

Fairfax Boulevard – McLean Avenue Farr Avenue – Warwick Avenue

Intersection Improvements Project

VDOT Project No.: 0050-151-225
UPC: 115545
Federal Project: NHPP-5B01(121)

Public Hearing
June 8, 2021



Public Hearing Objectives

- ▶ Project Overview & Design Presentation
- ▶ Discuss Right of Way Phase Process
- ▶ Answer Questions
- ▶ Invite Public Comment

Project Timeline

- ▶ May 2018: Public Input Meeting to present preliminary concepts
- ▶ June 2018: City Council work session to discuss results of public input meeting and discuss preferred concept
- ▶ July 10 2018: Council adopted Resolution to approve the City's submission to VDOT
- ▶ April 2019: VDOT approved City's SmartScale application
- ▶ **June 8, 2021: Design Public Hearing on 60% Plans**

Public Hearing

- ▶ The Public Hearing is an opportunity for the project team to present the project to a public audience at the 60% stage
- ▶ Individuals have the opportunity to have their comments and questions recorded verbally or in writing
- ▶ All comments are recorded and entered into the Hearing record
- ▶ The record is held open for 15 days after the hearing for additional written comments to be submitted
- ▶ Staff will compile comments and address any outstanding issues prior to finalizing the plans
- ▶ Staff will provide responses to comments provided at the Public Hearing and note any changes in the plans

Public Hearing Notification

- Two notices in the newspaper
- Notices to adjacent property owners
- Posting of notice in the project area
- Emails to property owners
- Posting on project website

**FAIRFAX BOULEVARD INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS
CITY OF FAIRFAX PUBLIC HEARING
June 8, 2021, 7:00 PM**

Held Electronically via GoTo Meeting
<https://www.fairfaxva.gov/government/mayor-city-council/council-meetings>

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Review project plans, information about property impacts, right of way policies, the tentative construction schedule and environmental documents at the hearing. This information will also be available 30 days prior to the public hearing at 10455 Armstrong Street, Room 200, Fairfax, VA 22030. Due to COVID19 an appointment may be required to view documents. Please contact Christina Alexander at christina.alexander@fairfaxva.gov if appointments are still required.

Give your written or oral comments at the hearing or submit them by Friday, June 18, 2021 to Christina Alexander, Transportation Capital Projects Manager at the City of Fairfax Public Works Department: 10455 Armstrong Street, Room 200, Fairfax, Virginia 22030 or christina.alexander@fairfaxva.gov.

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Click here for more information about the Public Hearing scheduled on June 8, 2021 at 7:00 pm for proposed roadway improvements at Fairfax Boulevard and Warwick Avenue, McLean Avenue and Farr Avenue.

April 2019 update:
This project is included in VDOT's Six Year Improvement Program (SIP) to receive FY 25 Smart Scale funding. For information about the Smart Scale process and other projects that are...

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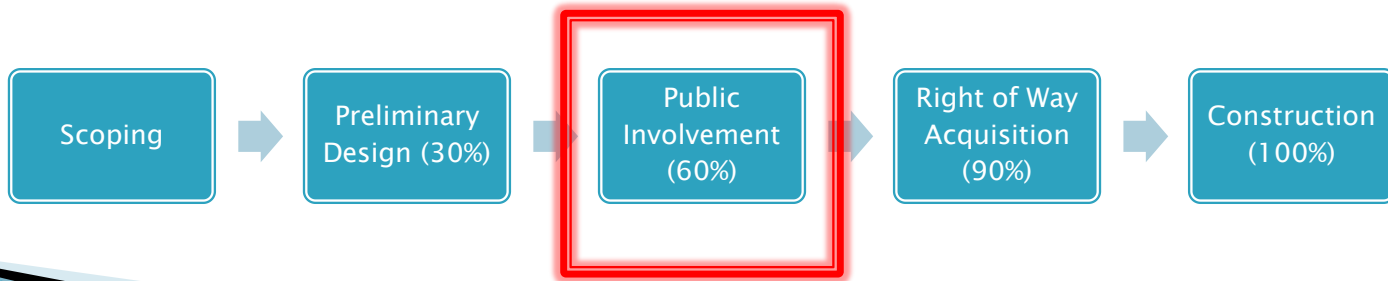
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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
Call 703-885-7420 or Visit www.fairfaxva.gov to arrange an appointment on staff Monday - Friday between 8:30 am and 5:00 pm.

