



MetroRapid Public Meeting September 2025

Thank you for joining us today!

Agenda

- About MetroRapid and the planning process
- Design updates based on your feedback
- Invitation to provide feedback today

About MetroRapid and the Planning Process



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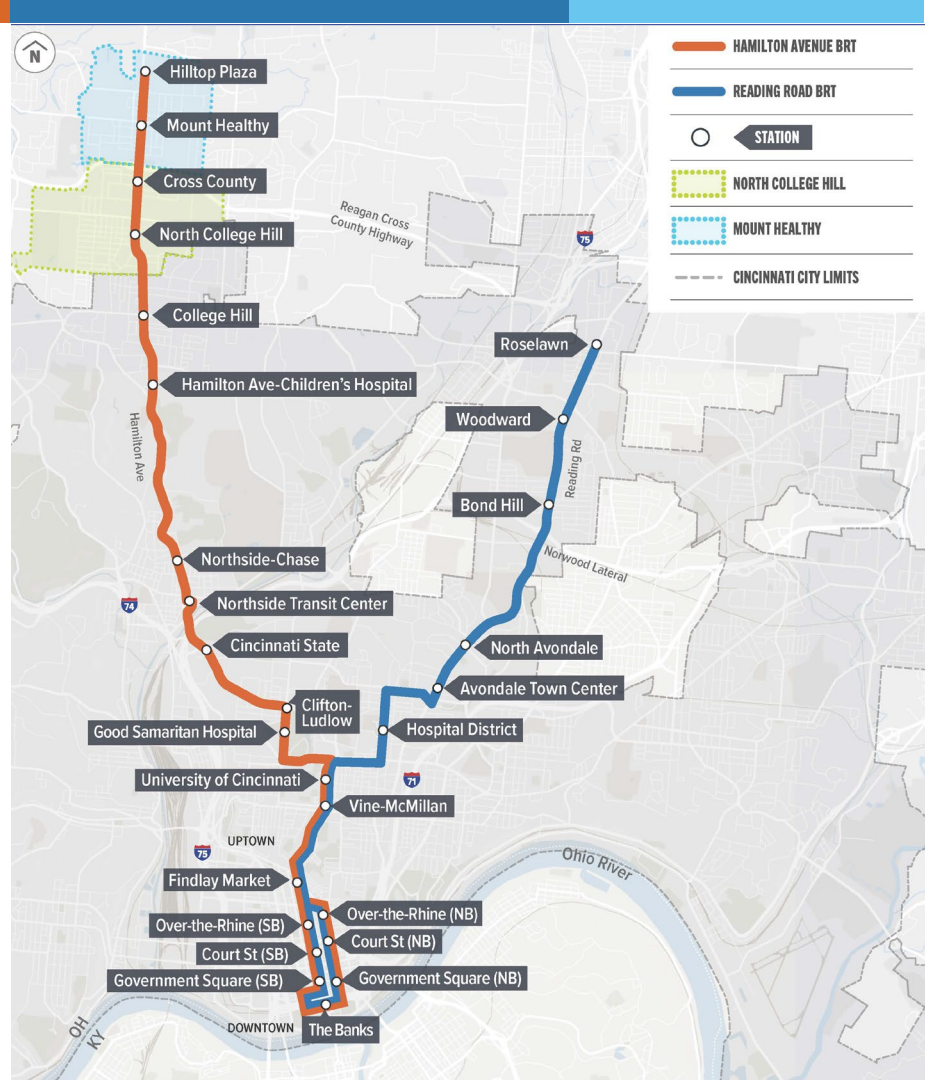
Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) is MetroRapid

- Combines flexibility of buses with the efficiency of rail
- Uses advanced technologies, infrastructure, and operational investments to provide a significantly better service
- Provides faster trip experience and greater service reliability
- Plays a substantial role in economic development
- Positively impacts businesses and property values



MetroRapid Projects

- Shared MetroRapid service
 - 3 miles
 - 10 stations
- Reading Road MetroRapid
 - 9.2 miles
 - 6 stations
- Hamilton Avenue MetroRapid
 - 11.8 miles
 - 11 stations



