



East Colfax Avenue Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)

Community Workshop 1: Broadway to Colorado Blvd.June 7, 2023

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Welcome! Please take a few minutes to complete this brief survey before we begin.



www.surveymonkey.com/r/colfaxbrtworkshop1survey

The workshop will begin at approximately 5:45 p.m.





Project Leadership & Partners

DOTI Project Leadership

David Krutsinger, Transit Director | Jon Stewart, Project Director | Brian McLaren, Project Manager

Project Partners



























Workshop Purpose and Agenda

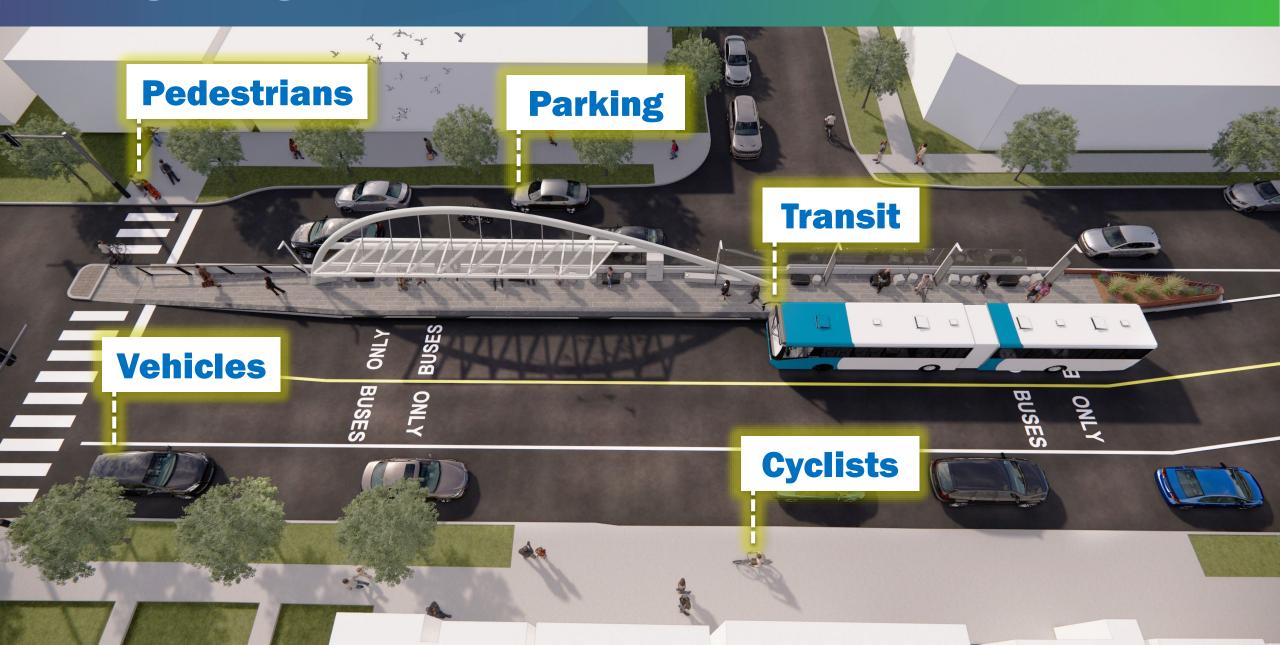
- Welcome, Introductions & Purpose
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- East Colfax BRT Vision, Benefits & How BRT Will Work
- Panel Discussion: Moving Through the Corridor with the BRT
- Open Discussion & Next Steps
- Open House







Moving Through the Corridor with BRT



Housekeeping & Ground Rules

- Opportunity for Q&A during the open discussion
 - In-Person: Raise your hands during Q&A; each person will have one minute
 - Virtual: Submit questions via Zoom Q&A function
- Please be constructive and respectful
- Open house will follow the panel discussion for in-person attendees



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Where We Left Off: Spring '23 Engagement Recap

Spring '23 Engagement Recap



Engagements with the BIDs, Task Force, community and other stakeholders In-person and virtual attendees at the April 12 Task Force meeting and April 18 Open House

