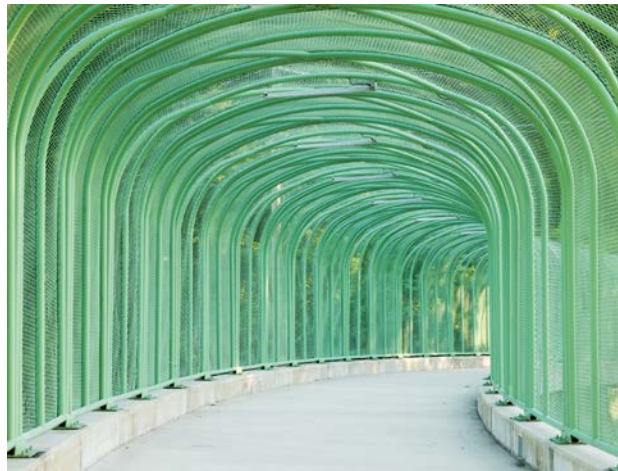




# VEIRS MILL

CONNECTING COMMUNITIES

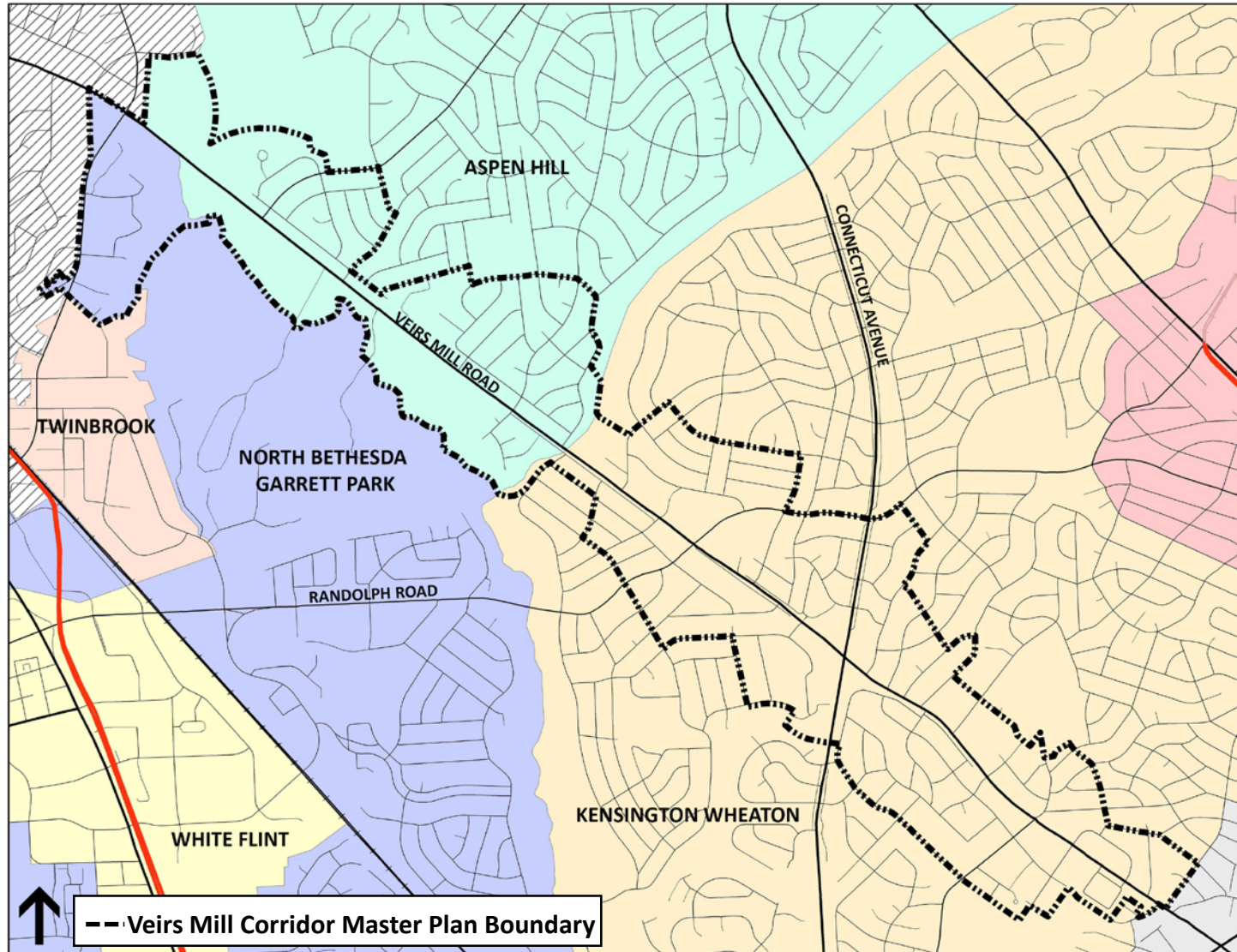


## **AGENDA**

- 7:00 p.m. Welcome and Opening Remarks
- 7:05 p.m. Review of Master Plan Process and Feedback Received to Date
- 7:15 p.m. Vision Zero Overview
- 7:20 p.m. Bicycle Master Plan Overview