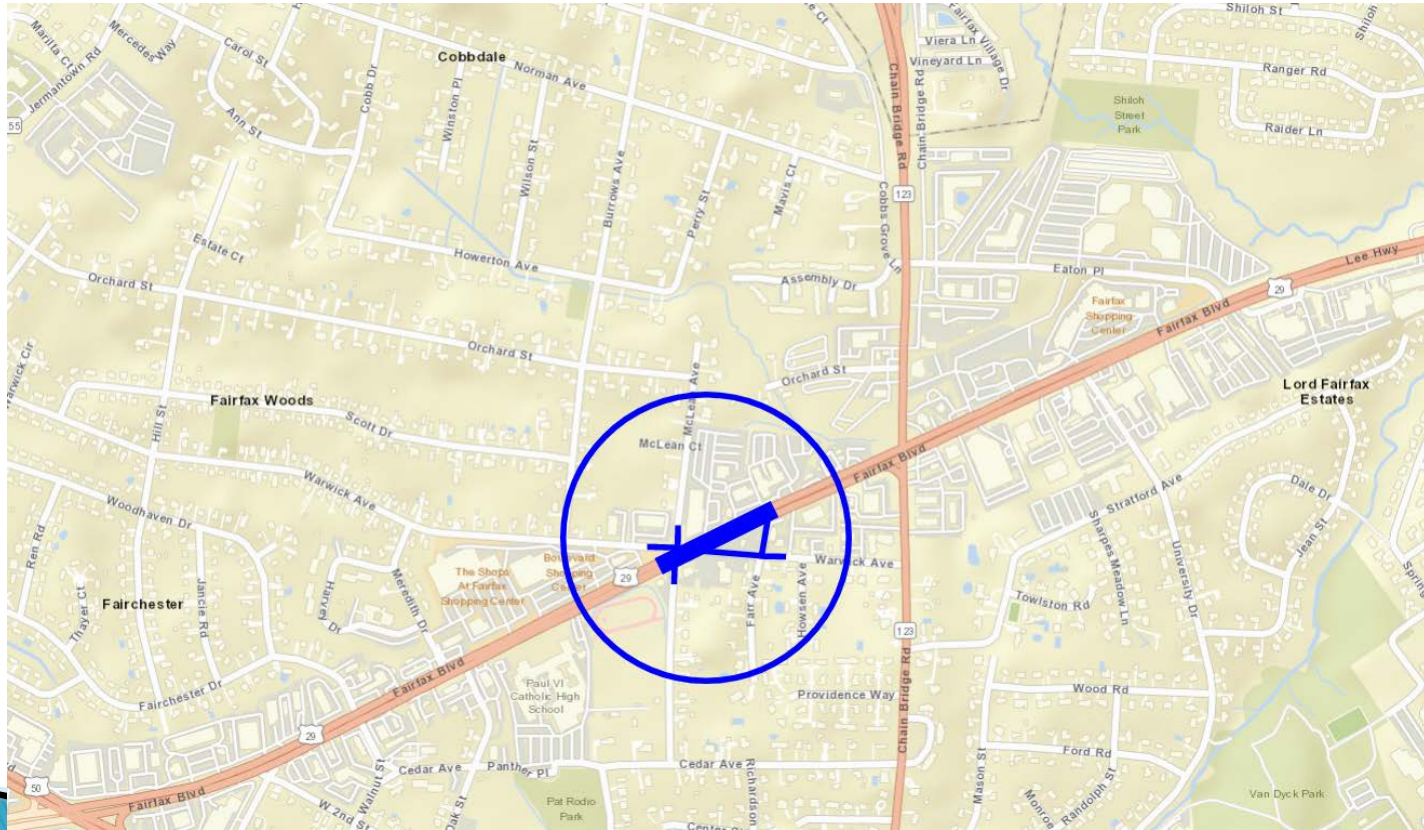
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Project Status