Community survey responses collected between April 12 and May 5

Individual comments on the survey

Public Comments: Key Themes

- Prioritize safety, comfort and accessibility at BRT stations
- Enhance the pedestrian and cyclist experience
- Ensure public art reflects the character and history of the local community
- Supplement preferred digital communications channels (i.e., website and email) with earned media and targeted community events or neighborhood meetings
- Center forthcoming community outreach on substantive issues such as the project's benefits, traffic and safety impacts, and small business support
- Consider opportunities to expedite the project timeline





Public Art Selection Panel Next Steps

- Applications closed May 12
- Arts & Venues received more than 30 applications
- Applicants represent a diverse mix of backgrounds and abilities

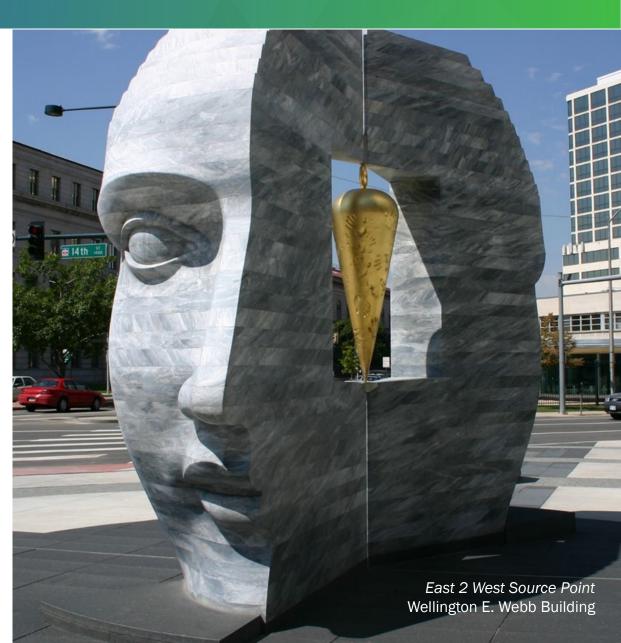
Timeline:

Summer 2023: Art selection panel approval

Fall 2023: Orientation meeting

Public Art Selection: 6 - 9 months



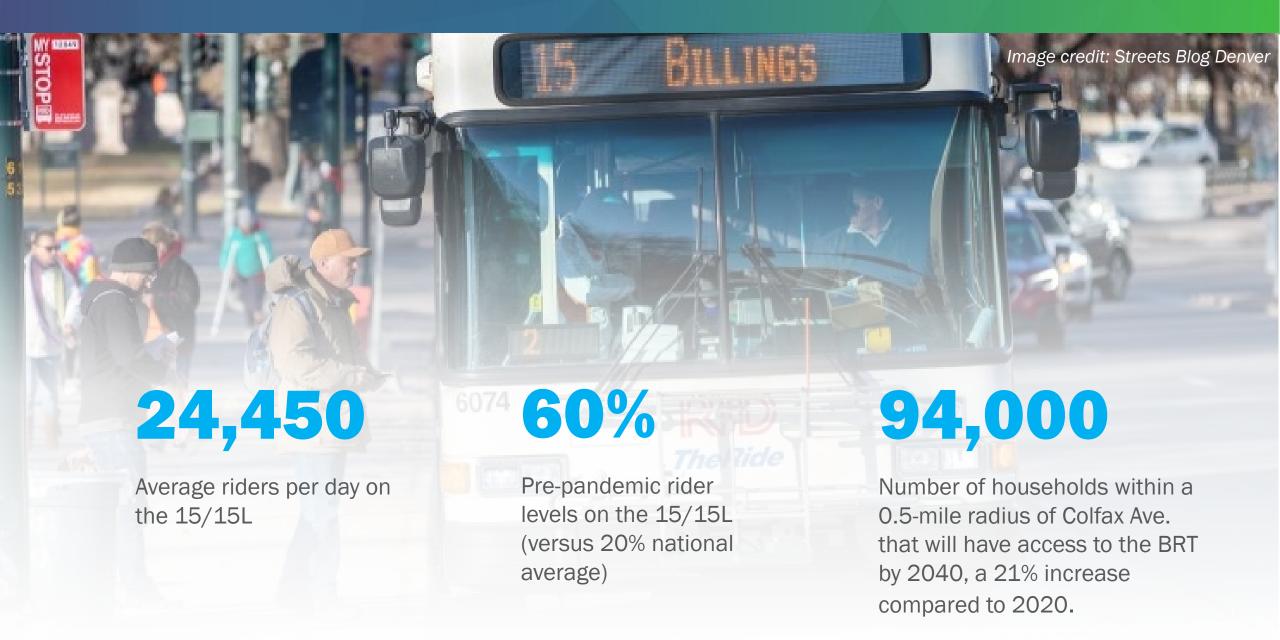


East Colfax Ave BRT: Vision, Benefits & How BRT Will Work

Advancing Denver's Transportation Vision



East Colfax Ave: A Perfect Candidate for BRT Investment



East Colfax Ave BRT Purpose & Benefits



Social

- Provide reliable, sustainable
 travel options
- Improve safety, comfort and convenience
- Support vibrant, walkable & connected neighborhoods



Economic

- Deliver bus travel time savings
- Lower household
 transportation burden
- Enhance access to jobs
 & services



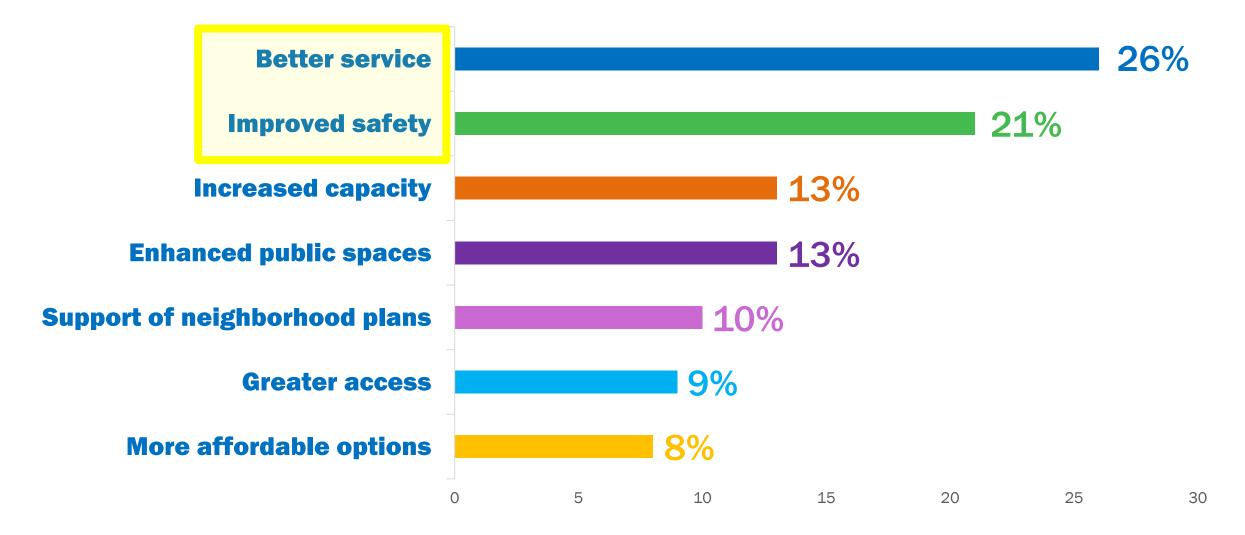
Environmental

- Reduce **GHG emissions** from vehicles
- Improve air and noise quality
- Promote greener streets





