A community driven catalyst for an equitable, healthy, (economically viable and environmentally) sustainable corridor

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I BELIEVE THAT WE WILL RIDE
PURPOSE: Build a robust regional transit system in a manner that maximizes economic development opportunities, coordinates public and private investment, and promotes equitable, healthy communities

- Creating connections between transit communities
- Catalyst for sustainable, healthy neighborhoods and successful business districts
- Position corridor for multi-modal transit investment
- Position corridor for economic investments
- Position corridor for housing for all

Building Equitable, Sustainable Communities
Sustainable development aims to promote environmental protection, a strong local economy and social equity.
Vision

- **Engage** the community to create and build a shared vision for the future.
- **Create** a corridor-wide plan to support Transit Oriented Communities.
- **Develop** financing models and strategies to implement the plan.
- **Evaluate and recommend** a governance structure that encourages cross-jurisdictional coordination and collaboration.
- **Generate** opportunities for private investment.
Current Status

- Working with Metro on creating the corridor-wide plan to support Transit Oriented Communities.
  
  - Near Term Planning
  - Corridor TOD
Worldwide – successful Transit corridors are most successful when land use planning and transit planning go hand in hand with the community
And With all the departments of the cities, county and, utilities and Metro work together
Planning for a sustainable, equitable corridor

A corridor planning approach that considers:
• multiple forms of transportation,
• adjacent land uses,
• the creation of place,
• the connecting of street network
• while building equity through education, job creation, local purchasing,
• affordable housing,
• strong commercial districts

Can transform the transportation planning process into one that respects and enhances our natural and human environments.
The route, the transit profile, station locations changes the station areas as well as the opportunities for the community-need to be developed with the community
• Each station is unique, as are the communities they are in.

• Each has assets that become attractors for the neighborhood and the transit riders.

• The ½ mile radius from each station is located in more than one city.
Environmental Scoping Alternatives
Proposed New Alignments for Refined Analysis
The corridor TOD is taking the information generated by the cities---in their station area plans; the information generated by Metro in their EIR/S Studies and Eco-Rapid Transit in the adopted Guidelines --plus interviews and workshops.

And developing a strategic plan that supports the local efforts and achieve corridor goals.
To do that effectively we need to know:

- What are the market conditions?
- What is the potential for business/potential job creation
- How many new housing units will be needed
Based on what the cities have already done, what are the

- Opportunities
- Constraints
- What is needed to create a multi-modal station area?
- What first/last mile improvements need to be made?
- What are the infrastructure needs required to achieve the cities goals while creating an equitable/ sustainable community.
• How do we take advantage of these opportunities?

• How do we address the constraints
Looking at all the station areas—transit oriented districts

• How do we create a healthier market?

• What synergies can we create between the station areas?

• How do we finance the improvements that need to be made?
How to address these issues becomes the basis of the Transit Corridor TOD strategic plan.

Then we build upon this study and create an Implementation Plan: Equity Plan, Mitigation Plan and Financing Plan.
Individual cities - Land Use; local authority

Transit Oriented Communities around Station Areas - Multi jurisdictional

Corridor TOC - Place based; people based strategies to create equity; job growth; economic development; housing; parks and community.

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