- 7:30 p.m. Veirs Mill Corridor Master Plan – Vision and Recommended Approach
- 8:00 p.m. Discussion and Feedback on Recommended Approach
- 8:45 p.m. Next Steps



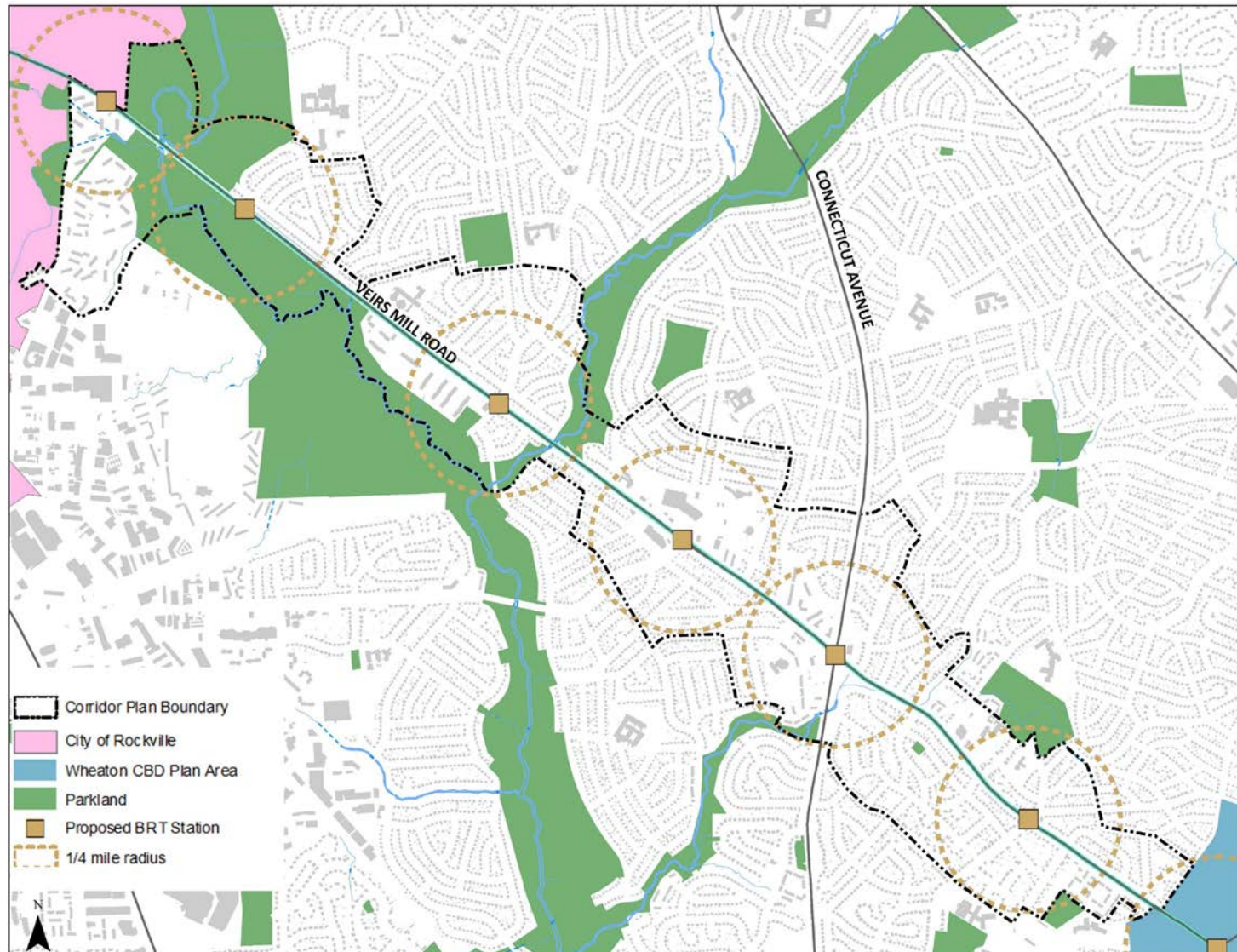
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## PLANNING PROCESS RECAP





