# City Mobility Planning Inner West Loop Mobility Study

Public Meeting #2
December 11th, 2012





#### Stakeholder Advisory Committee

- Claude Anello, Old Sixth Ward TIRZ
- Claude Wynn, Montrose Management District
- Darren Sabom, Bike Houston
- David Crossley, Houston Tomorrow
- David Robinson, Neartown Association
- Jamie Brewster, Upper Kirby District
- Jane Cahill, Super Neighborhood 22
- Kay Warhol, Richmond Rail
- Matt Thibodeaux, Midtown
- Ralph De Leon, City of Houston Economic Development
- Renissa Garza Montalvo, City of Houston Parks & Recreation Department
- Vanessa Sampson, Fourth Ward
- Zakcq Lockrem, Citizens Transportation Coalition
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#### **Steering Committee**

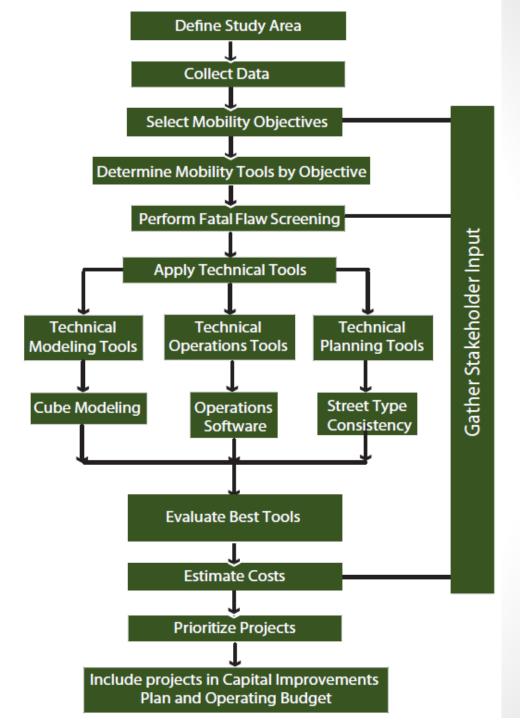
- City of Houston Public Works & Engineering Department
- City of Houston Planning & Development Department
- Houston-Galveston Areas Council
- Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County

### Agenda

- Review of the purpose of the Study
  - Planning Level Study Identification of needs and issues not detailed engineering
- Review of the DRAFT Report and Project Recommendations
- Discussion of Multi-Modal Classification System recommendations
- Open House



#### **Process**



#### Schedule Overview

- Data Collection January March
- First Public Meeting March
- Existing Conditions Analysis March June
- Future Conditions Analysis May August
- Mitigation Strategies and Potential Project Development
   April August
- Second Public Meeting December
- Development of Draft and Final Report July-October
- Review, Comment, Public Meeting September-December



## Goals for the Meeting

- Feedback
  - Project recommendations
  - Corridor concepts
  - Overall process
  - Elements that were missed
  - Validate recommendations from the draft report
- Education
  - Limitations of what was examined
  - Process moving forward



#### Comment Themes – Mtg. #1

- Better pedestrian infrastructure and ADA solutions
- More options for on-street biking local streets
- Creating logical connections to commercial activities
- Protecting Local (Neighborhood) Streets
- Adequately addressing localized congestion
- Lack of access across freeways some exceptions
- Some roads are too narrow



#### CMP Goals and Objectives

- Increased access to transit facilities
- Increased access to pedestrian facilities
- Increased access to bicycle facilities
- Improve connectivity of the system
- Accommodate the movement of freight
- Cost efficiency 6.
- Minimize travel times
- Reliable commutes
- 10. Minimizing conflict points

- 11. Provide a safe and secure environment for pedestrians and bicyclists
- 12. Neighborhood traffic
- 13. Air quality conformity
- 14. Ability to maintain infrastructure
- 15. Maintain a system that is **Energy Efficient**
- 16. Improve corridor aesthetics
- 17. Expand pedestrian Amenities
- 18. Streets that are pedestrian scale
- Reduce increase in congestion 19. Facilitate all modes of travel

