City of Cambridge Community Development Department

Pedestrian Committee Meeting

April 29, 2021











Meeting Agenda

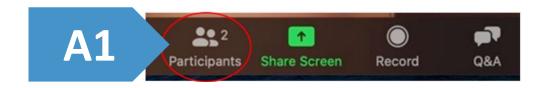
- 1. Zoom meeting protocols, minutes
- 2. Broadway/Third/Main Redesign
- 3. Street Lighting
- 4. National Issues/MUTCD
- 5. City Updates
- 6. Public Comment
- 7. Other Announcements



Minute taker: Erica Seidel

Committee Member Instructions

- Committee members may speak and show webcam video
- Use "Raise Hand" button to help manage discussion
 - Located at the bottom of the Participants panel (See A1-2 below) OR at the bottom of the screen (see B below)
 - *9 to Raise Hand by phone
- Please stay muted unless speaking
 - *6 to mute/unmute by phone







Public Comment Instructions

- Members of the public are muted and cannot show webcam video
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Minutes

Broadway/Third/Main Redesign



Kendall Square Urban Redevelopment Plan

2020 Kendall Square Urban Redevelopment Area Streetscape Redesign Main, Broadway, and Third

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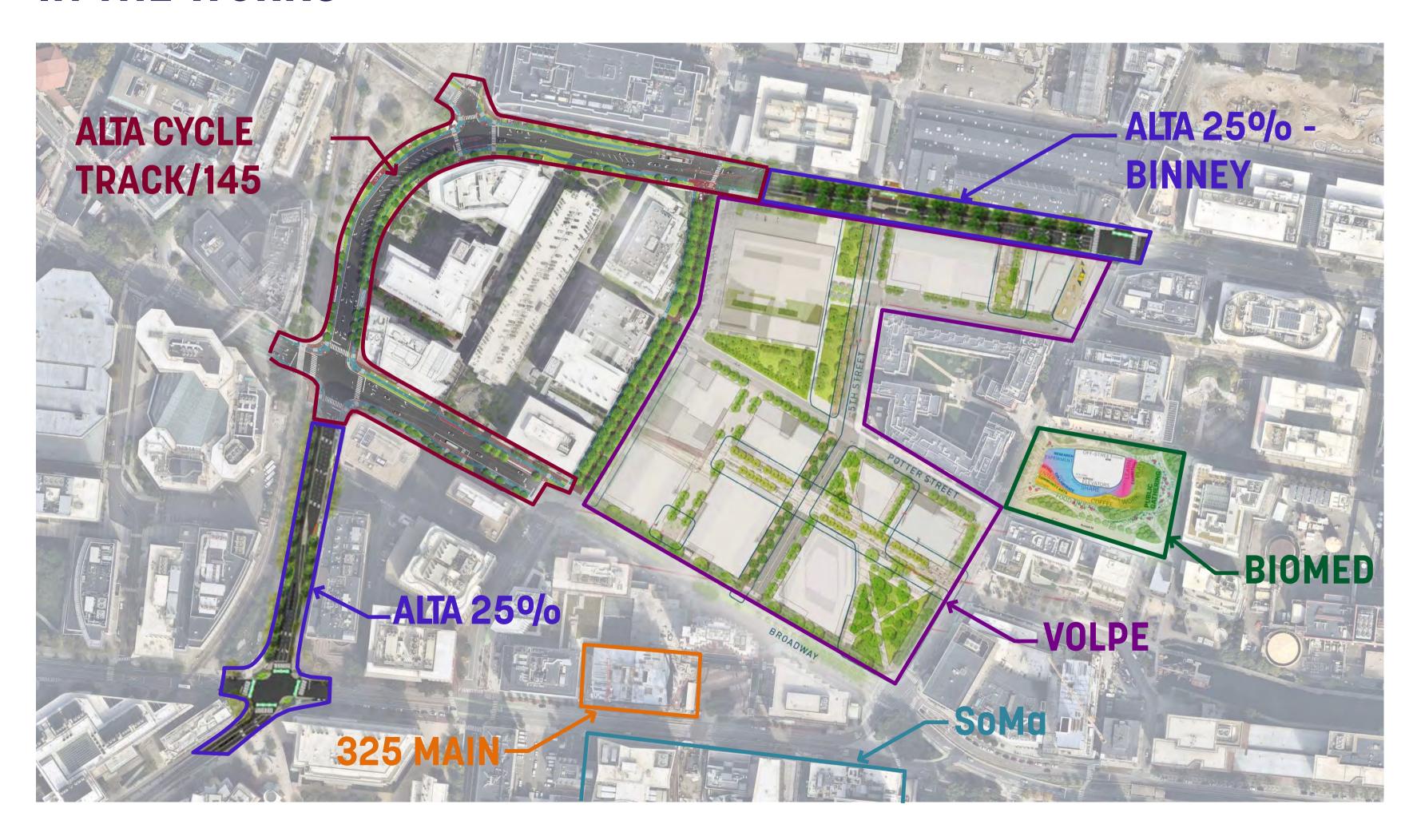




AGENDA

- STREETSCAPE PROJECT SCOPE
- EXISTING CONDITIONS, GOALS, CONCEPT PLANS
 - THIRD STREET
 - BROADWAY
 - MAIN STREET

IN THE WORKS



DEFINING THE STREETS



- 1. Main Street Pedestrian-Focused Transit Hub (considering an interim & long-term vision)
- 2. Broadway Multi-Modal Corridor
- 3. Third Street Res/Mixed-Use Mecca

