MEETING AGENDA

1. Project Progress
2. Workshop Overview
3. Work Session 1
4. Work Session 2
5. Report Out/Q&A
Study Corridor
PROJECT PROGRESS
AA and EA | Timeline

**PLANNING PROCESS**

- **Project Kick-Off**
  - Winter 2014

- **Existing Conditions**
  - Spring 2014
  - Purpose and Need
  - Existing Conditions Assessment

- **Definition of Alternatives**
  - Fall 2014
  - Preliminary Screening of Alternatives
  - Definition of Evaluation Measures

- **Evaluation of Alternatives**
  - Winter 2015
  - Results of Evaluation
  - Draft Environmental Assessment

- **Environmental Assessment**
  - Spring 2015
  - Preferred Alternative
  - Final Environmental Assessment

**PUBLIC PROCESS**

- **Purpose and Need**
  - May 22
  - 4:00 – 8:00 PM
  - Public Kick-off Meeting
  - Landmark Mall

- **Existing Conditions Assessment**
  - October 22
  - 6:30 – 8:30 PM
  - Transitway Options Pavillion at Mark Center

- **Definition of Evaluation Measures**
  - Public Meeting to Comment on Study Recommendations

- **Environmental Assessment**
  - Public Meeting to Review Environmental Document

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**We Are Here**

**18 Months**
PROJECT NEED

Corridor Issues

- Land Use and Economic Development
- Traffic Congestion
- Transit Service

Project Need
AA and EA | PROJECT OUTCOMES

• Policy Decision
  o Locally Preferred Alternative selected by City Council
    • Transit Technology
    • Alignment
    • Configuration
    • Project Cost Estimate

• Project Finance Strategy

• Approved Environmental Document
  o Finding by FTA after review by federal and state agencies
WORKSHOP OVERVIEW
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• Work Session 1: 15 minutes
  o Discuss alternatives
  o Identify concerns and opportunities

• Work Session 2: 30 minutes
  o Review alternatives evaluation approach
  o Identify high/low priority measures

• Report Out and Q&A: 30 minutes
AA STUDY ALTERNATIVES

• **Build Alternative**
  - Frequent, continuous transit service along Van Dorn and Beauregard Streets
  - Dedicated transit lanes along significant portions of corridor
  - Infrastructure and operational elements to enhance transit operations

• **Transportation Systems Management (TSM) Alternative**
  - Frequent, continuous transit service along Van Dorn and Beauregard Streets
  - New, limited-stop bus service along the entirety of the corridor
  - Some traffic operational enhancements
  - No major capital investment in new infrastructure for dedicated transit lanes

• **No Build Alternative**
  - Transit services in shared lanes similar to current conditions
  - Includes already planned and programmed infrastructure, traffic operational and transit service improvements
EVALUATION PROCESS

• Evaluation measures needed to determine performance of alternatives

• Performance of alternatives will determine Locally Preferred Alternative

• Effects of Locally Preferred Alternative will be documented in the Environmental Assessment

1. Identify initial alternatives based on previous studies and resolutions (No Build, TSM, Build)

2. Evaluate refined alternatives (apply full set of evaluation measures to distinguish among Build, TSM, No Build)

3. Document effects of the recommended alternative in Environmental Assessment
DRAFT EVALUATION MEASURES

• Transit
• Other transportation modes
• Land use considerations
• Financial
• Natural, social, and physical environment
NEXT STEPS

• Winter 2014
  o Alternatives Analysis Report
  o Request to Enter FTA Project Development

Thank you!

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