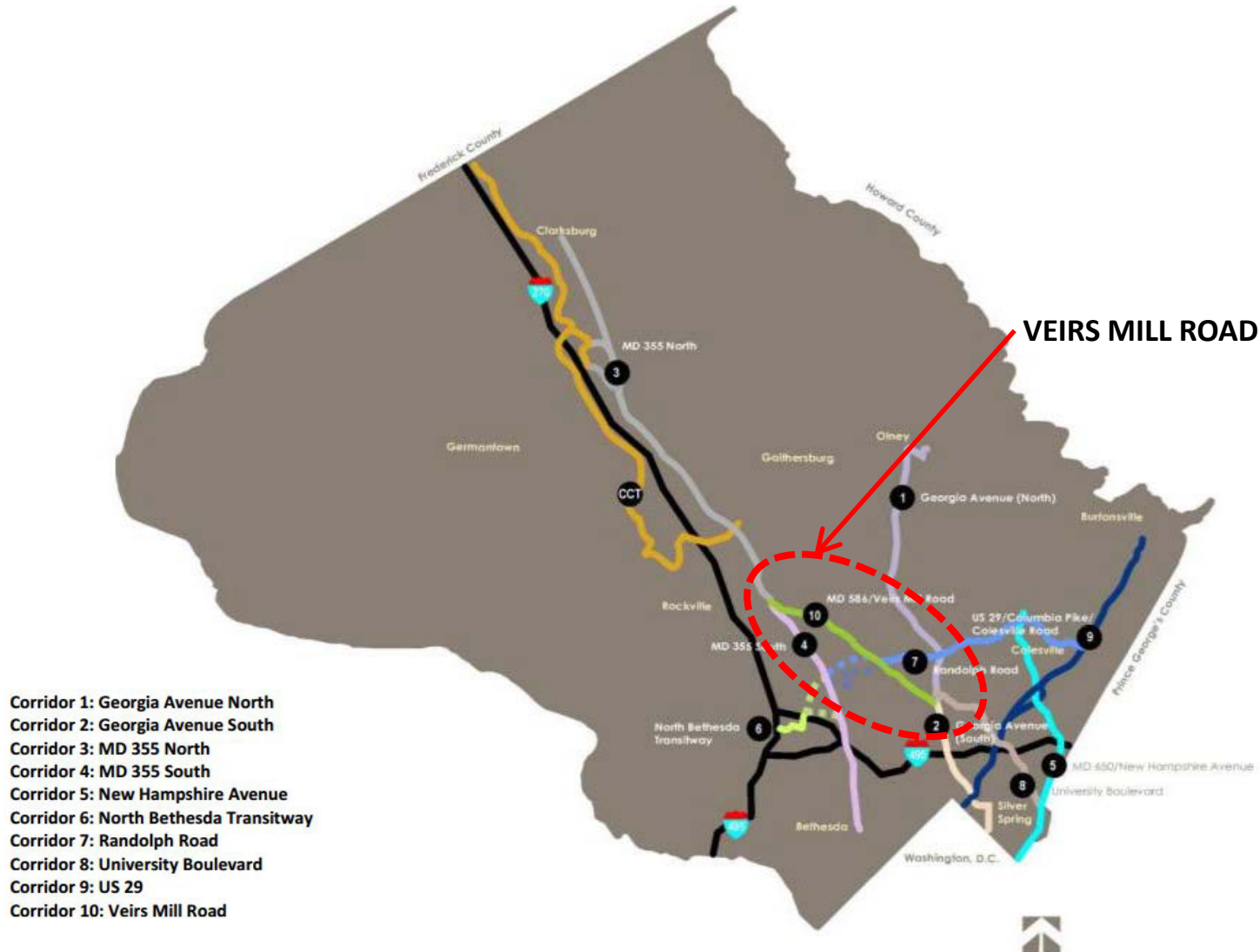


## PLANNING PROCESS RECAP





## VEIRS MILL BUS RAPID TRANSIT







## **COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

- Community Meetings:
  - February 22, 2017
  - March 29, 2017
  - May 15, 2017
- Neighborhood Events:
  - Taste of Wheaton
  - Wheaton North – Blooming the Neighborhood
  - Viers Mill Baptist Church – Summer Carnival
  - Holiday Park
  - National Night Out
  - Wheaton Arts Parade and Festival
- Online Engagement:
  - Interactive Feedback Map
  - Questionnaire