GOALS

- Design streets as high-quality public spaces that maximize the human experience through the provision of public art, street furniture, plantings, hardscape materials, and interpretive elements.
- Reflect Cambridge's environmental sustainability goals
- Design streets to be safe for all users regardless of age, ability, or mode of transportation.
- Design streets to meet all City policies and standards.
- Include fully separated bicycle lanes, as per the Bicycle Network Vision and the Cycling Safety Ordinance

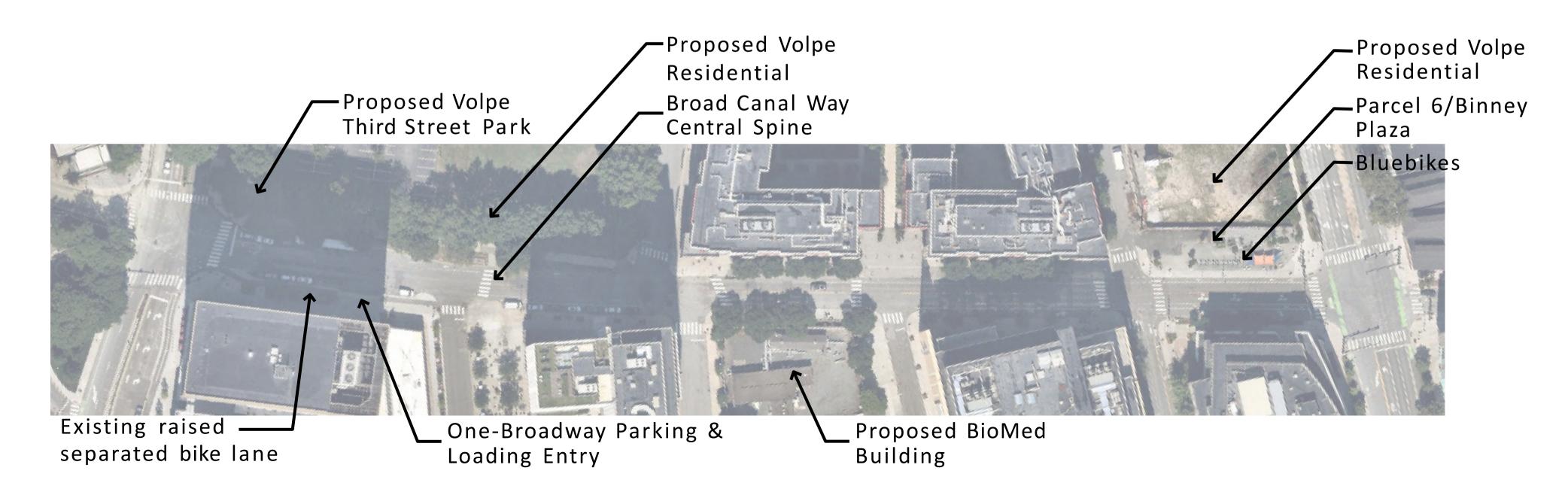
OBJECTIVES

- Implement separated bicycle facilities
- Accommodate access to new and existing developments
- Plan around existing and future utilities
- Preserve and enhance the tree canopy
- Improve pedestrian, transit, and bike infrastructure at intersections
- Design for bus/shuttle priority and access to Kendall MITStation.
- Design for pick-up/drop-off and commercial loading zones
- Activate with retail.



GOALS/GIVENS

- Integrate intersections of adjacent streets including major connections at Binney, Biomed, and Broad Canal Way (emphasize canal's history)
- Create placemaking elements that tie the street together and facilitate both safety and interaction
- Expand on the canopy cover existing today
- Emphasize and increase the raised cycle track extents for the full length of the street.