- ▶ Design advanced to Public Hearing Phase Plans – 60% Complete
 - Roadway and Drainage Design
 - Establish Geometric Criteria and Design
 - Bicycle and Pedestrian Accommodation Design
 - Environmental Studies and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Doc.
 - Programmatic Categorical Exclusion (PCE)



Project Location



Project Objectives

- ▶ Improve traffic flow and safety
 - Removes two legs from the existing intersection to reduce future congestion and delay on Fairfax Blvd by 20–65%
- ▶ Improve multi-modal mobility
 - Provide bike & pedestrian connectivity between Paul VI redevelopment to the west and Northfax redevelopment to the east.
 - Improve bike and pedestrian infrastructure at intersections to provide safer crossings across Fairfax Blvd
- ▶ Preserve redevelopment potential
 - Minimize impacts and maintain access to adjacent parcels to the greatest extent possible

City Comprehensive Plan & Vision

COMMERCIAL MAINS *Fairfax Boulevard*

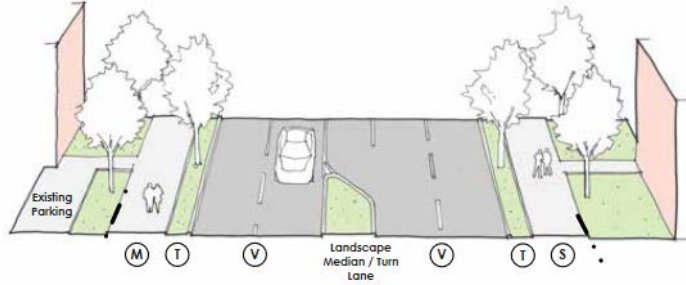


DIAGRAM KEY

- (V) Travel Lanes - 11' to 12' Each
- (T) Street Tree Zone - Min. 5'
- (S) Sidewalks - Varies 6' to 12'
- (M) Shared Use Paths
- (B) Bicycle Lanes - Min. 5'

NEIGHBORHOOD CIRCULATORS *McLean Ave. Warwick Ave. (N. of Rte. 29)*

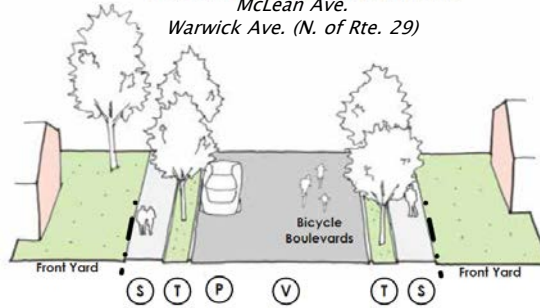


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- (V) Travel Lanes - 10' to 11' Each
- (P) On-Street Parking - 8'
- (T) Street Tree Zone - 5'
- (S) Sidewalks - 5'

