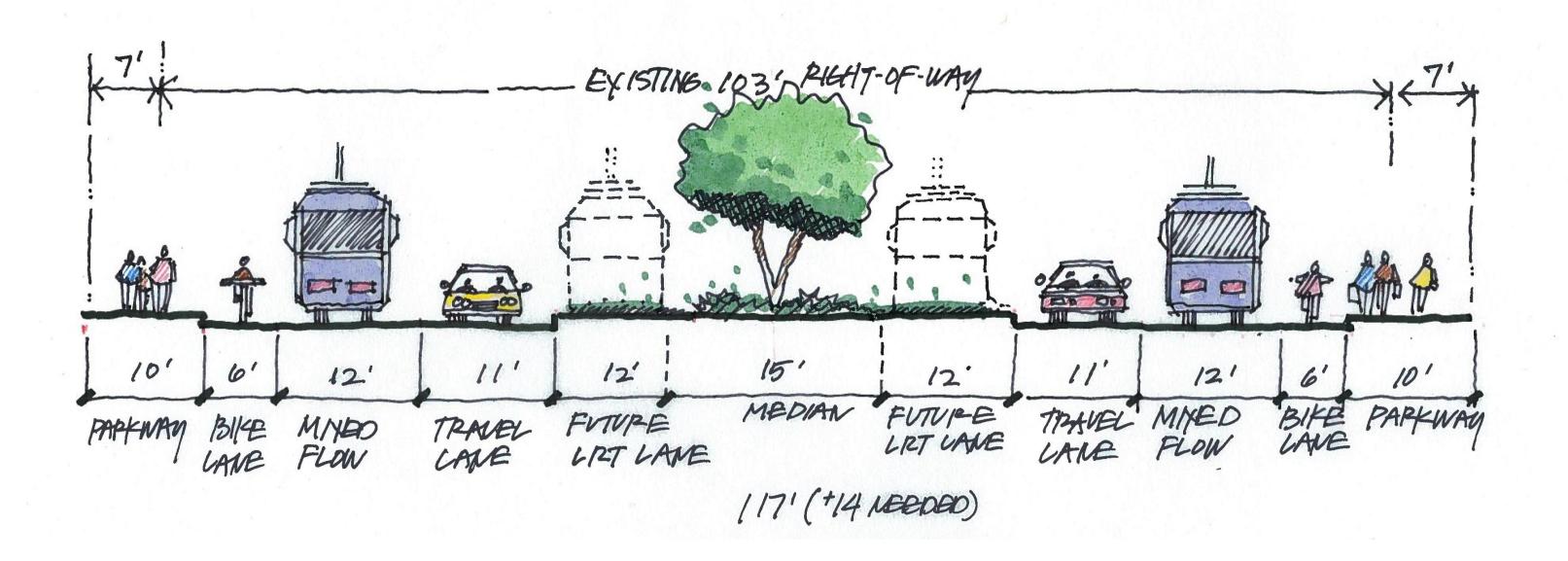




**CONCEPT 2: New Travel Lane Converted as Future Exclusive LRT Lanes** 



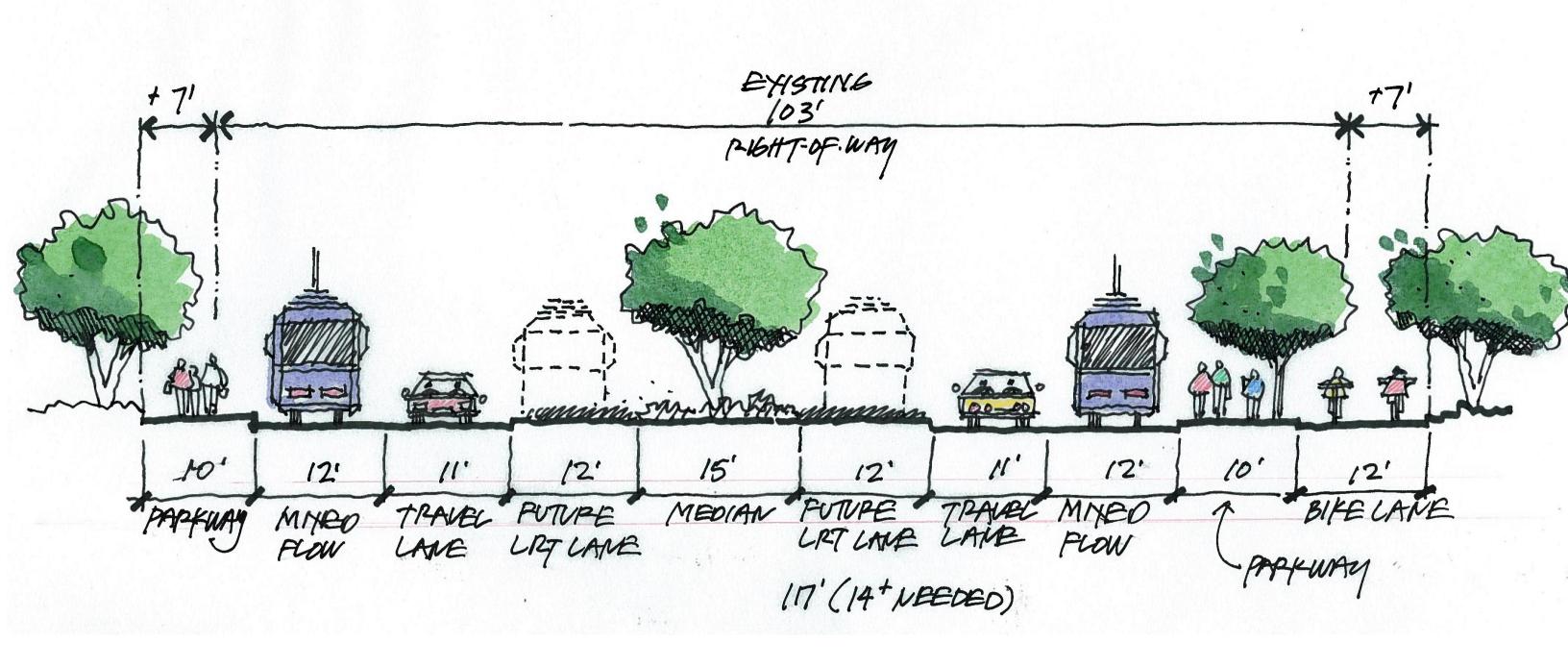