Station Renderings



Side/Curb Stations



Center Stations



Neighborhood Business District Stations

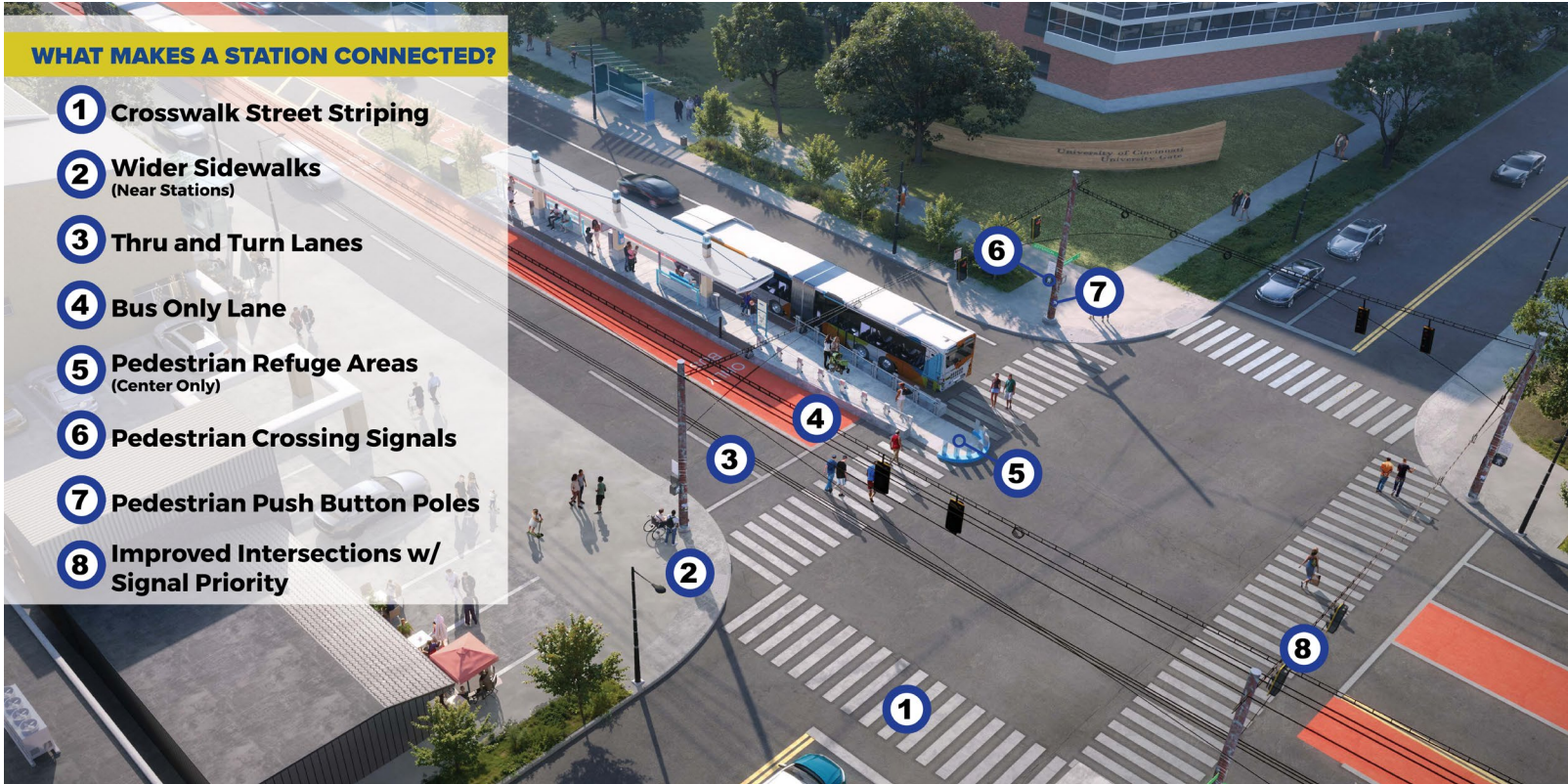
All Stations Accessible



All Stations Connected

WHAT MAKES A STATION CONNECTED?

- 1 Crosswalk Street Striping
- 2 Wider Sidewalks (Near Stations)
- 3 Thru and Turn Lanes
- 4 Bus Only Lane
- 5 Pedestrian Refuge Areas (Center Only)
- 6 Pedestrian Crossing Signals
- 7 Pedestrian Push Button Poles
- 8 Improved Intersections w/ Signal Priority