LIMITED CONNECTION RESIDENTIAL STREETS *Farr Ave. Warwick Ave. (S. of Rte. 29)*

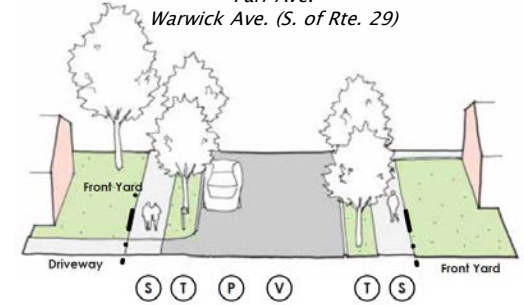


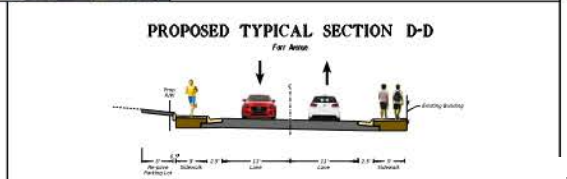
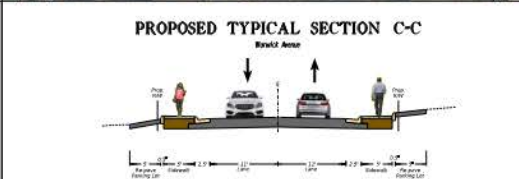
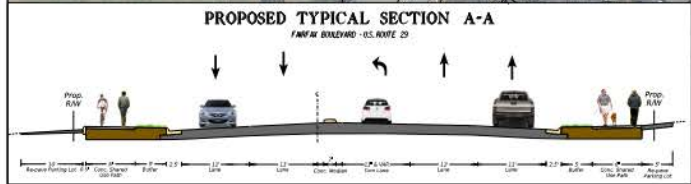
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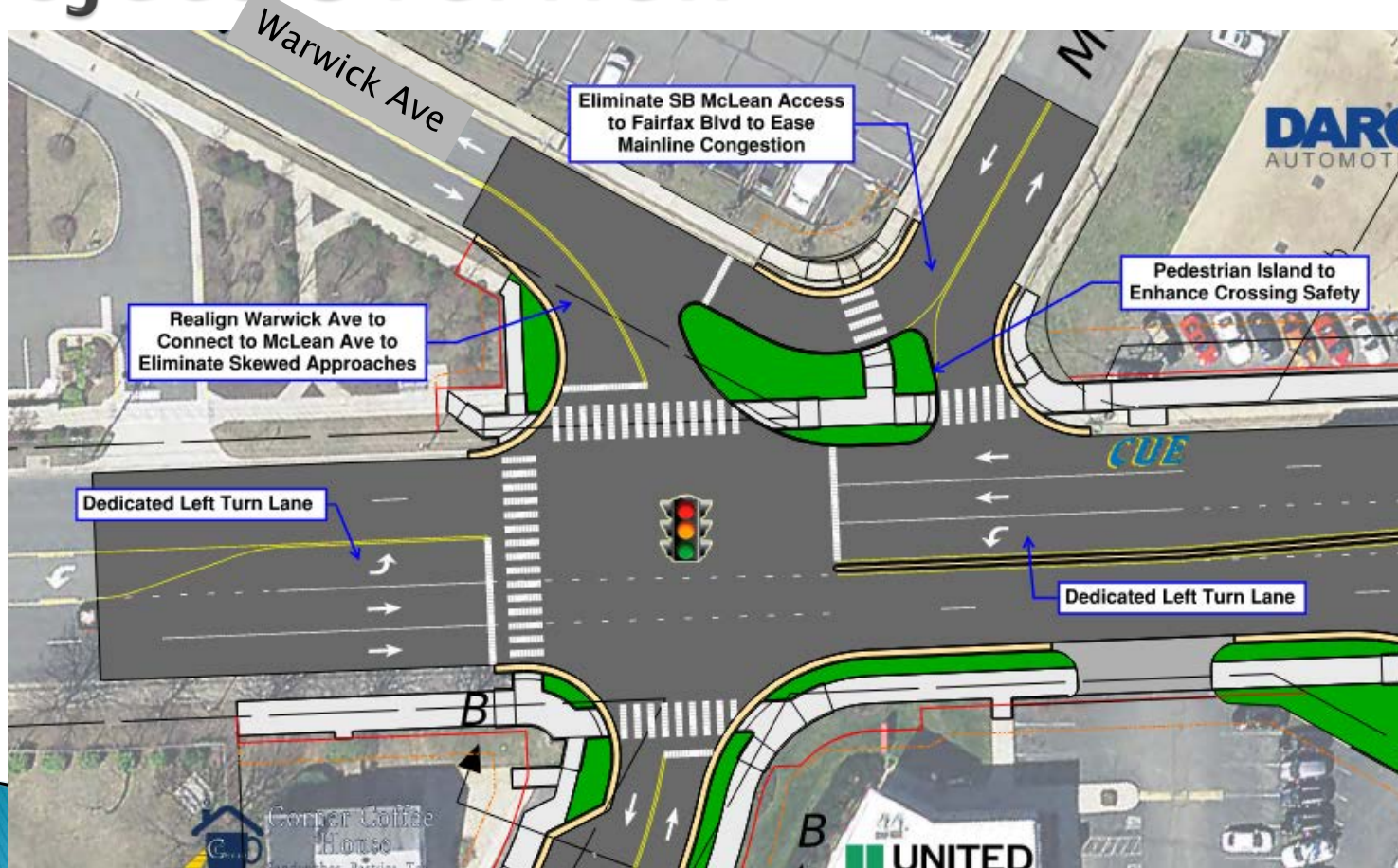
PUBLIC HEARING EXHIBIT - MAY 2021