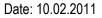
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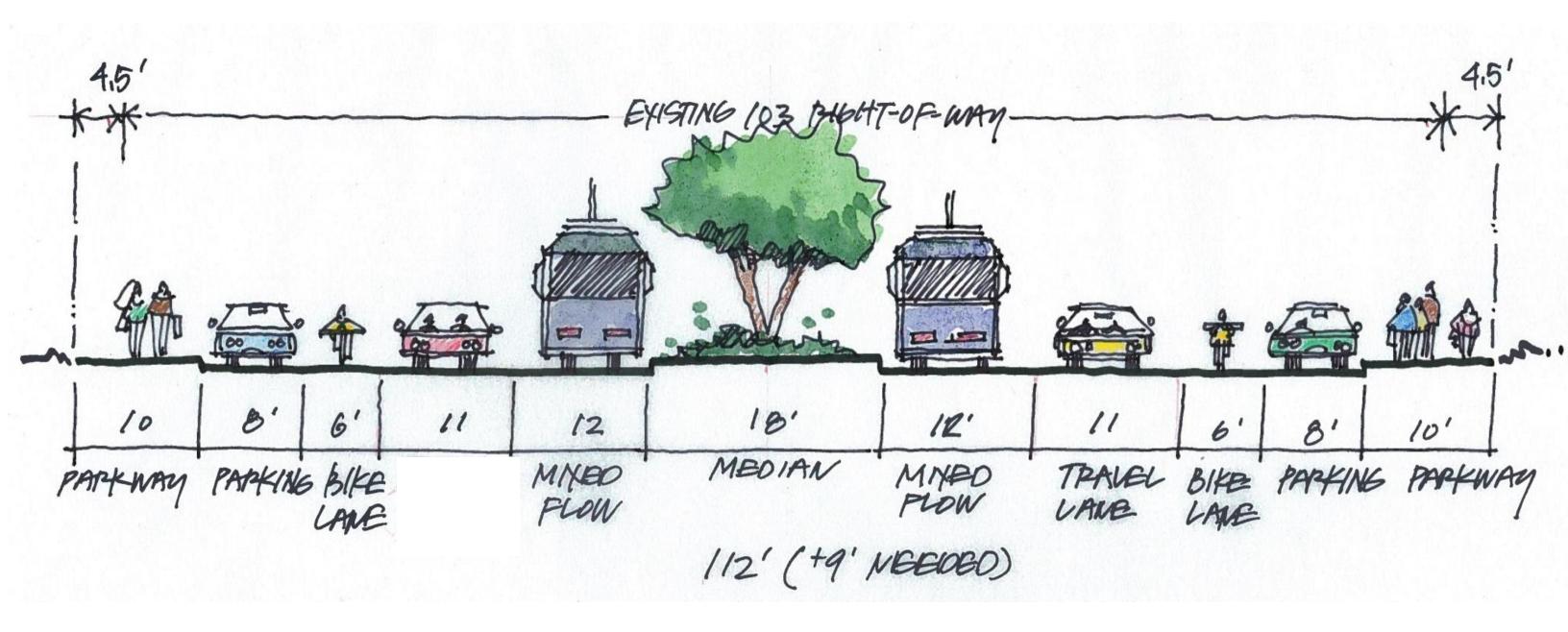