PRECEDENTS/CHARACTER







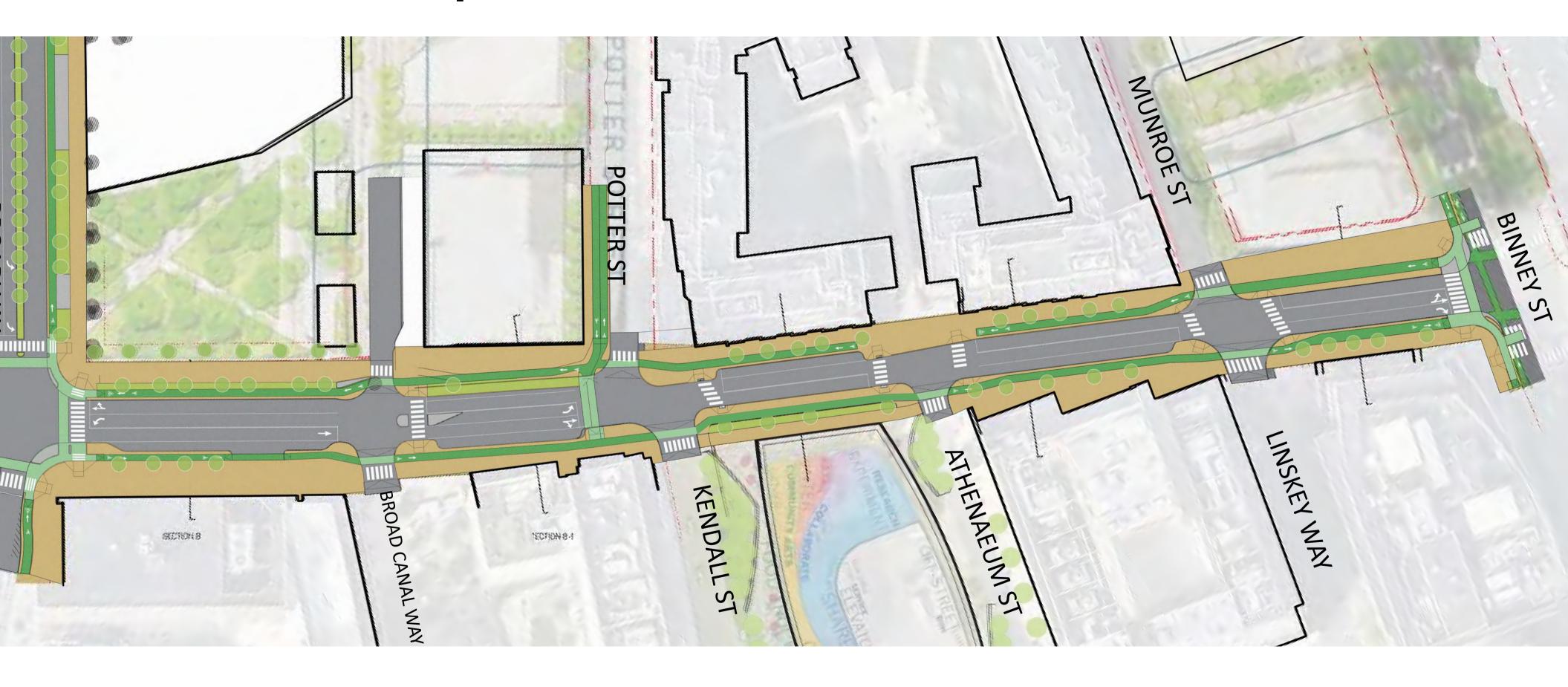
WESTERN AVE - CAMBRIDGE, MA



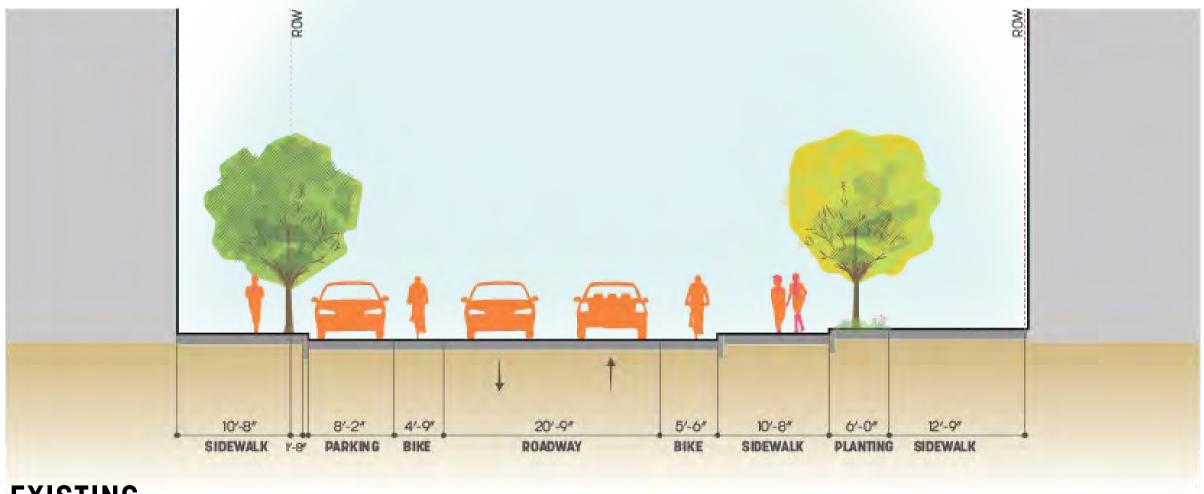
PSTREET - LINCOLN, NE

CONGRESS AVE - AUSTIN, TX

CONCEPT PLAN - Option 1



CROSS SECTION



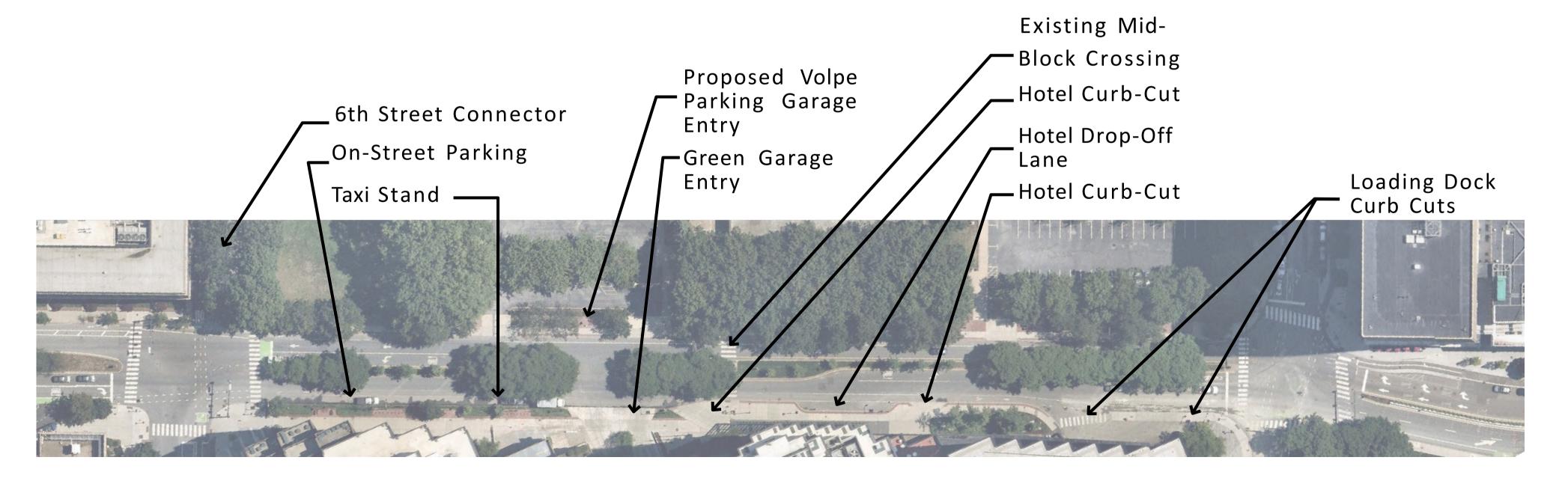
EXISTING



BROADWAY

GOALS/GIVENS

- Expand the raised cycle track beyond 6th Street for the full length of the street
- Connect into Volpe plans
- Preserve existing tree canopy and expand on the "forested edge"
- Reconcile loading zones with pedestrian and cyclist experience.
- Continue placemaking elements begun on 145 Broadway