Project Development Progress

Preliminary Design

- Station Locations
- BRT Lanes

Engagement

- Project Partners
- Businesses
- Community Councils
- Stakeholders

Traffic Impacts

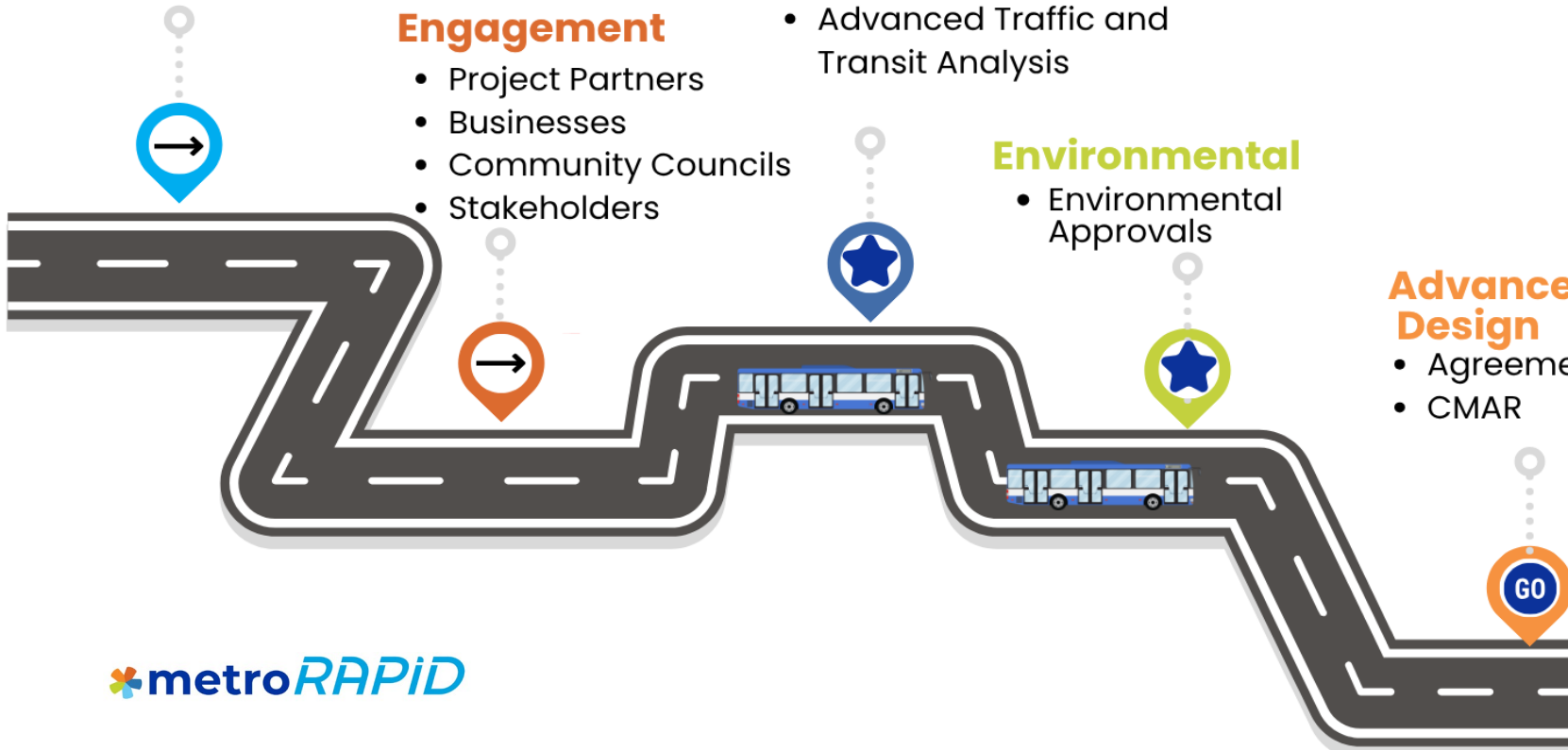
- Intersection Modeling
- Advanced Traffic and Transit Analysis

Environmental

- Environmental Approvals

Advanced Design

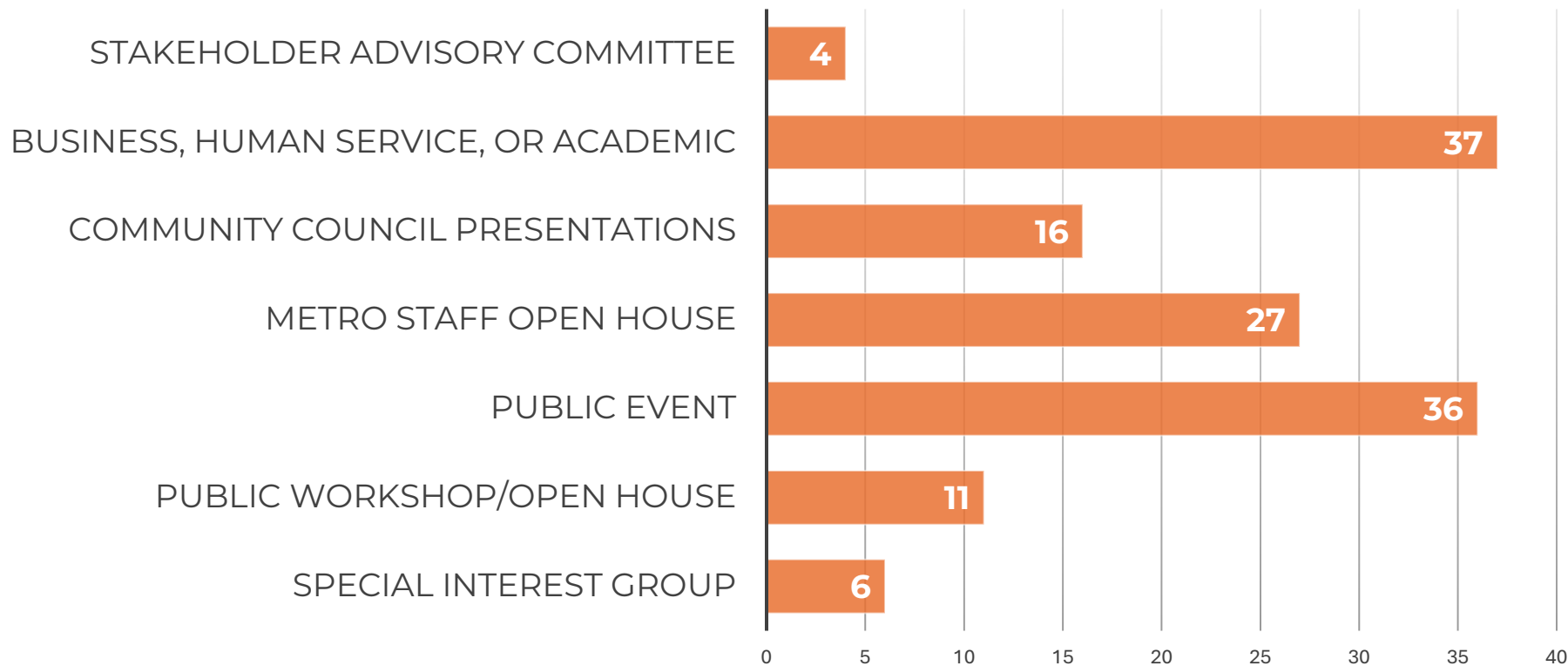
- Agreements
- CMAR



Project Partner & Stakeholder Coordination

- 3CDC
- Avondale Development Corporation
- Business Associations
- Christ Hospital
- Cincinnati Children's
- Cincinnati Metropolitan Housing Authority
- Cincinnati State University
- City of Cincinnati
- City of Mount Healthy
- City of North College Hill
- Community Councils
- Hamilton County
- Good Samaritan/Tri-Health
- ODOT
- The Port Authority
- UC Health
- University of Cincinnati