#### Summary of Recommendations

- Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements
  - Area-wide sidewalk gaps have been catalogued
  - Access Provisions per ADA requirements
  - Corridor Concepts include sidewalk buffers as appropriate
  - North/South and East/West corridors promote bike access
    - Dedicated and Shared Lane Treatments
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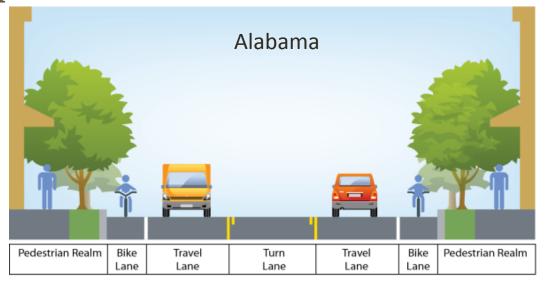
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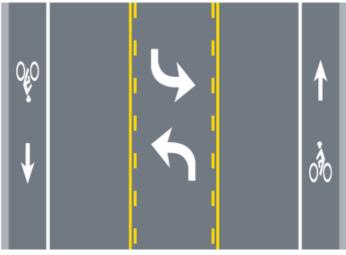
- Transit
  - Specific Corridors have been highlighted
    - Washington, Westheimer, Richmond, Shepherd, and Studemont/Montrose
    - Improvements to roadway section have been identified
    - Access via pedestrian and bicycle modes have been identified

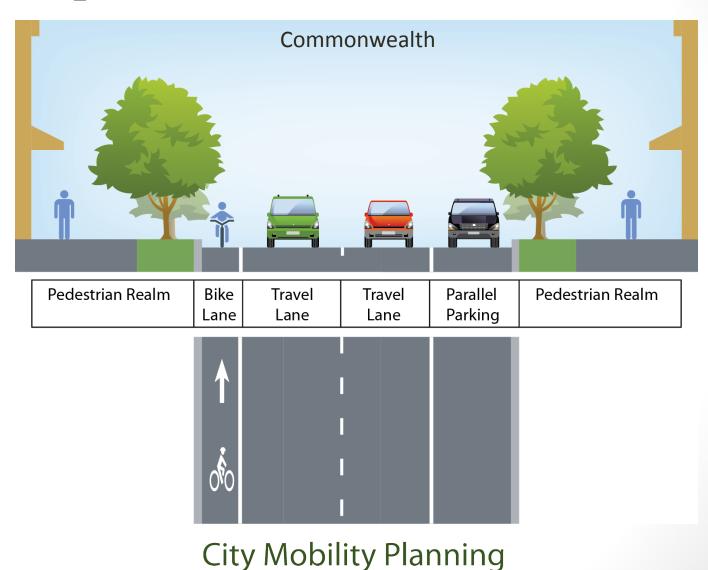


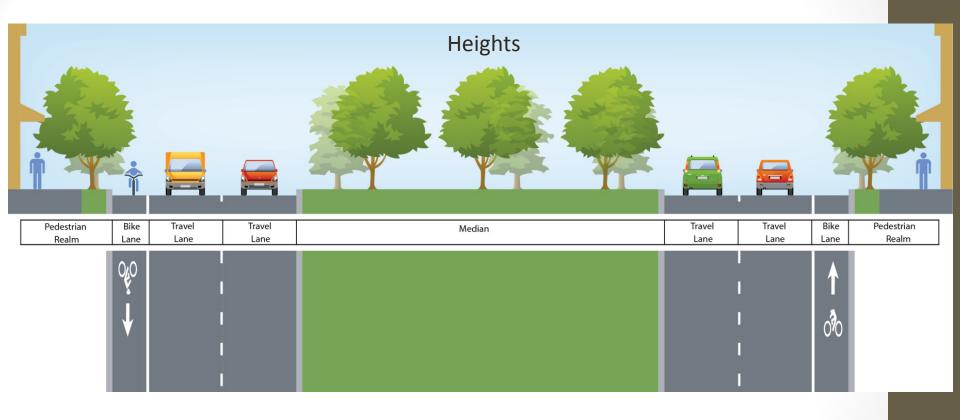
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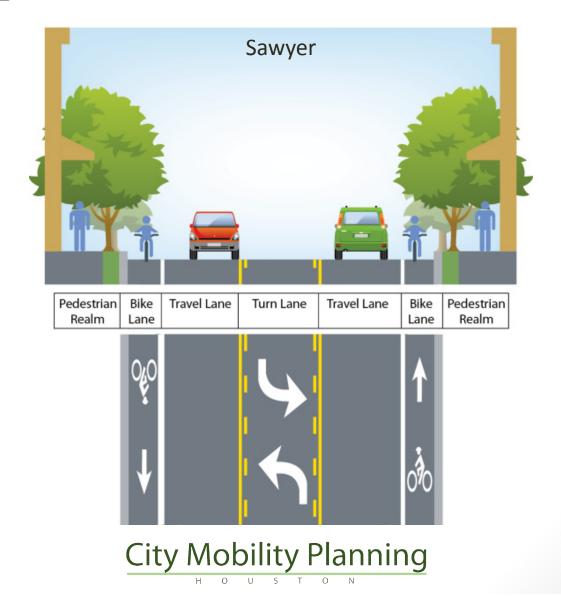
- Automobile
  - Intersection Specific Treatments
    - Turn-lanes as a focus given limited ROW
    - Current and 2035 improvements have been identified
    - Corridor concepts highlight alternative cross-sections where appropriate
      - Some improvements simplify the corridor operations