PRECEDENTS/CHARACTER



BROADWAY CYCLE TRACK



INDIANAPOLIS CULTURAL TRAIL

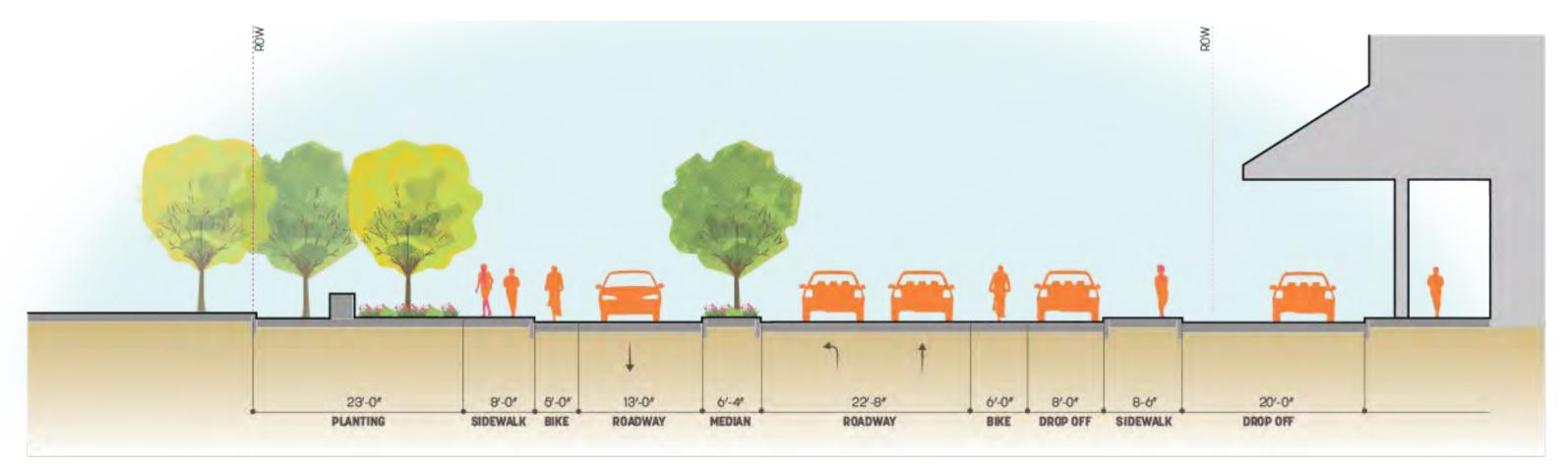


WALK OF THE TOWN - BANGKOK

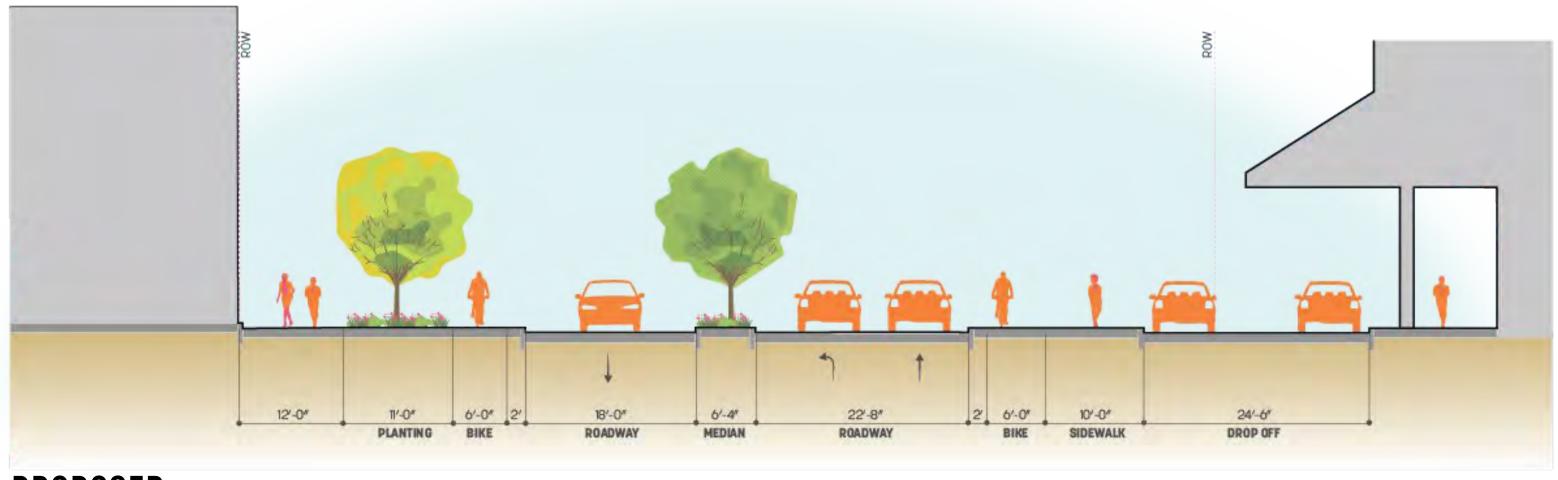
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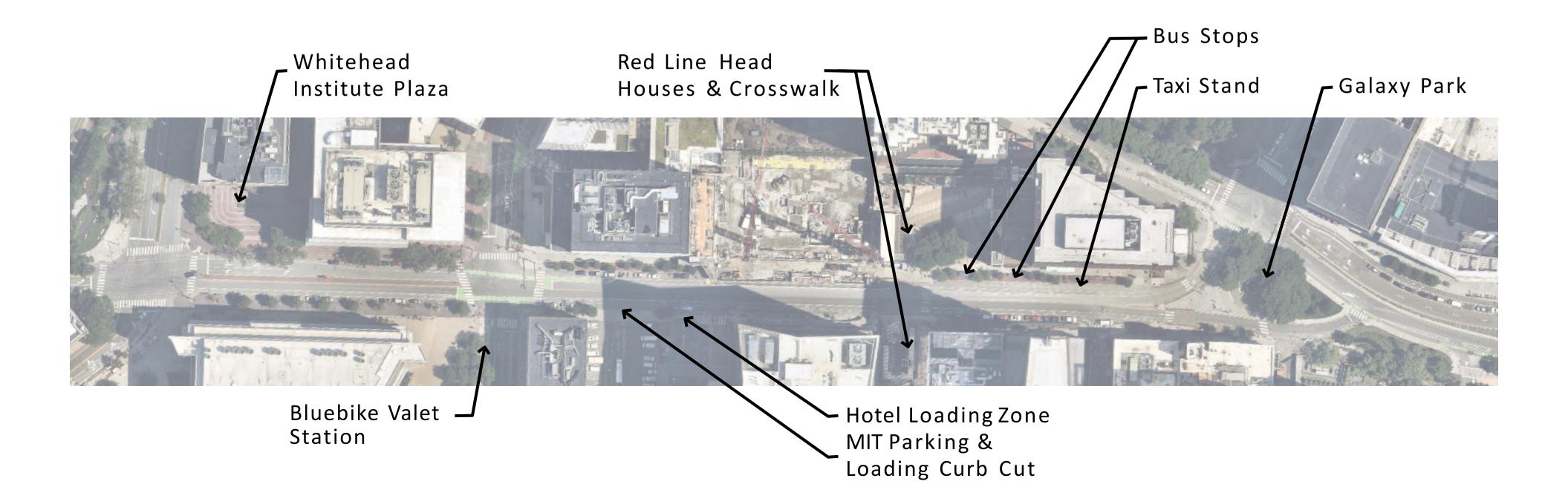


PROPOSED

MAIN STREET

GOALS/GIVENS

- Provide a transformative public transit gateway into Kendall Square
- Facilitate highest and best mix of pedestrian and transit use
- Incorporate separated bicycle facilities
- Reconcile need for loading with public realm improvements