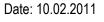
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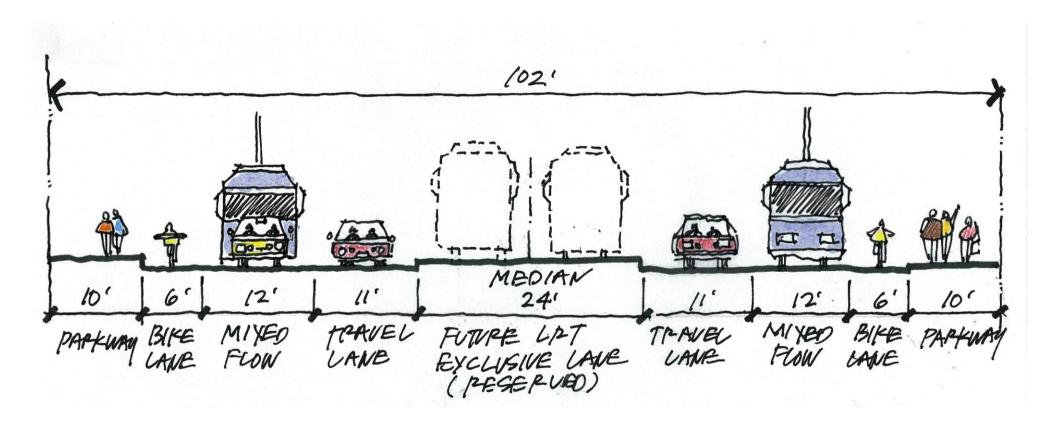