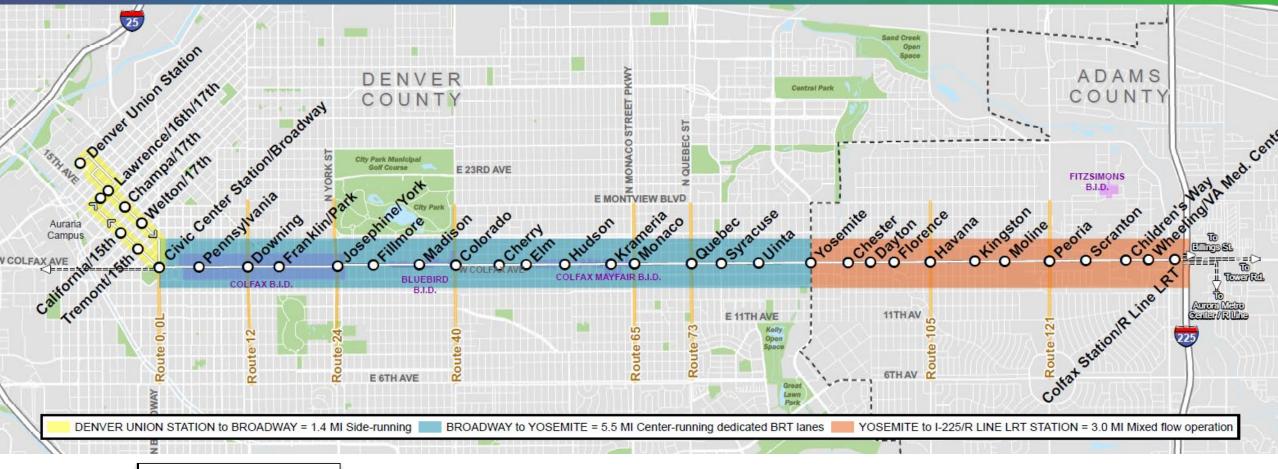
Top Project Benefits- Fall 2021 Public Survey







East Colfax Ave BRT Alignment & Stations









East Colfax Ave BRT Project Timeline



Preliminary Design, Engineering & Environmental Review

FTA Small Starts **Project Rating** Application

City of Aurora & CCD IGA

Final Design

- March '23: Receive FTA **Small Starts Rating**
- July '23: Submit Categorical Exclusion as part of NEPA review
- July '23: Onboard **Construction Manager General Contractor**
- August '23: Apply for FTA **Small Starts Construction** Grant after 60% design