PRECEDENTS/CHARACTER – Interim Term



CAMBRIDGE STRET -Cambridge, MA



QWICK KURB



MEDIAN BIKE LANE - Sevilla, Spain



CENTER LANE PROTECTED BIKE LANES - Athens, GA



MODULAR BUS PLATFORM - Oakland, CA



FLOATING BUS PLATFORM - Portland, OR

PRECEDENTS/CHARACTER - Furnishings







PASEO BANDERA - SANTIAGO, CHILE

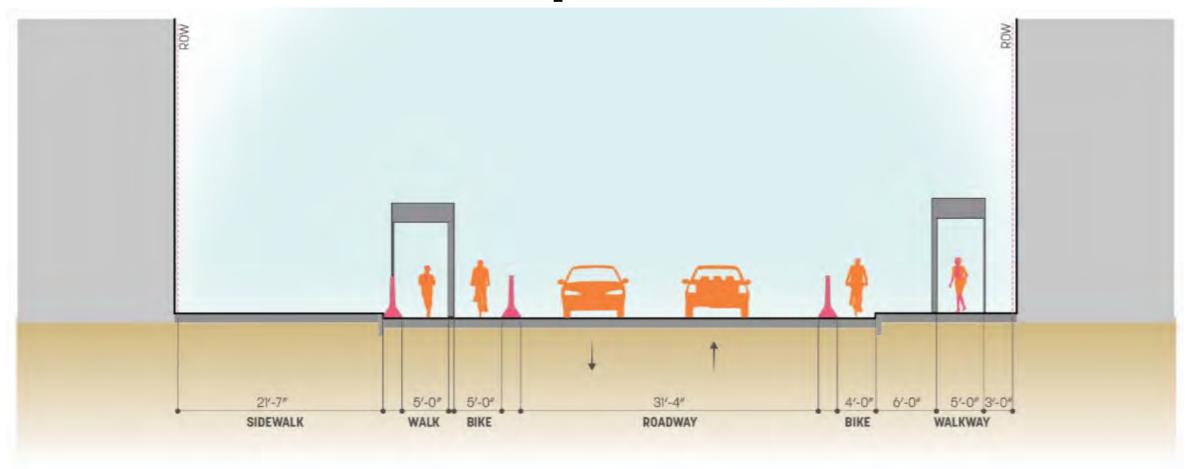


THE AVENUE - WASHINGTON, DC

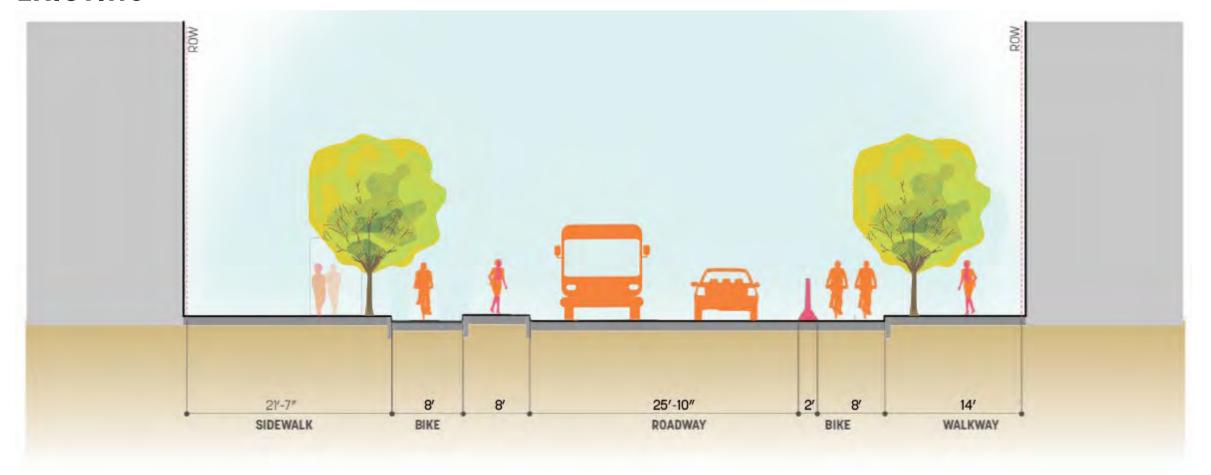
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CROSS SECTION - Interim Term Option 1



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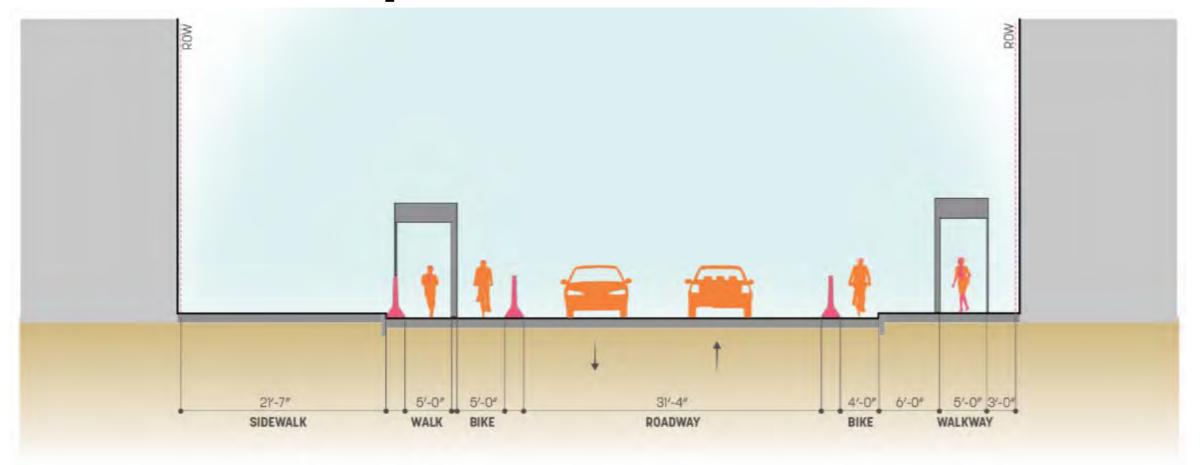


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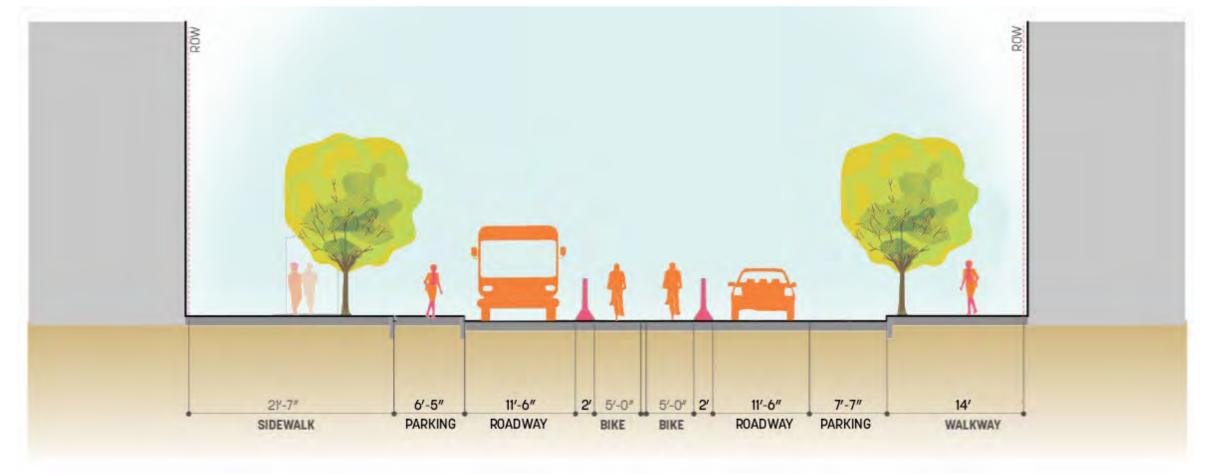
CONCEPT PLAN - Interim Term Option 2 (median bike lanes)