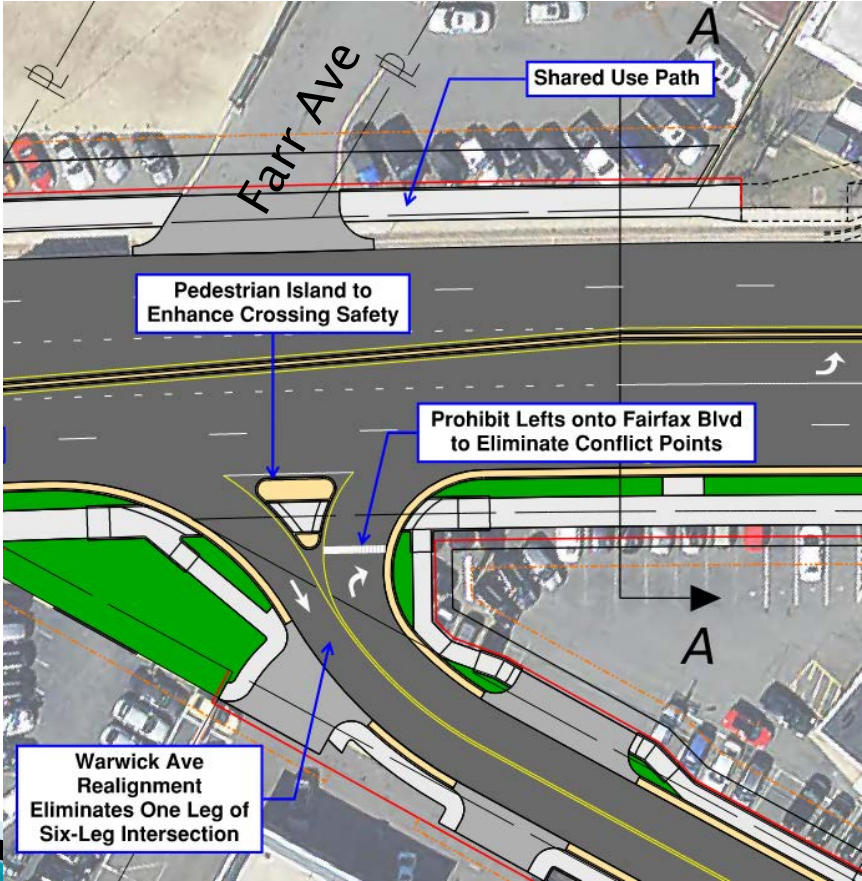
LEGEND

	Prop. Roadway Pavement		Prop. Concrete Median & Curb
	Prop. Conc. Sidewalk & Shared Use Path		Prop. Green Space
	Prop. Concrete Entrance		Upgrades to CUE Bus Stop
	Prop. Right-of-Way		Prop. Temp. Constr. Easement
	Exist. Property Line		Exist. Right-of-Way