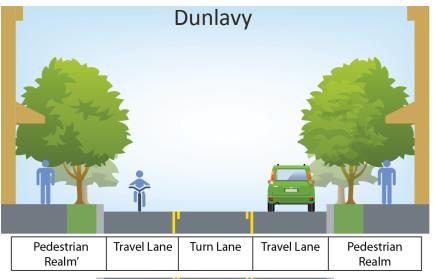




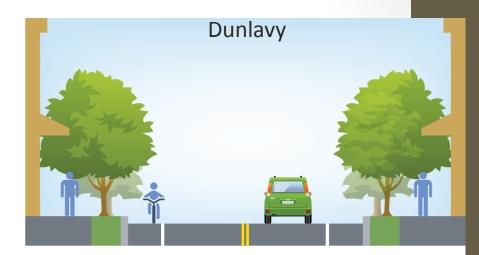


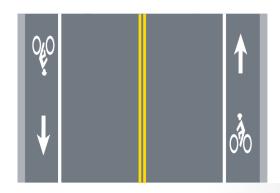




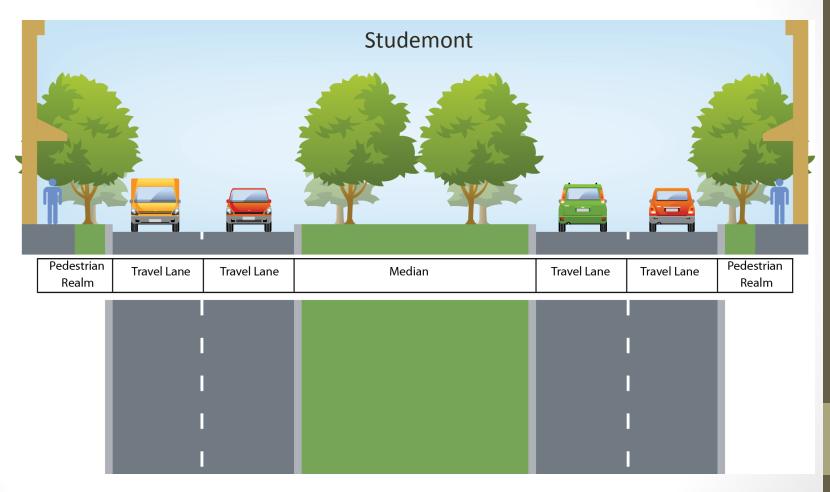


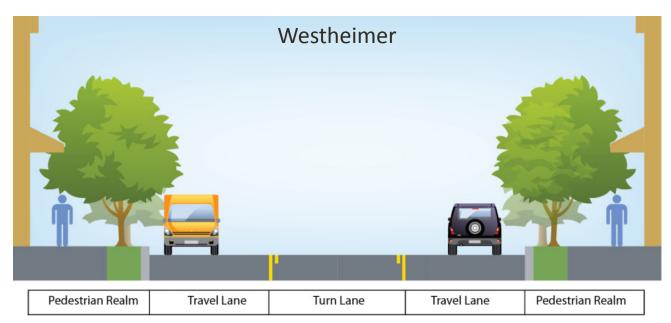


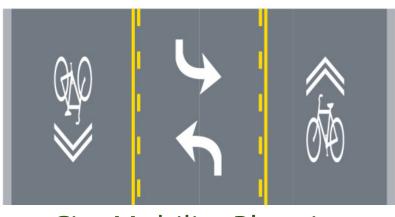












#### Next Steps

- Comments on materials presented tonight
- Review of current Draft Report
  - Posted online -
- Revisions to report and conclude project



# Next Steps beyond IWL Study

- Recommendations become input to:
  - CIP Improvement Plan Process (Considers the entire City Needs)
  - MTFP amendment requests
- Potential Policy Updates
  - IDM
  - Ordinance
  - Further Public Participation

#### Feedback/Comments

- Study Webpage <a href="http://www.houstontx.gov/planning/DevelopRegs/mobility/InnerWestLoop.html">http://www.houstontx.gov/planning/DevelopRegs/mobility/InnerWestLoop.html</a>
- Email <u>mobility.planning@houstontx.gov</u>
- Please provide your comments by Friday January 11, 2013