CROSS SECTION - Interim Option 2



EXISTING



PROPOSED

PRECEDENTS/CHARACTER - Longer Term Vision





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DISTRICT WHARF - D.C.





BELL STREET - SEATTLE, WA



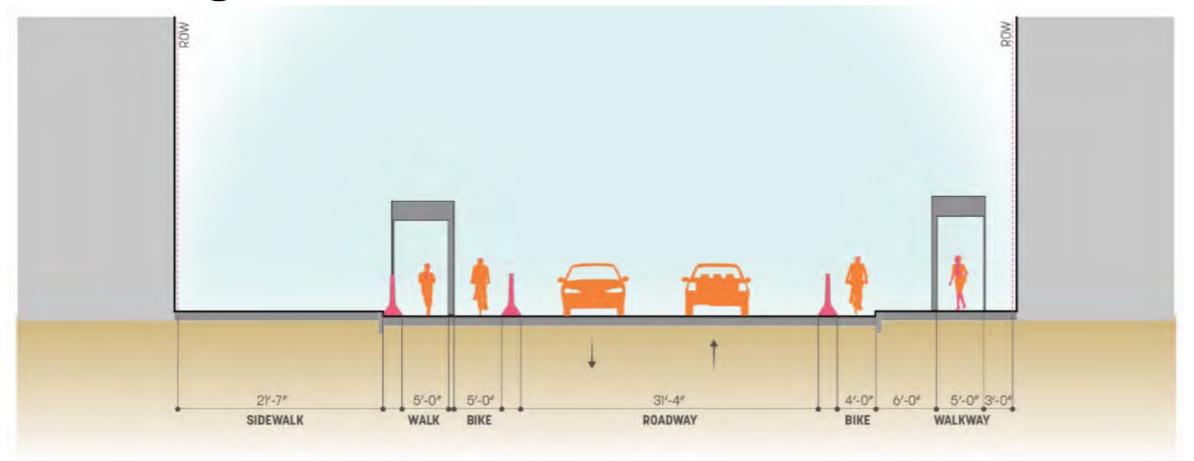


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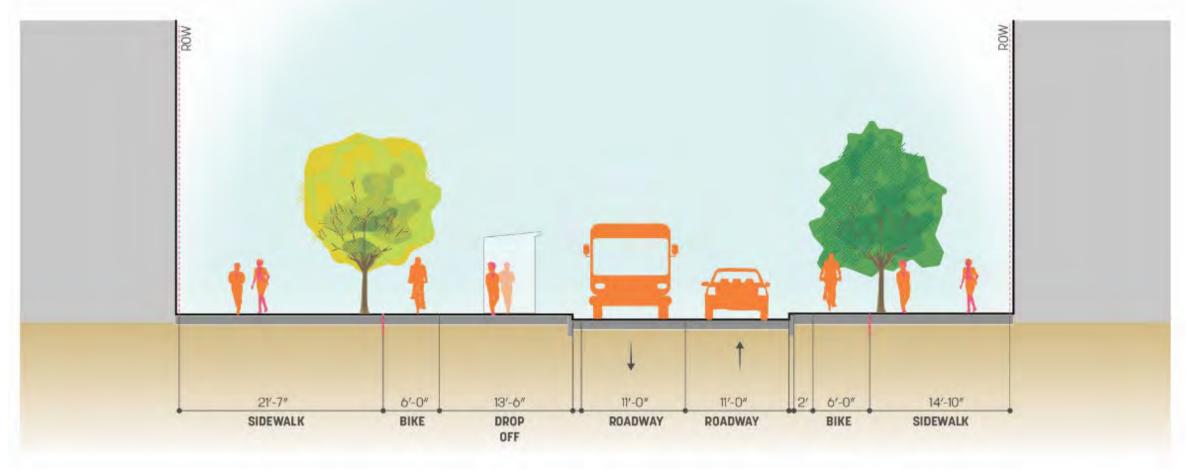
CONCEPT PLAN - Long Term Option 1 (side bike lanes)