Revenue Operations

Construction

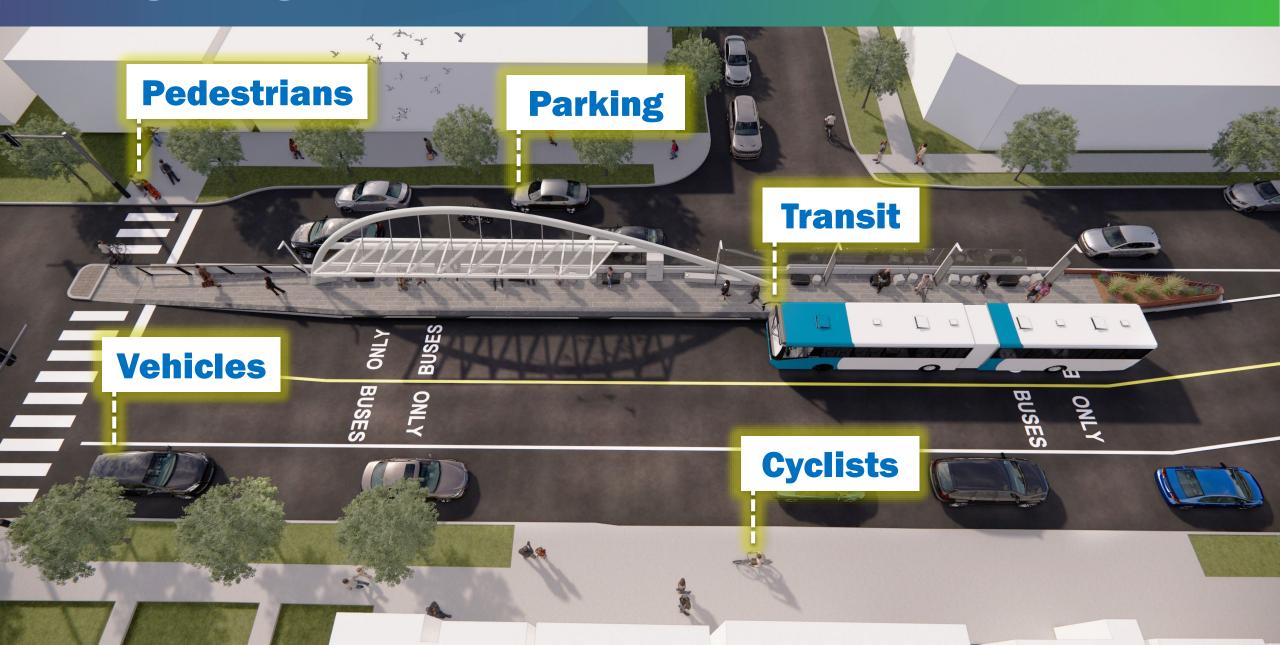


Public Engagement continuous through design phases





Moving Through the Corridor with BRT



Panel Discussion: Moving Through the Corridor with BRT



Jon Stewart

Denver Department
of Transportation &
Infrastructure



Stephen Rijo

Denver Department of Transportation & Infrastructure



Curt Upton

Denver Community

Planning &

Development



Doug Monroe

RTD



Charlie Alexander
Fehr & Peers



Nick Vanderkwaak Fehr & Peers

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Q&A

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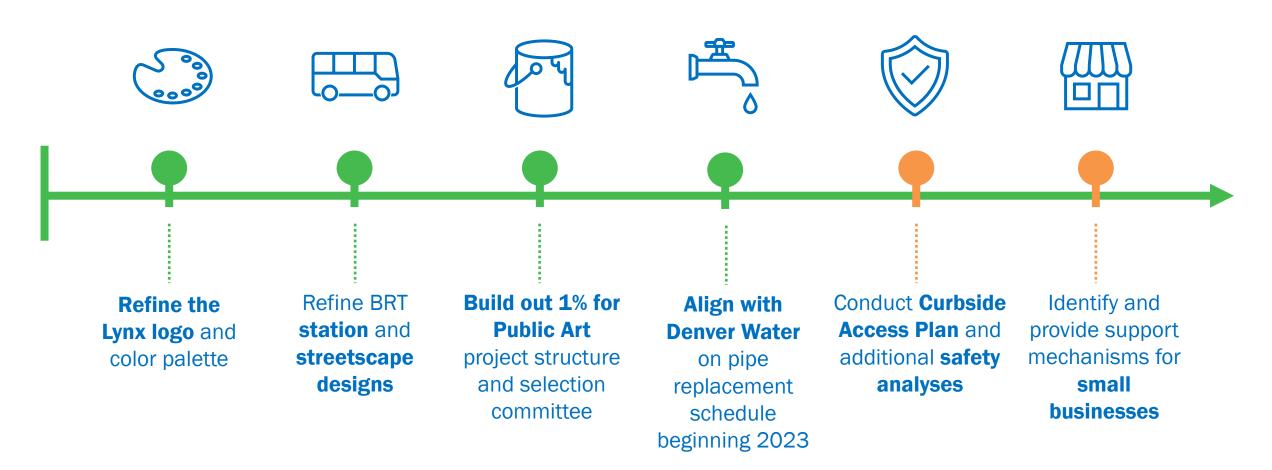






Next Steps

Where We're Going: Final Design to Construction (2023+)









Stay Engaged

Stay Engaged!

- DenverGov.org/ColfaxBRT
 Project Website
- aecomviz.com/Colfax360/
 Virtual Engagement Hub
- Public Inquiry Form
 Available at DenverGov.org/ColfaxBRT
- Community Updates
 Sign up at DenverGov.org/ColfaxBRT
- In-Community Events
 Suggest an event by completing the form at DenverGov.org/ColfaxBRT