137 MetroRapid Events & Meetings



Connect with us – Public Meetings

- September 25 – **Tangeman University Center Atrium** at UC from 11 am to 1 pm with a presentation at 12 pm and again from 4 pm to 6 pm with a presentation at 5 pm
- September 29 – **Avondale Town Center - Holloman Center for Social Justice** from 4 pm to 6:30 pm with a 5 pm presentation
- September 30 – **Downtown Library** from 4 pm to 6:30 pm with a presentation at 5 pm
- October 1 – **College Hill Recreation Center** from 4 pm to 6:30 pm with a presentation at 5 pm

Join Us – City/Community meetings

- Thursday, October 2 - **Bond Hill** Community Council
- Tuesday, October 7
 - **Mount Healthy** City Council
 - **CUF** Neighborhood Association Board of Trustees
- Thursday, October 9 – **Roselawn** Community Council
- Tuesday, October 14
 - **Downtown** Residents Council
 - **North Avondale** Community Council
- Monday, October 20 - **Northside** Community Council
- Tuesday, October 21 - **CUF** Neighborhood Association

Join Us – City/Community meetings

- Monday, October 27 – **Over-the-Rhine** Community Council
- Tuesday, October 28 – **College Hill** Forum
- Monday, November 3 – **North College Hill** City Council
- Tuesday, November 4 (subject to change) **Avondale** Board of Trustees
- Monday, November 17 – **Mount Auburn** Community Council
- Tuesday, November 18
 - **Avondale** Community Council
 - **Roselawn** Business Alliance

Your Comments Influence Decisions

- ✓ MetroRapid name
- ✓ Station look and feel
- ✓ Station location
- ✓ Station name
- ✓ Service travel lanes
- ✓ Website content



Design Updates Based on Your Feedback



Chris Weyer
Project Manager,
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Design Progress

- Downtown alignment
- University of Cincinnati
- Reading Road continuation of 30% design
- Hamilton Avenue progress towards 30% design
- Design refinement



Downtown Alignment

Downtown Stations:

- The Banks, Government Square, Court Street, Over-the-Rhine, Findlay Market

MetroRapid Frequency:

- Reading Rd – every 10 min
- Hamilton Ave – every 10 min
- Combined – every 5 min
- 12 vehicles per hour 6 AM to 8 PM

Fixed Route Frequency:

- 4, 16, 17, 19, 32 33, 43, 46, and 77
 - 24 peak hour buses



Downtown Alignment



University of Cincinnati / Uptown Alignment

UC Stations:

- Vine-McMillan
- UC

MetroRapid Frequency:

- Reading Rd - every 10 minutes
- Hamilton Ave – every 10 minutes
- Combined – every 5 minutes
- 12 vehicles per hour 6 AM to 8 PM

Fixed Route Frequency:

- 12, 19, 36, 38, 78 and 90
- 14 peak hour buses



Lane Configurations

Edge Front

Center Running

Curb Running



Clifton

Clifton Stations:

- Good Samaritan Hospital, Clifton-Ludlow, Cincinnati State

BRT Frequency:

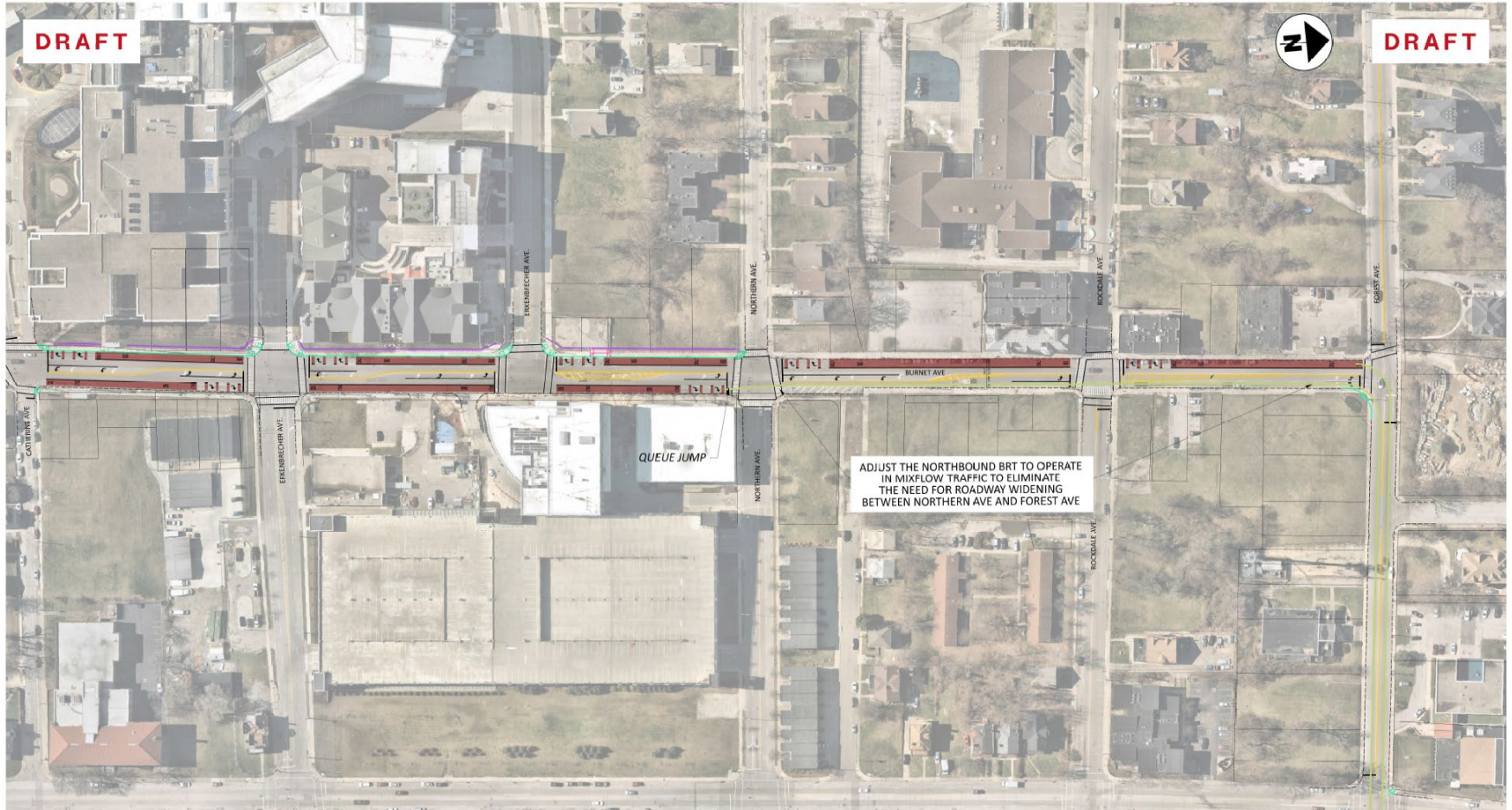
- Every 10 minutes
- 6 vehicles per hour 6 AM to 8 PM

Fixed Route Buses:

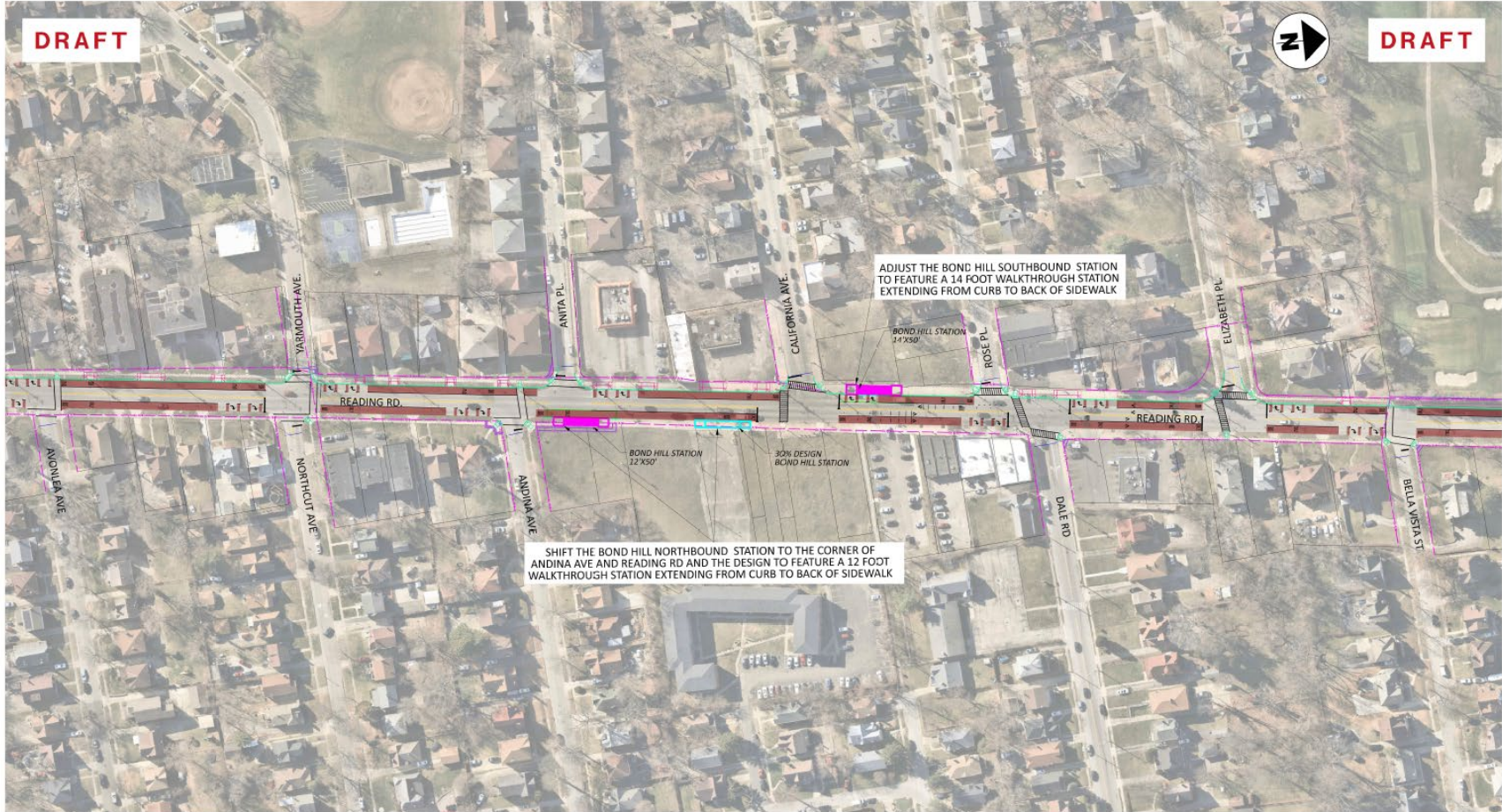
- Clifton: 17, 24, 38, and 51
 - 19 peak hour buses
- Ludlow: 17, 19, 24 and 51
 - 27 peak hour buses