**CONCEPT 4: Median Running Streetcar / No Provisions for Future LRT** 





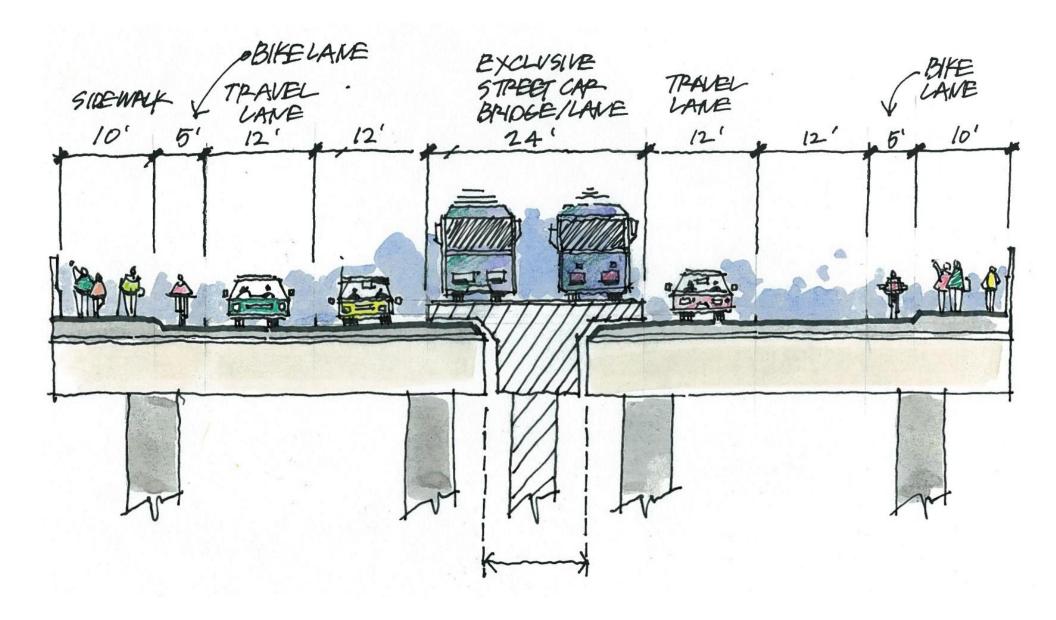


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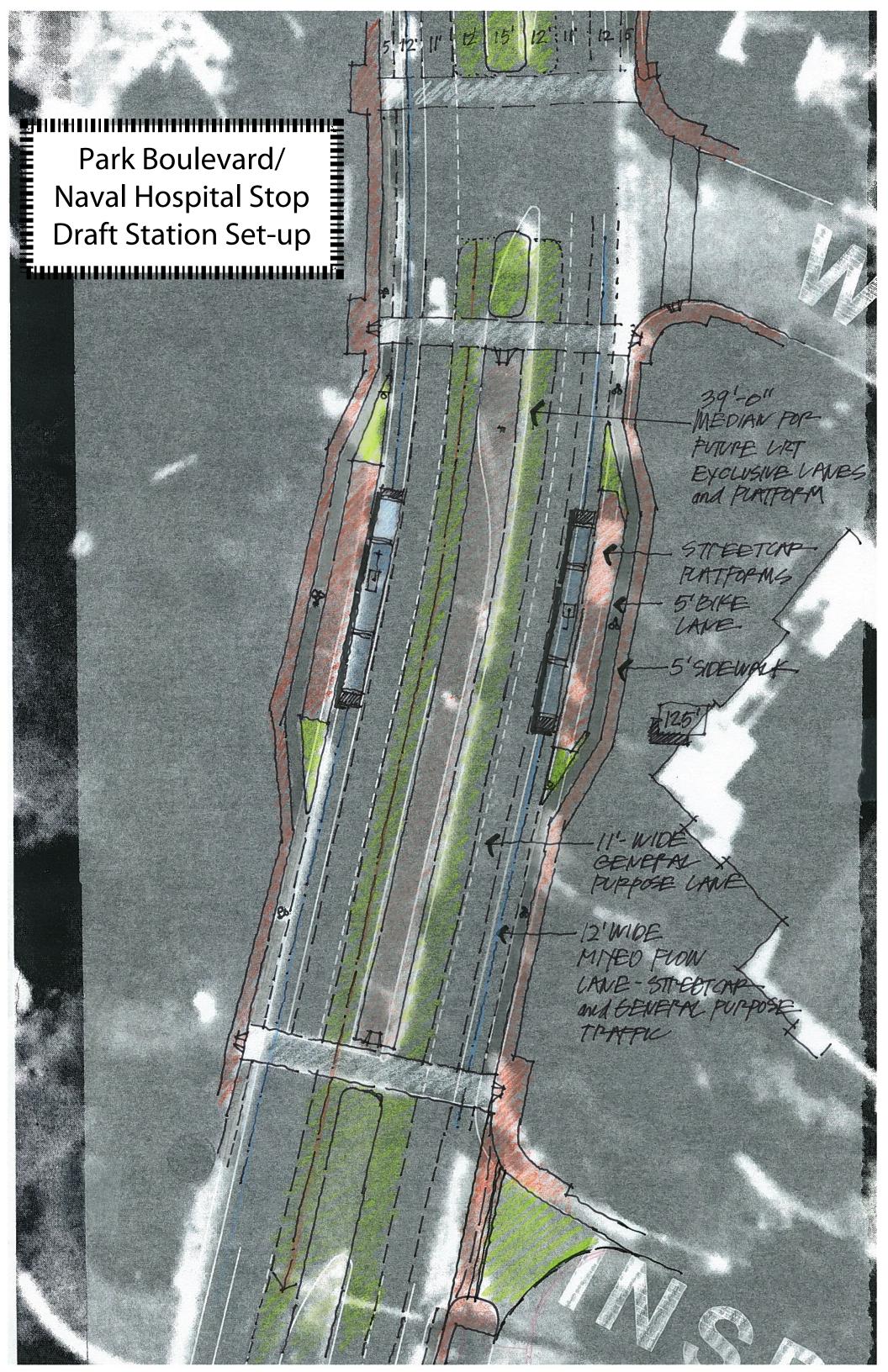