## COMMUNITY FEEDBACK

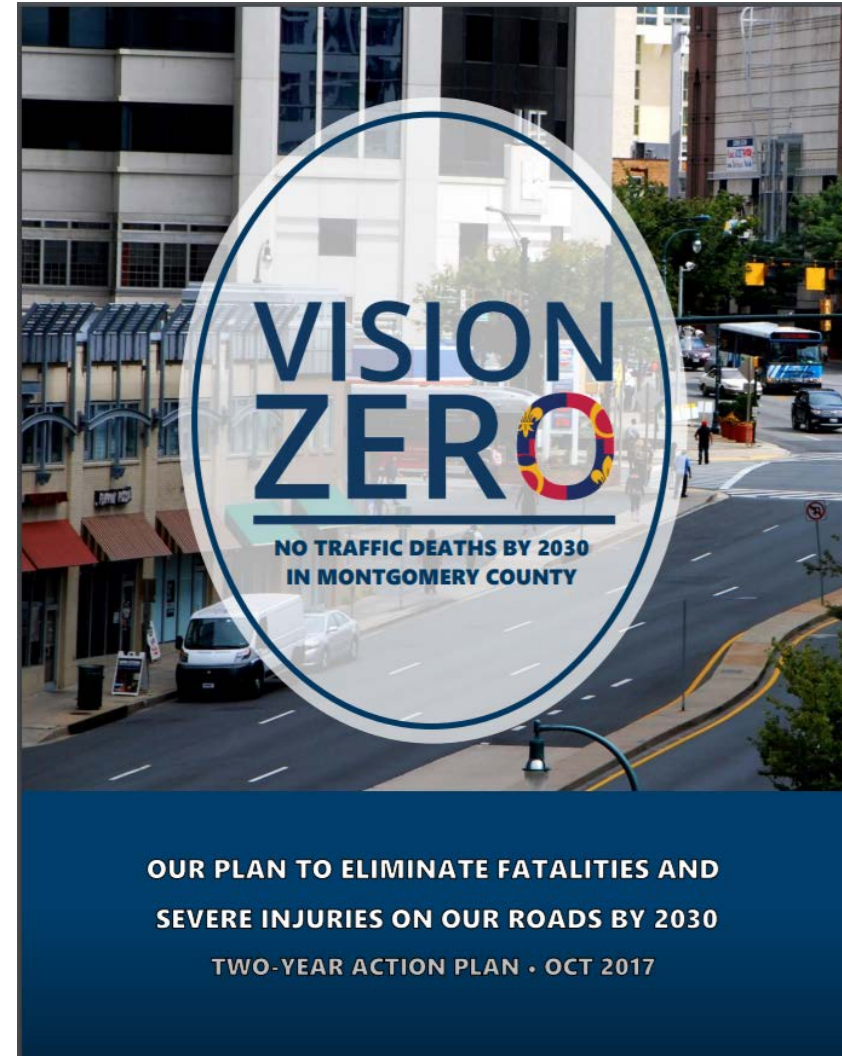






## VISION ZERO

- The County Council adopted Vision Zero by resolution on October 1, 2016.
- The Executive is required to develop and report on a Vision Zero Action Plan that includes:
  - The date by which to achieve zero deaths;
  - A set of activities that County agencies will take to implement the Action Plan; and
  - A set of recommended policy changes at the state and local levels
- The Executive designated a working group to develop the Action Plan, including representatives from the Planning Department.