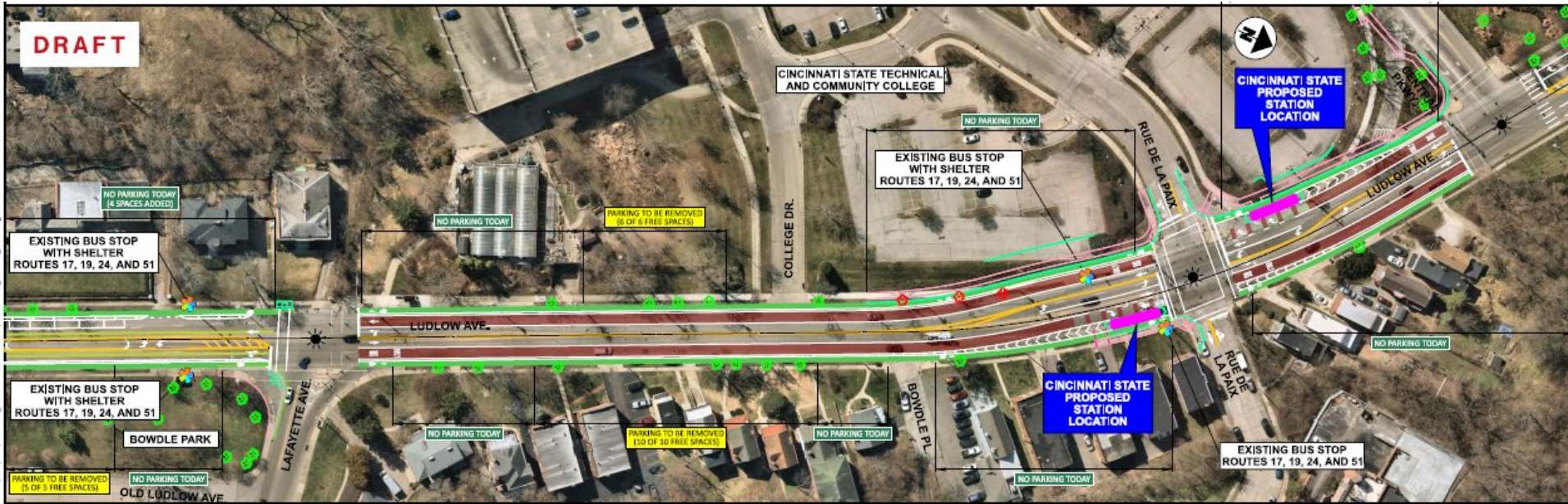
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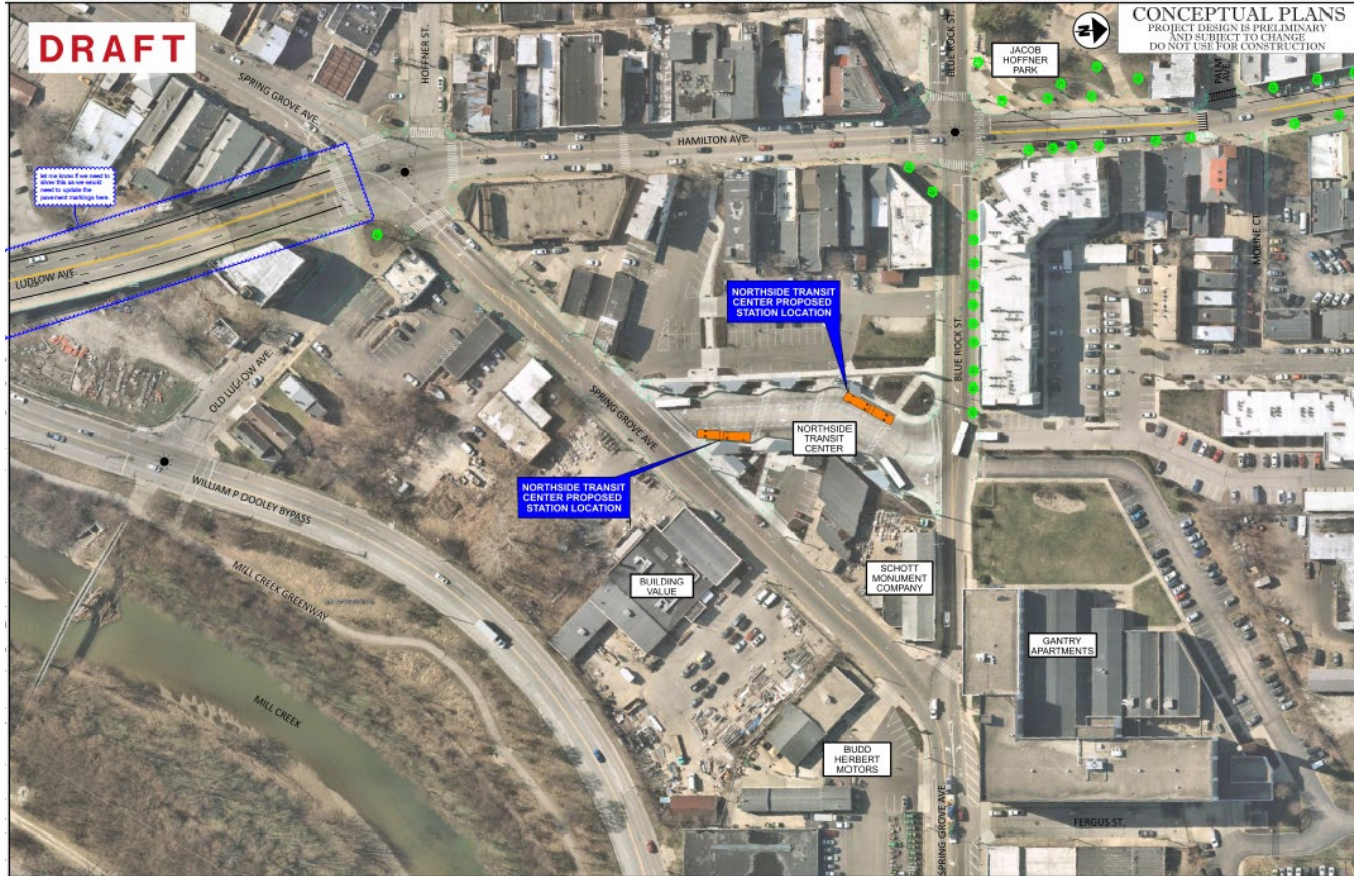
Bond Hill