**Interstate 5 Bridge** 









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0 | Does not apply

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- 1 | Low (worst solution)
- 2 | Medium
- 3 | High (best solution)

|   |               |               |               | o I High (best solution) |                  |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| ENGINEERING FEASIBILITY   | Alternative 1 | Alternative 2 | Alternative 3 | Alternative 4            | General Comments |
| Interstate 5 Bridge   |               |               |               |                          |                  |
| Minimize impacts to the existing bridge crossing over Interstate 5  | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0                        |                  |
| Pedestrian Bridge   |               |               |               |                          |                  |
| Minimizes conflicts between right-of-way and pedestrian bridge  | 3             | 1             | 3             | 3                        |                  |
| Utilities   |               |               |               |                          |                  |
| Minimize impacts to existing above- and below-grade utilities   | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0                        |                  |
| R.O.W. Requirements   |               |               |               |                          |                  |
| Minimizes the need for additional right-of-way  | 3             | 1             | 2             | 3                        |                  |
| Vehicles  |               |               |               |                          |                  |
| Maximizes flexibility in the vehicle types that may be used   | 3             | 3             | 3             | 1                        |                  |
| Length of Alignment   |               |               |               |                          |                  |
| Minimizes the length of track miles needed for operations, including turn-around requirements for single-ended/sided vehicles | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0                        |                  |
| SUBTOTAL SCORE  | 9             | 5             | 8             | 7                        |                  |
|   |               |               |               |                          |                  |