## **BICYCLE MASTER PLAN**

- Purpose
- Outreach
- Recommendations
- Schedule





## BICYCLE MASTER PLAN - PURPOSE



Commuting

Running Errands

Going to School

Accessing Transit

Entertainment

Recreating





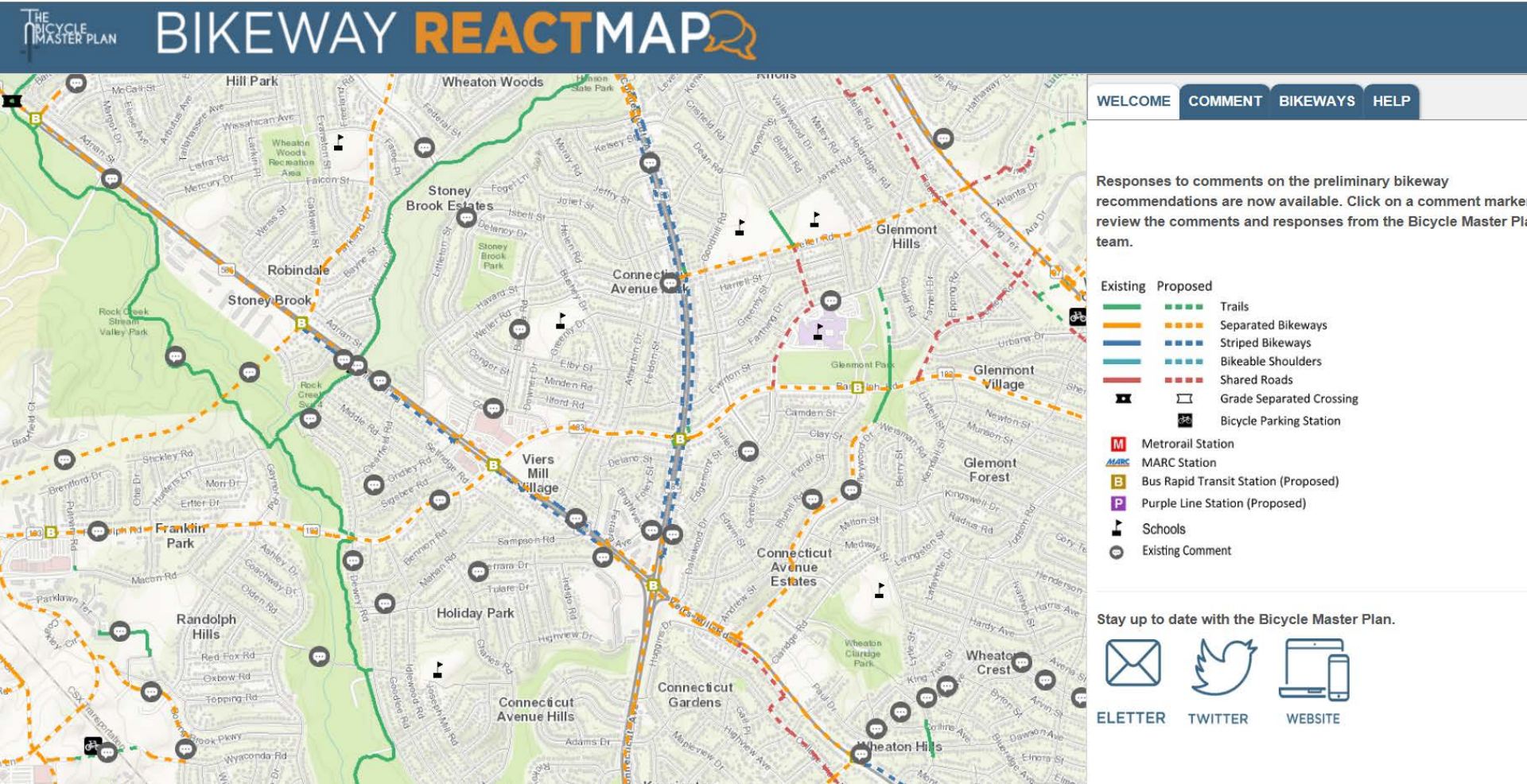


## BICYCLE MASTER PLAN - OUTREACH





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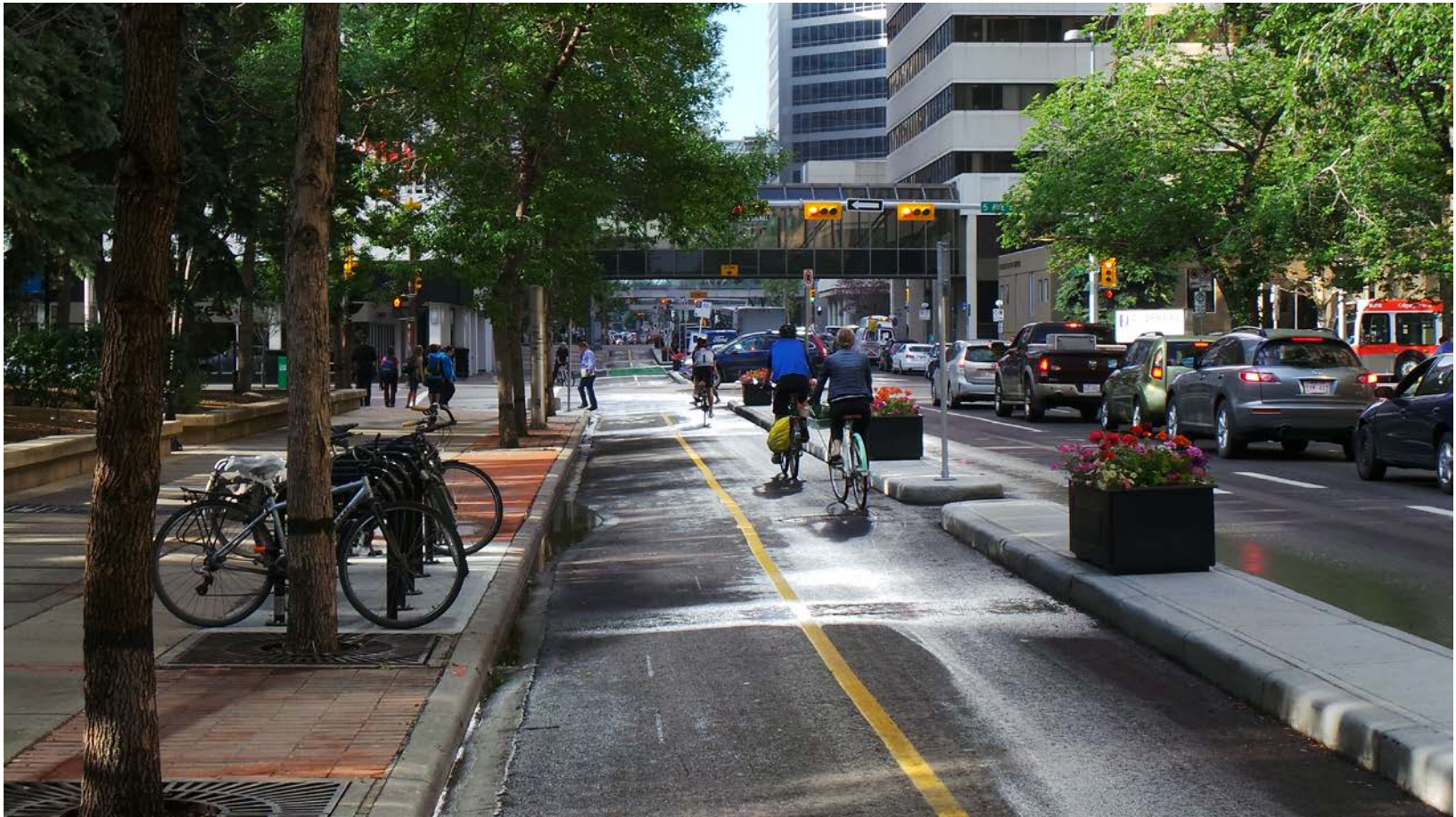


## BICYCLE MASTER PLAN - RECOMMENDATIONS





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## **BICYCLE MASTER PLAN - SCHEDULE**

- Summer 2017: Public Meetings
- December 2017: Planning Board Public Hearing
- Winter 2018: Planning Board Worksessions
- Spring 2018: County Council Public Hearing



## PLAN VISION

- Preserve and strengthen the Veirs Mill Corridor communities by enhancing existing community resources, increasing connectivity and promoting safety in the public realm.







