Separated Bike Lanes on Extension Road Baseline Road to Main Street

Proposed Pilot Project

Transportation Advisory Board March 15, 2022





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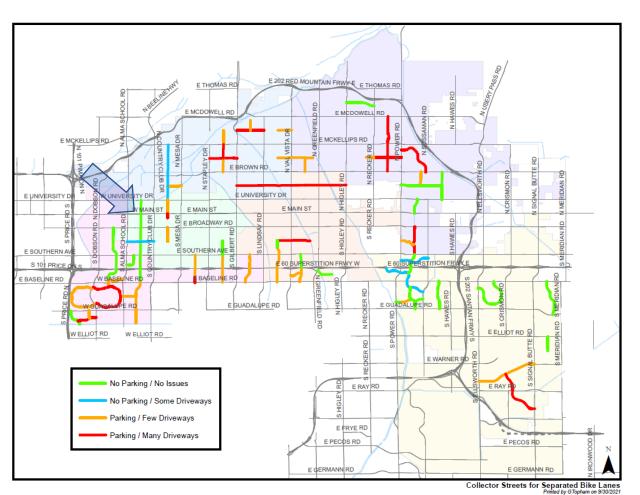




Background

Citywide Evaluation

- Collector Streets
- On-street parking
- Number of driveways
- Speed limit





Existing Conditions

Extension Road - Baseline Road to Main Street

- Five-lane collector with striped median and bike lanes
- Posted speed limit 40 mph south and 35 mph north of Southern Avenue
- Predominantly residential along east side
- Public park & two schools along west side

Railroad tracks north of Broadway Road





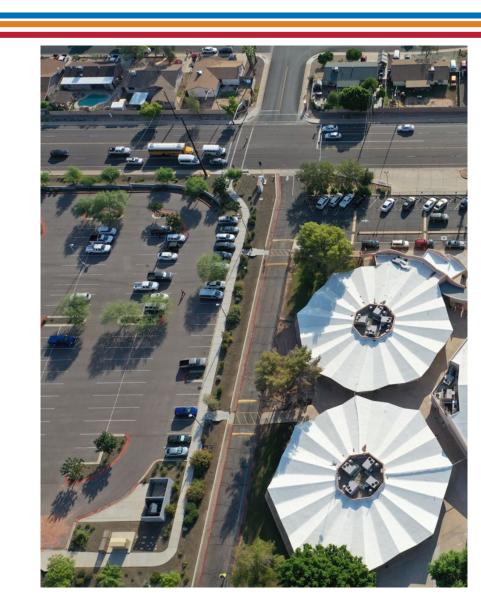
Existing Conditions

Traffic Analysis and Observations

 Collected traffic counts along the corridor; slightly more southbound traffic than northbound

Extension Rd Corridor - Baseline to Broadway Summary								
Average	Dir. Split							
24-HR Average Daily Traffic	NB	5573 vpd	49%					
	SB	5800 vpd	51%					
	TOTAL	11373 vpd						
Average Peak	Dir. Split							
AM	NB PH	459 vph	51%					
	SB PH	447 vph	49%					
PM	NB PH	548 vph	47%					
	SB PH	623 vph	53%					

 Observed traffic flow at Ida Redbird Elementary; southbound queues are significantly larger than northbound during the PM peak

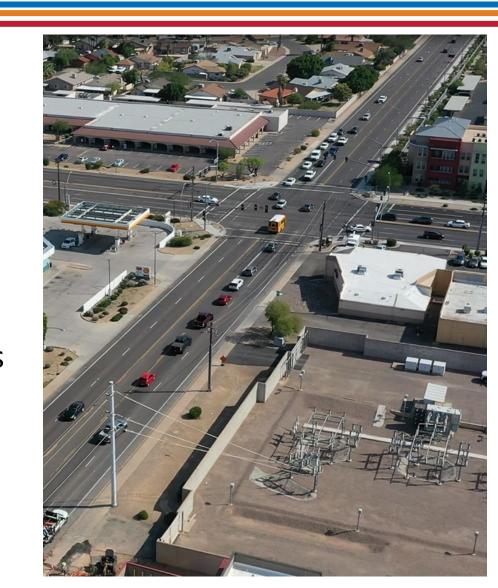




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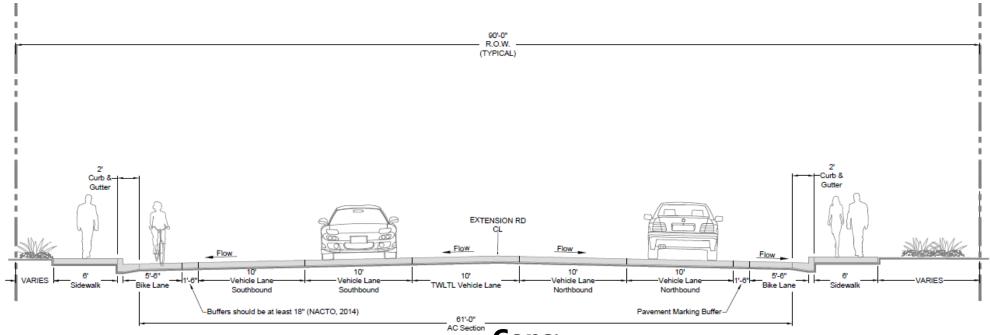
Traffic Analysis and Observations - continued