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|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---|------------------|
| OPERATIONAL FEASIBILITY  | Alternative 1 | Alternative 2 | Alternative 3 | Alternative 4   | General Comments |
| On-street Parking Conflicts  |               |               |               |   |                  |
| Minimizes the number of on-street parking spaces eliminated  | 2             | 2             | 1             | 3   |                  |
| Vehicular/Auto Conflicts   |               |               |               |   |                  |
| Minimizes impacts to auto traffic flow (pre-LRT)   | 2             | 3             | 2             | 2   |                  |
| Minimizes impacts to auto traffic flow (post-LRT)  | 2             | 3             | 3             | 0   |                  |
| Minimizes turn-movement conflicts with autos at intersections<br>(pre-LRT)   | 2             | 2             | 2             | 1   |                  |
| Minimizes turn-movement conflicts with autos at intersections (post-LRT)   | 1             | 2             | 2             | 0   |                  |
| Bicycle Conflicts  |               |               |               |   |                  |
| Minimizes conflicts with existing and proposed bicycle<br>improvements. Increases safety and enhances connectivity | 2             | 2             | 2             | 3   |                  |
| Pedestrian Conflicts   |               |               |               |   |                  |
| Minimizes conflicts with existing and proposed pedestrian improvements. Increases safety and enhances connectivity | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0   |                  |
| Maximizes passenger safety at stations. Minimizes passenger troffic crossings necessary to reach activity centers  | 3             | 3             | 3             | 2   |                  |
| Station Locations  |               |               |               |   |                  |
| Stations are located at key activity centers   | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0   |                  |
| Stations serve other regional transit connections  | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0   |                  |
| Sub-station Requirements   |               |               |               |   |                  |
| Minimizes the number of sub-stations required and the location of sub-stations has minimal impact                  | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0   |                  |
| Ridership Potential  |               |               |               |   |                  |
| Maximizes ridership opportunities  | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0   |                  |
| Headway Requirements   |               |               |               |   |                  |
| Provides the most flexible headway frequencies/options   | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0   |                  |
| System Integration   |               |               |               |   |                  |
| Compatible with existing LRT (trolley) systems   | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0   |                  |
| Alignment can expand into larger streetcar network   | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0   |                  |
| Alignment most compatible with conversion of Mid-City Rapid to future LRT  | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0   |                  |



OPERATIONAL SUBTOTAL SCORE



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|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|--|------------------|
| COST FEASIBILITY   | Alternative 1 | Alternative 2 | Alternative 3 | Alternative 4  | General Comments |
| Capital Cost   |               |               |               |  |                  |
| Low initial capital cost<br>Highest potential for private investment | 3             | 1             | 2             | 3  |                  |
| Operational Cost   |               |               |               |  |                  |
| Low operational cost; funding sources; partnering sources            | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0  |                  |
| Cost Effectiveness   |               |               |               |  |                  |
| Total cost per new rider is low.<br>Total cost per passenger mile    | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0  |                  |
| COST FEASIBILITY SUBTOTAL SCORE                                      | 3             | 1             | 2             | 3  |                  |