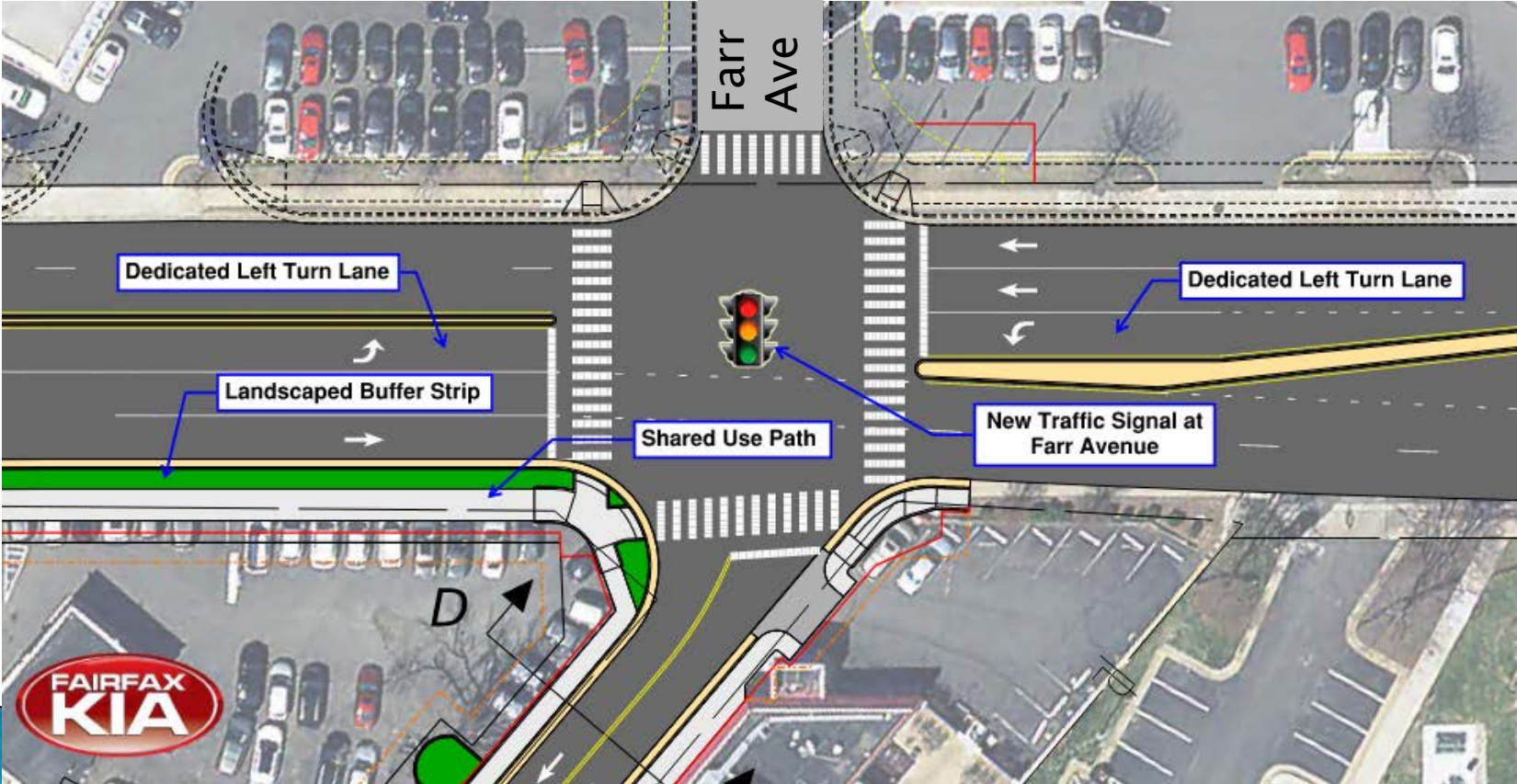
Project Overview



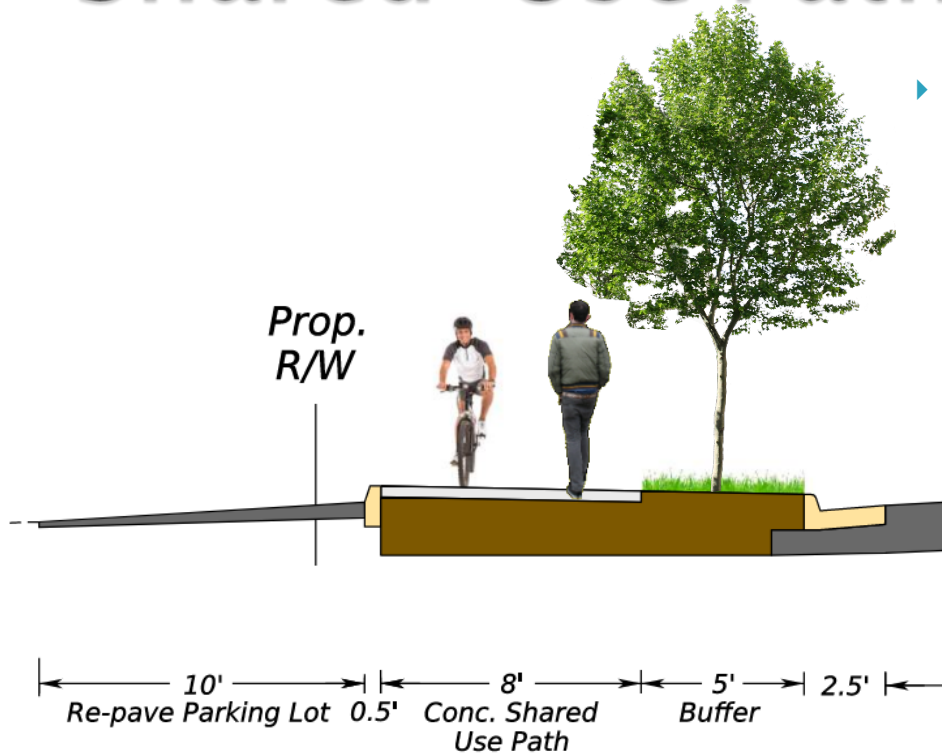
Project Overview



Project Objectives



Shared-Use Path & Landscaping



▶ Shared-Use Path Facilities

- An 8' wide path, similar to a sidewalk, intended for use by pedestrians and cyclists
- Provided on both sides of Fairfax Blvd with marked road crossings at McLean/Warwick and Farr Ave.
- Connects to and continues Paul VI and Northfax West developments

Landscaping

- A combination of street trees, grasses, and low-growth shrubs coordinated with surrounding City streetscapes
 - Grasses, Perennials, Ornamental Shrubs, Flowering & Shade Trees typical of Fairfax corridors
- Limited on-site vegetation today, particularly south of Fairfax Blvd
- Pedestrian islands and realigned road crossings present unique landscaping opportunities