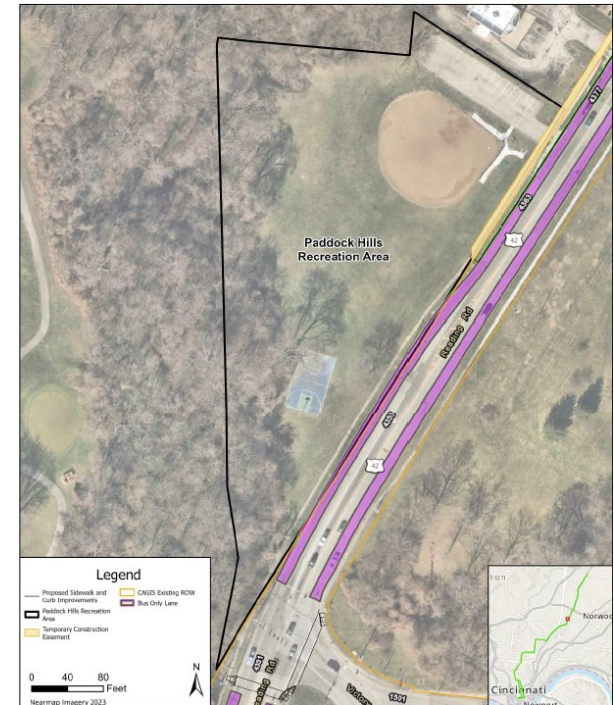
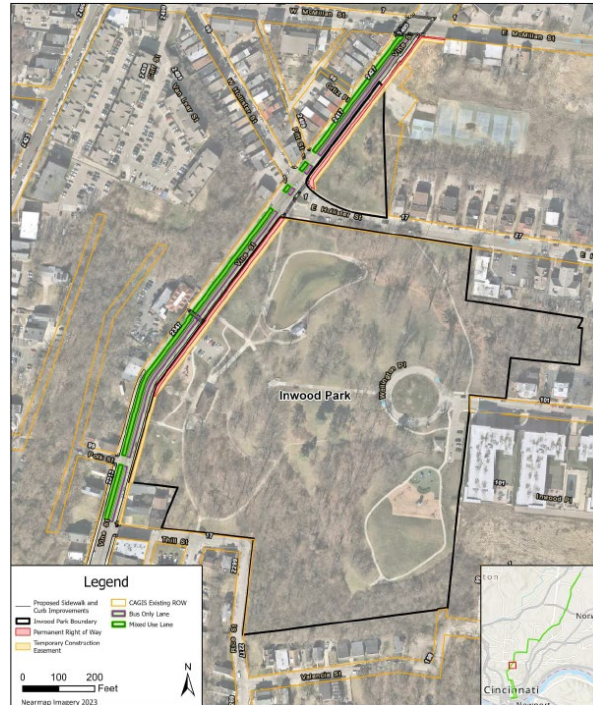
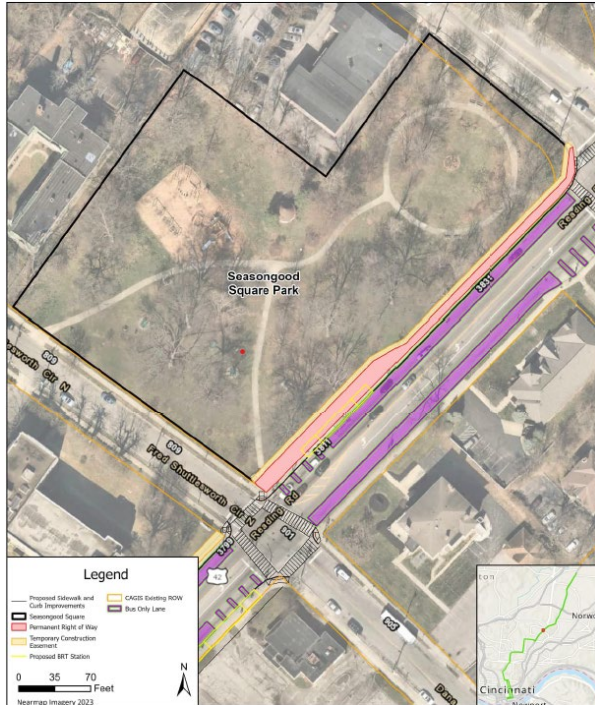
Cincinnati State