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| OTHERS   |                            | Alternative 1 | Alternative 2 | Alternative 3 | Alternative 4 | General Comments |
|--|----------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|
| Environmental Issues                                   |                            |               |               |               |               |                  |
| Air Quality  |                            |               |               |               |               |                  |
| Biology Resources                                      |                            |               |               |               |               |                  |
| Climate Change Community and Neighborhood              |                            |               |               |               |               |                  |
| Economic and Fiscal                                    |                            |               |               |               |               |                  |
| Environmental Justice                                  |                            |               |               |               |               |                  |
| Geotechnical   |                            |               |               |               |               |                  |
| Historic/Cultural                                      |                            |               | _             |               | _             |                  |
| Hydrology and Water Quality                            |                            | 1             | 3             | 3             | 2             |                  |
| Land Use   |                            |               |               |               |               |                  |
| Light & Glare  |                            |               |               |               |               |                  |
| Noise and Vibration                                    |                            |               |               |               |               |                  |
| Open Space/Park Lands (Section 4)                      | 9                          |               |               |               |               |                  |
| Traffic  |                            |               |               |               |               |                  |
| Visual/Aesthetics                                      |                            |               |               |               |               |                  |
| Minimizes traffic circulation                          |                            | 1             | 3             | 3             | 1             |                  |
| Minimizes amount of park take                          |                            | 3             | 1             | 2             | 3             |                  |
| Consistency with Planning Docume                       | nts                        |               |               |               |               |                  |
| Consistent with SANDAG 2050 RTP                        | and associated planning    | _             | _             |               |               |                  |
| documents  | ,                          | 3             | 3             | 3             | 1             |                  |
| Consistent with CiSD Bicycle Maste                     | r Plan                     | 3             | 3             | 3             | 3             |                  |
| Consistent with CiSD Balboa Park N                     | Master Plan Central Mesa   | 3             | 2             | 3             | 3             |                  |
| Precise Plan   |                            |               | _             |               |               |                  |
| Consistent with CiSD Balboa Park N Promenade Amendment | Aaster Plan Park Blvd.     | 3             | 3             | 3             | 3             |                  |
|  |                            |               |               |               |               |                  |
| Consistent with CiSD Parking Mana                      | gement Action Plan for     | 3             | 3             | 3             | 3             |                  |
| Balboa Park  |                            |               |               |               |               |                  |
| Consistent with San Diego City Coll                    | ago Eggilities Master Plan | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0             |                  |
| Consistent with Sun Diego City Coll                    | ege racilities waster rian | U             | U             | U             | U             |                  |
| Consistent with CISD/CCDC Downto                       | own Community Plan         | 3             | 3             | 3             | 3             |                  |
|  | 2                          | -             | ,             |               | ,             |                  |
| Complete Streets                                       |                            |               |               |               |               |                  |
| Alternative provides the best oppos                    | rtunity for a Complete     | 3             | 3             | 3             | 3             |                  |
| Streets Approach Economic Development                  |                            |               |               |               |               |                  |
|  |                            |               |               |               |               |                  |
| Maximizes economic development                         | along the corridor         | 1             | 1             | 1             | 1             |                  |
| Stakeholder items                                      |                            |               |               |               |               |                  |
| Addresses other stakeholder issues                     |                            | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0             |                  |
| Known Issues/Advantages                                |                            |               |               |               |               |                  |
|  |                            | 0             | 0             | 0             | 0             |                  |
|  | "OTHERS" SUBTOTAL SCORE    | 27            | 28            | 30            | 26            |                  |
| TOTAL SCORE  |                            | 53            | 51            | 55            | 47            |                  |
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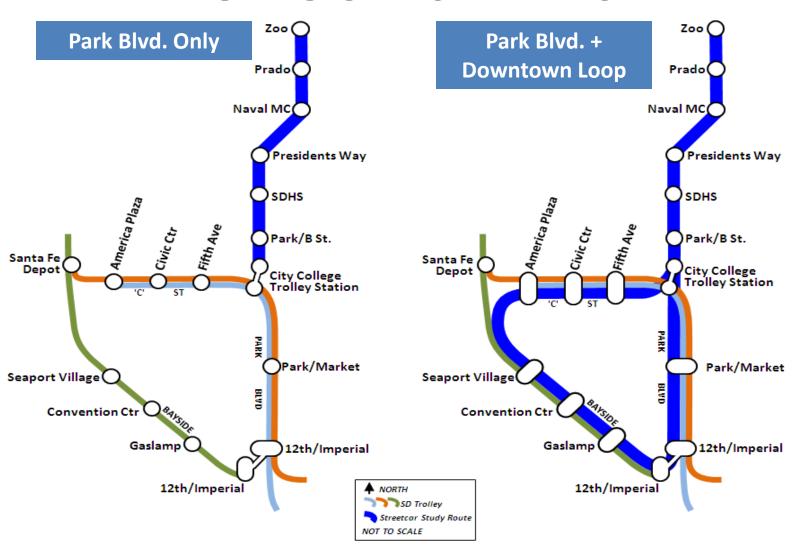