- Collected turning movement counts at all major signalized intersections along corridor
- Modeled existing traffic signal operations
 - Signalized intersections operate at Level of Service (LOS) D or better
 - ➤ Existing delays for the northbound through/right turn movements < 47 seconds
 - Largest delays at Extension Road and Southern Avenue





Buffered Bike Lanes – whole corridor:



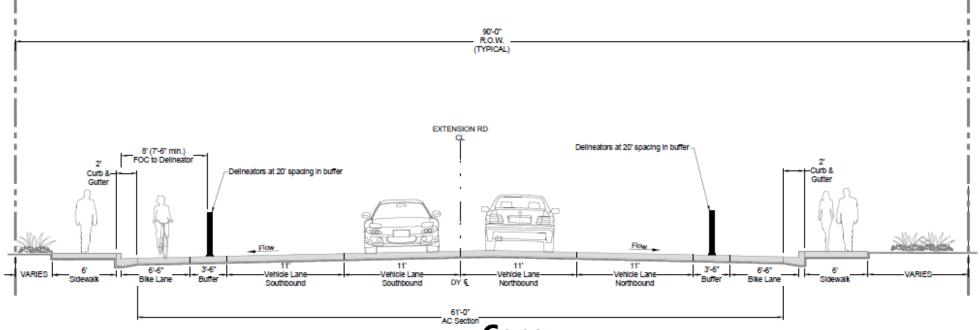
Pros:

- Maintains number of travel lanes
- 18" buffer between bikes and vehicles
- No impact on traffic flow

- Not enough room for delineators
- Minimal safety improvement for bicyclists



Separated & remove two-way LTL – south of Broadway only:



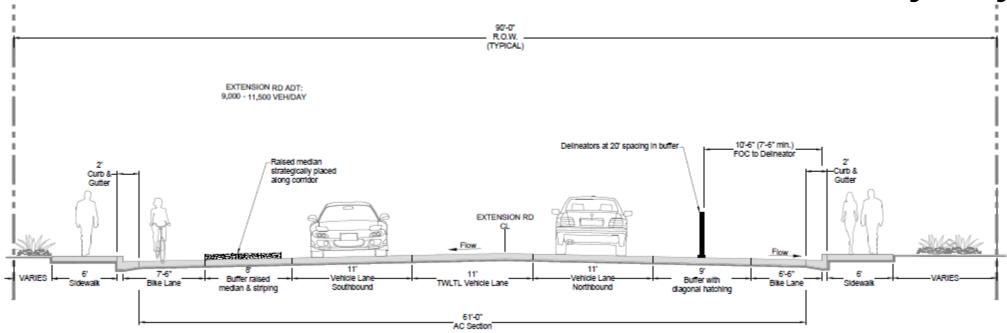
Pros:

- Maintains number of travel lanes
- Bike lanes separated with delineators

- No two-way left turn lane
- Minor impact on traffic flow
- Requires creative transitions at intersections
- Not common in the valley, potential for confusion and rear-end crashes



Separated & remove NB & SB Lane – south of Broadway only:



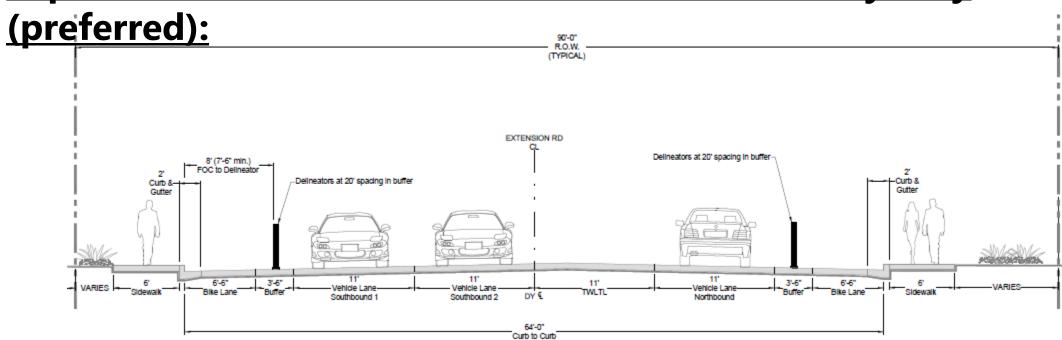
Pros:

- Maintains two-way left turn lane
- Bike lanes separated with delineators and/or medians

- Removal of one NB and one SB travel lane
- Noticeable impacts on traffic flow, especially during school start and release



Separated & remove NB lane – south of Broadway only

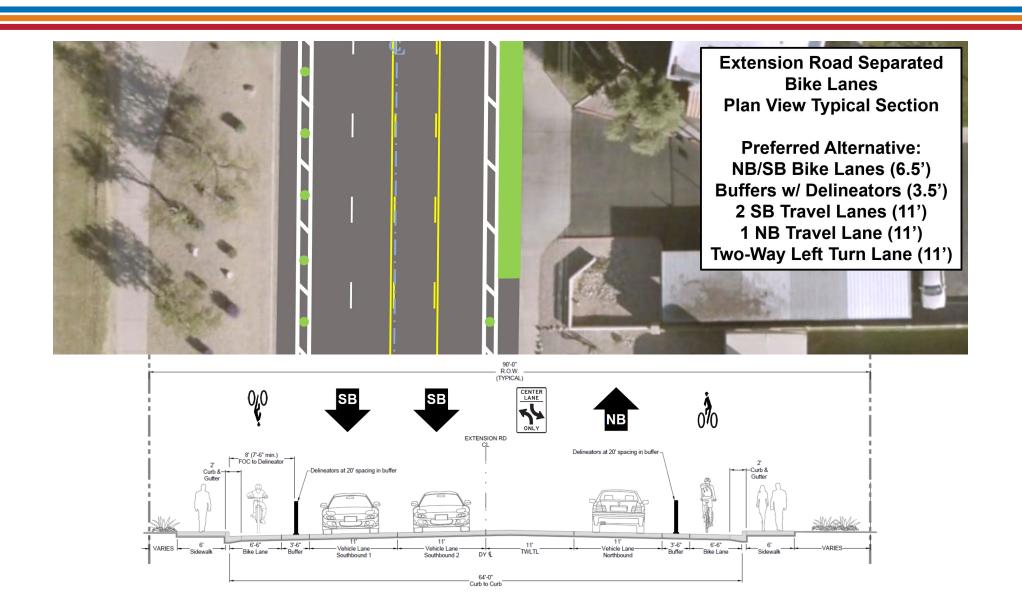


Pros:

- Maintains two-way left turn lane
- Bike lanes separated with delineators

- Removal of one NB travel lane
- Some impacts on traffic during school start and release



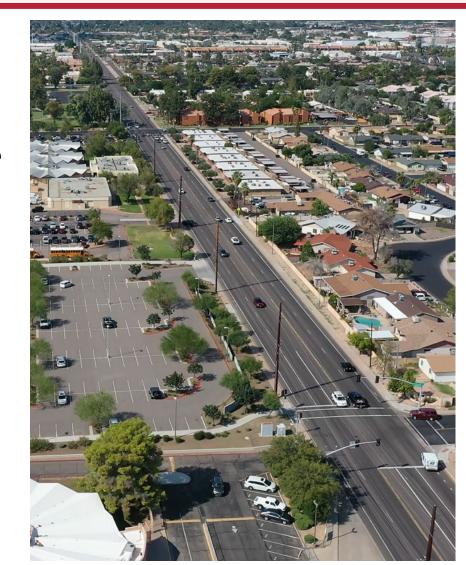




Traffic Analysis with Preferred Concept:

- All signalized intersections operate at LOS D or better (same as existing)
- Minimal impact to school traffic at Emerald Avenue
- Largest expected delays at Extension Road and Southern Avenue but maintaining LOS D:

Existing NB Thru & Shared Thru/RT	AM		PM		Intersection LOS	
	Delay	LOS	Delay	LOS	С	AM
	46.4	D	39.6	D	D	PM
Proposed NB Shared Thru/RT	AM		PM		Intersection LOS	
	Delay	LOS	Delay	LOS	D	AM
	63.3	E	61.4	Е	D	PM
Change	16.9	+36%	21.8	+55%		





Evaluation Criteria

This will be a pilot project and subject to an extensive before and after evaluation with the following criteria:

- Vehicle volumes and speeds
- Traffic flow
- Bike volumes
- Bike crashes
- User input





Community Outreach

- Post cards, flyers and door hangers (properties within ½ mile of the project)
- Public meeting on April 25th at 6 pm
- Opportunity to share feedback online





Timeline & Next Steps



Community Feedback

We will be collecting input two weeks past the public meeting

Implementation

 Depending on feedback, we will implement the project in late summer/fall of 2022

Questions/Discussion