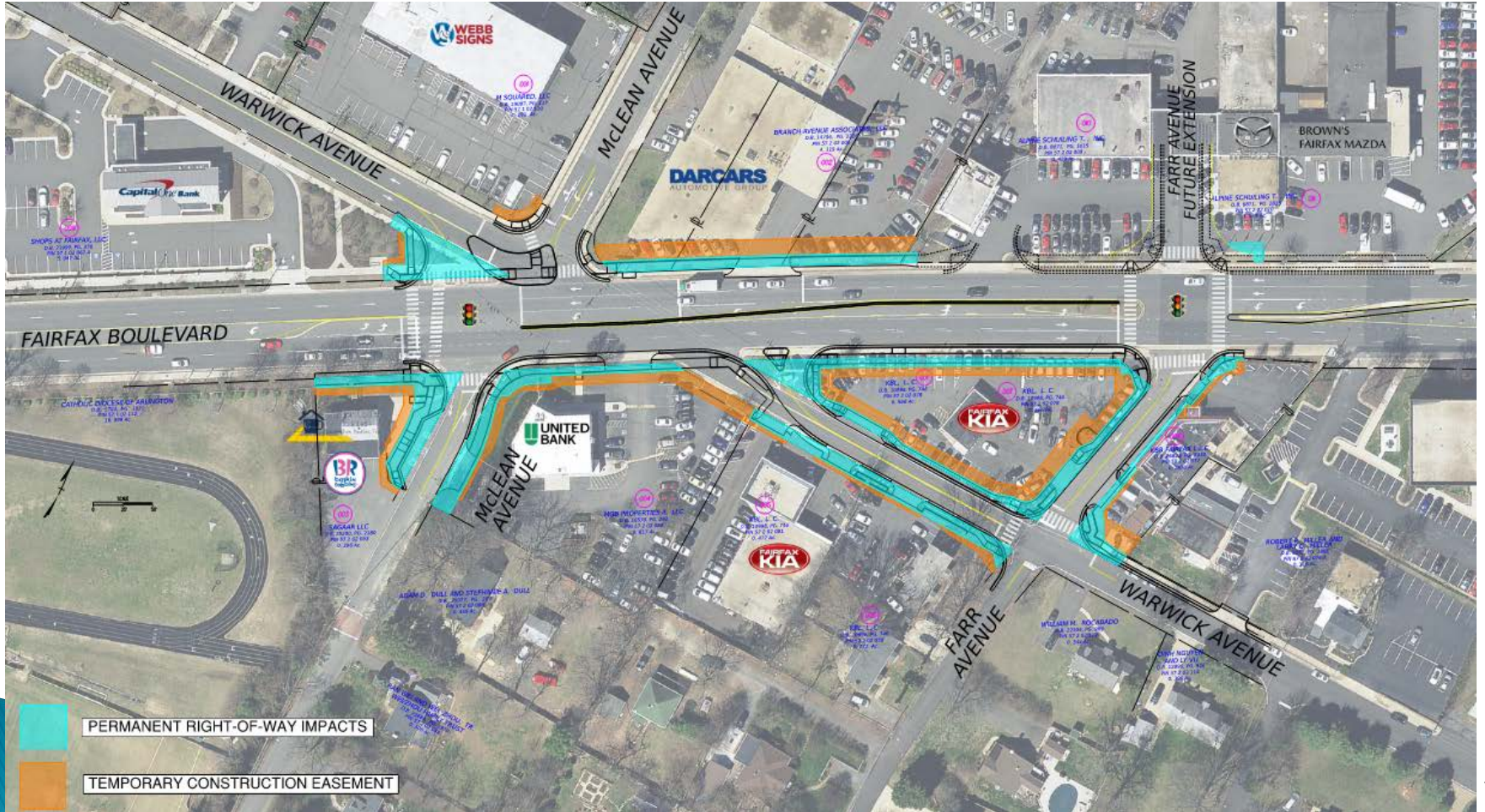
Right of Way Acquisition

- ▶ Eleven (11) Impacted Properties
- ▶ Right of Way and Easements Required
 - Project designed to minimize impacts to properties and maximize potential development opportunities

Acquisition Process

- ▶ Incorporate Public Hearing and property owner feedback into design
- ▶ Develop Right of Way Plans for VDOT review & authorization
- ▶ Title research, appraisals, and property valuation
- ▶ Offer letters presented to affected property owners
- ▶ Property owner meetings to negotiate final terms for acquisition
- ▶ Execute acquisition documents, close on the property, distribute compensation

Right of Way Acquisition



Project Schedule

- ▶ Public Hearing: June 2021
- ▶ Right of Way Acquisition & Utility Relocation: December 2021
- ▶ Advertise for Construction: Spring 2023
- ▶ Construction: August 2023 – July 2024

Project Budget

Project Estimates

Engineering (PE)	\$ 600,000
Right of Way & Utilities (RW)	\$ 3,600,000
<u>Construction (CN)</u>	<u>\$ 4,550,000</u>
Total	\$ 8,750,000

Project Funding

- 100% Federally Funded (HB2 – SmartScale)
 - Successful 2019 VDOT SmartScale Application by City to Secure Funding
 - Total Available SmartScale Funding: **\$8,839,327**

Questions / Comments?

*Contact information provided in project handout.
Comments must be received by June 23, 2021 to be
included in Public Hearing Record.*