**Operating Plan** 





# TWO ROUTES EVALUATED







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- 1) Park Blvd. Only (City College Trolley Station San Diego Zoo)
  - Shorter route reduces cost, vehicle requirement
  - Least complicated, better reliability
  - Less ridership potential due to transfer
- 2) Park Blvd. + Downtown Loop (Clockwise or Counter Clockwise)
  - Direct route to Park Blvd. from all downtown stations
  - Increased ridership potential
  - Requires more vehicles, much higher operating cost
  - Significant conflict with Trolley operations





#### TWO ROUTES EVALUATED

| Estimates                  | Park Blvd. Only | Park + Dwtn Loop |
|----------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Round-trip mileage         | 2.9 miles       | 6.2 miles        |
| Round-trip time            | 20-23 min.      | 47-50 min.       |
| Stations Served            | 7 stations      | 15 stations      |
| Vehicles Required          | 2-3 cars        | 5-6 cars         |
| Annual Passengers          | 377,000         | 490,000          |
| Est. Annual Operating Cost | \$1.07 million  | \$2.14 million   |

Park Blvd. Only: Routing chosen for further analysis in this feasibility study.





### **OPERATING ASSUMPTIONS**

- Days: Service 7 days a week
- Hours: 8 AM 6 PM Everyday
  - Most park attractions within 9 AM 5 PM
  - Extended hours possible seasonally/special events, but not factored in operating plan
- Frequency: Every 15 minutes
  - Projected ridership doesn't warrant higher frequency
  - Less frequency would lose significant riders
- Alternative: Alternative 3 or 3a, with a stub end and/or turntable at terminals (no turnaround loops)







**Ridership Estimates** 





#### RIDERSHIP CONSIDERATIONS

Ridership/market data from Route 7
SANDAG 2050 RTP

Peer cities streetcar systems
Current and future land use practices
Light rail experience and literature
Operating plan

| Streetcar Ridership Projection |         |               |  |  |  |
|--------------------------------|---------|---------------|--|--|--|
| Day Type                       | Annual  | Average Daily |  |  |  |
| Weekday                        | 279,000 | 1,100         |  |  |  |
| Weekend                        | 98,000  | 1,800         |  |  |  |
| Total                          | 377,000 |               |  |  |  |







**Preliminary Cost Estimates** 





| CITY/PARK STREETCAR FEASIBILITY STUDY –DRAFT        | 10/12/2011          |
|---|---------------------|
| ORDER-OF-MAGNITUDE CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATE       |                     |
|   | Item Total (\$)     |
| GUIDEWAY & TRACK ELEMENTS                           | \$<br>20,179,000.00 |
|   |                     |
| STATION PLATFORMS                                   | \$<br>3,424,200.00  |
|   |                     |
| SUPPORT FACILITIES: YARDS, SHOPS, ADMIN BLDGS       | \$<br>-             |
|   |                     |
| SITE WORK & SPECIAL CONDITIONS                      | \$<br>10,637,000.00 |
|   |                     |
| SYSTEMS   | \$<br>8,875,000.00  |
|   |                     |
| CONSTRUCTION SUBTOTAL                               | \$<br>43,115,200.00 |
|   |                     |
| R.O.W, LAND, & EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS                | \$<br>-             |
|   |                     |
| PROFESSIONAL SERVICES                               | \$<br>16,814,928.00 |
|   |                     |
| CONSTRUCTION, ROW, & PROFESSIONAL SERVICES SUBTOTAL | \$<br>59,930,128.00 |
|   |                     |
| TOTAL PROJECT COST (EXCLUDING VEHICLES)             | \$<br>65,923,140.80 |







Project Wrap-up & Final Report Schedule
Thank You for Participating
Conclusion







Oct. – Dec. 2011Draft report

Dec. 2011 or Jan. 2012
 MTS Board of Directors Presentation

Jan. 2012Final Report







## **THANK YOU!**

Please look for updates at:

http://www.sdmts.com/streetcarstudy.asp







### **VEHICLE DISPLAY**

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