CROSS SECTION - Long Term Option 1



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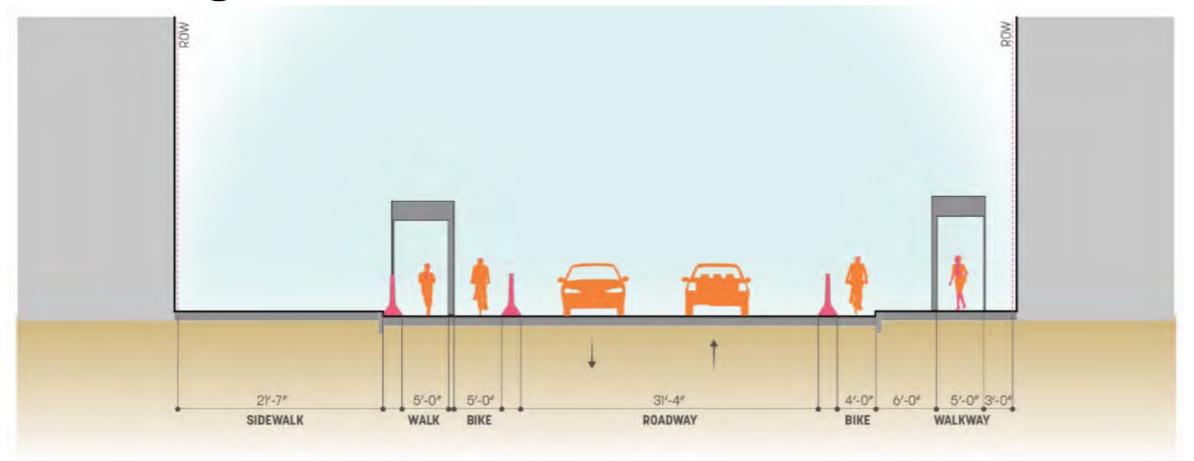


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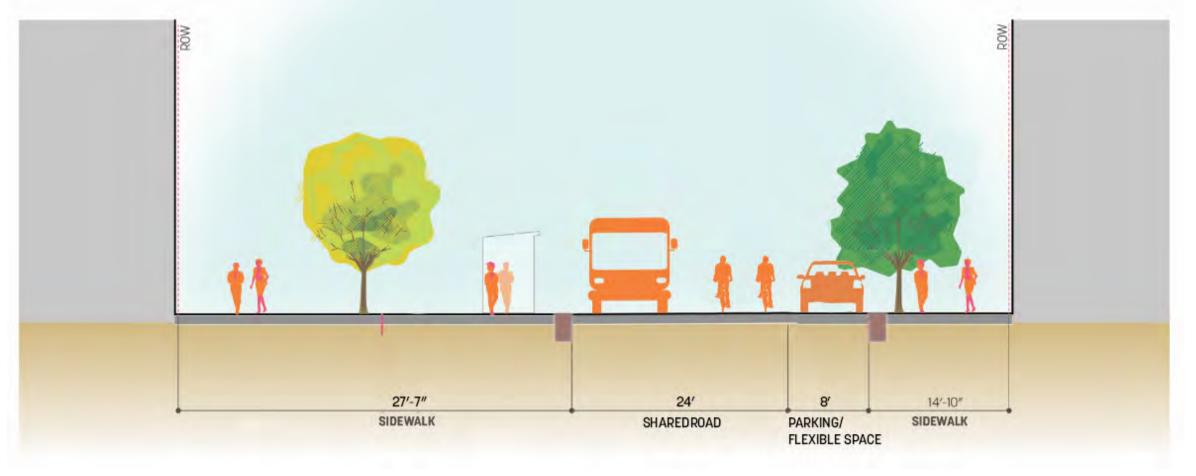
CONCEPT PLAN - Long Term Option 2 (shared street)



CROSS SECTION - Long Term Option 2



EXISTING



PROPOSED



To Learn More and to Sign-Up for Updates Visit

www.cambridgeredevelopment.org/bmt-streetscape

Coming Soon!
Interactive Broadway / Main / Third StoryMap



Street Lighting

Questions

- How are decisions made about where streetlights are placed, lighting levels, etc.?
- How are color temperatures selected and what are their effects?
- How can lighting levels be sure to be adequate to help with safety?
- How can lighting be used for more creative designs, creating inviting public spaces?
- How can we make sure streetlights on side/residential streets adequately illuminate surfaces?
- Is there a way for the public to report inadequately lit streets and sidewalks?
- How can the Committee be involved?

National Issues/MUTCD

& What's wrong with the current draft?

- Lengthy process, time, cost for key safety/access measures
- Perpetuates double-standards between modes
- Written as technical guidance despite policy context
 - → hinders major policy goals safety, equity, climate

Signal warrants remain circular

MUTCD Compliant



Signal is only 'warranted' if >133 pedestrians in peak hour*

Bethesda BEAT 2019 | TRANSPORTATION

New Crosswalk Signal Installed at Site of Fatal Pedestrian Crash

Signal is where North Bethesda woman was struck in July

BY KATE MASTERS | DECEMBER 26, 2019 | 9:47 PM

The Montgomery County Department of Transportation unveiled a new crosswalk beacon on Monday at the intersection of Tuckerman Lane and Kings Riding Way in Bethesda.

The busy intersection — where the Bethesda Trolley bike and pedestrian trail intersects with Tuckerman Lane — was the site where North Bethesda resident Jennifer DiMauro was struck by a Chevrolet Spark in July.



A HAWK beacon on Aspen Hill Road between Georgia and

What we're doing

- (1) call to reframe the current draft
 - substantive alignment with safety, climate, equity goals
 - focus on core elements of signs, signals, markings
- (2) collate detailed comments from member cities
 - section by section review of current draft (NPA)
 - detailed suggestions for changes

GOAL:

- new document as proactive safety guidance
- multidisciplinary stakeholder collaboration

City Updates

Public comment

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Data Subcommittee Meeting

- 1. Tuesday, May 25
 - a. 5:00 6:00 PM
 - b. 5:30 6:30 PM
- 2. Monday, May 24
 - a. 5:00 6:00 PM

Other Announcements

Thank You