Northside Transit Center



Environmental

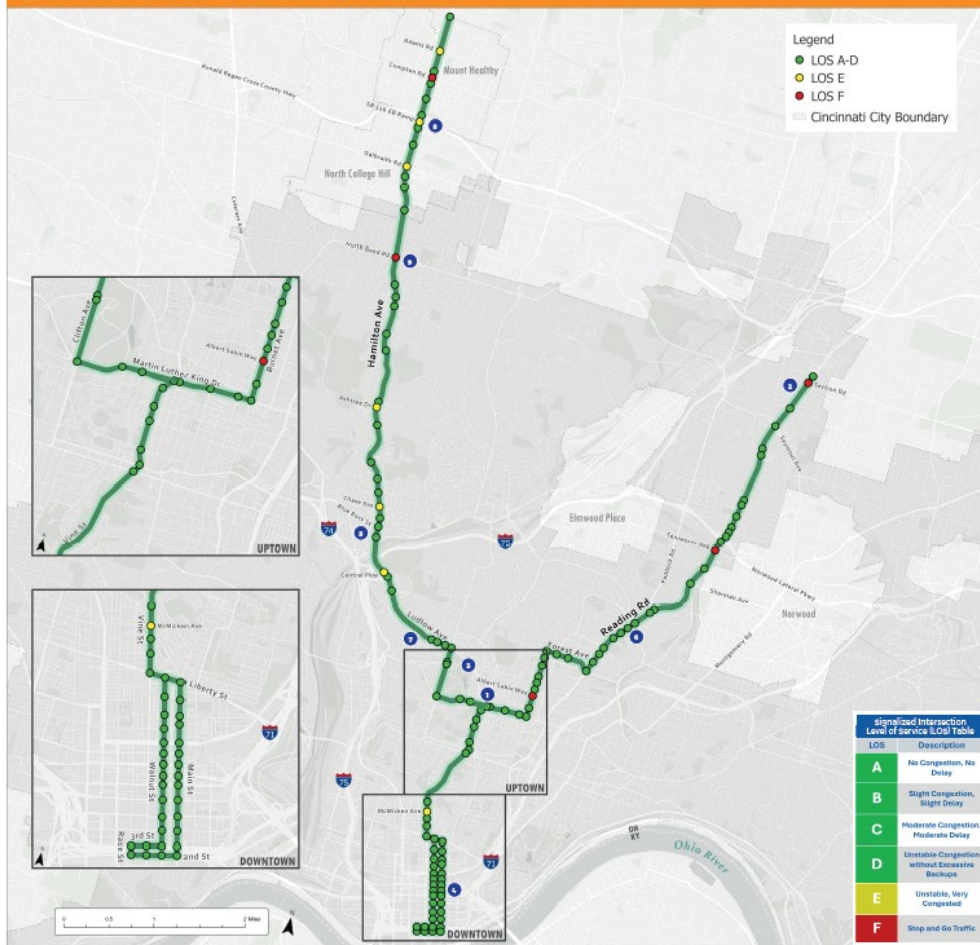


Traffic

TRAVEL TIMES (PROPOSED BRT)

Starting Origin	Ending Origin	Proposed Travel Time	Time Savings
Valley Shopping Center	UC	26 Minutes	10 Minutes
UC	Valley Shopping Center	22 Minutes	17 Minutes
Valley Shopping Center	The Banks	43 Minutes	4 Minutes
The Banks	Valley Shopping Center	35 Minutes	16 Minutes
The Banks	UC	16 Minutes	7 Minutes
UC	The Banks	19 Minutes	2 Minutes
Hilltop Plaza Shopping Center	The Banks	47 Minutes	16 Minutes
The Banks	Hilltop Plaza Shopping Center	43 Minutes	23 Minutes
Hilltop Plaza Shopping Center	UC	30 Minutes	11 Minutes
UC	Hilltop Plaza Shopping Center	30 Minutes	8 Minutes

EXISTING LEVELS OF SERVICE



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Join us at the Maps!

- **Your feedback** is needed:
 - Final **station locations**
 - Proposed **travel lanes**
 - **Intersection** treatments
 - **Park** impacts
- **Please share** public meeting dates and locations with your constituents!