## APPROACH

- Long-term recommendation to accommodate all desired transportation modes within the Master Plan right-of-way
- Interim recommendation to increase pedestrian and bicycle safety and mobility







## PEDESTRIANS







## BICYCLISTS



*Separated Bike Lane – Russellville, AK*



*Queens Plaza – Long Island City, NY*



*Proposed Streetscape – Kansas City, MO*





## BUS RAPID TRANSIT AND LOCAL BUS



*Bus Rapid Transit – Eugene, OR*



*Bus Rapid Transit – Cleveland, OH*

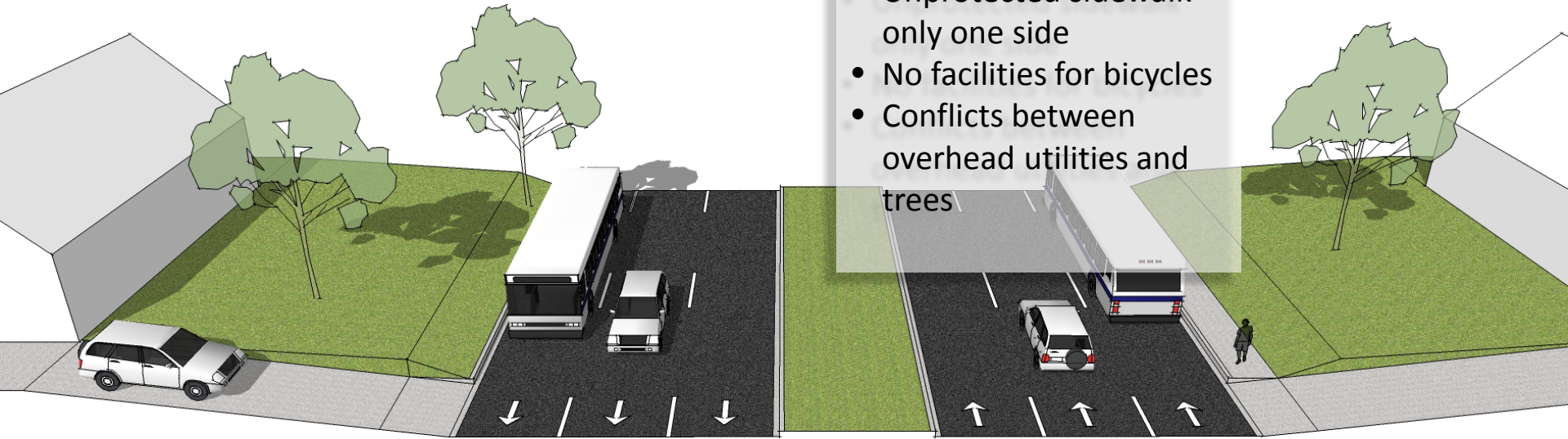


*Bus Rapid Transit – Alexandria, VA*





## CHALLENGES – CONSTRAINED RIGHT OF WAY



### Existing Conditions

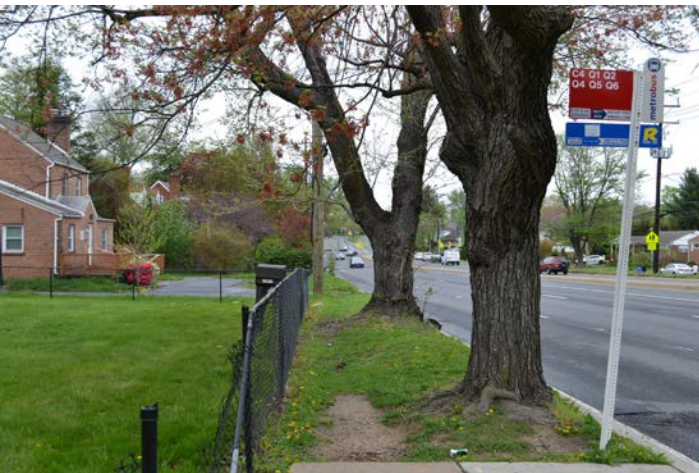
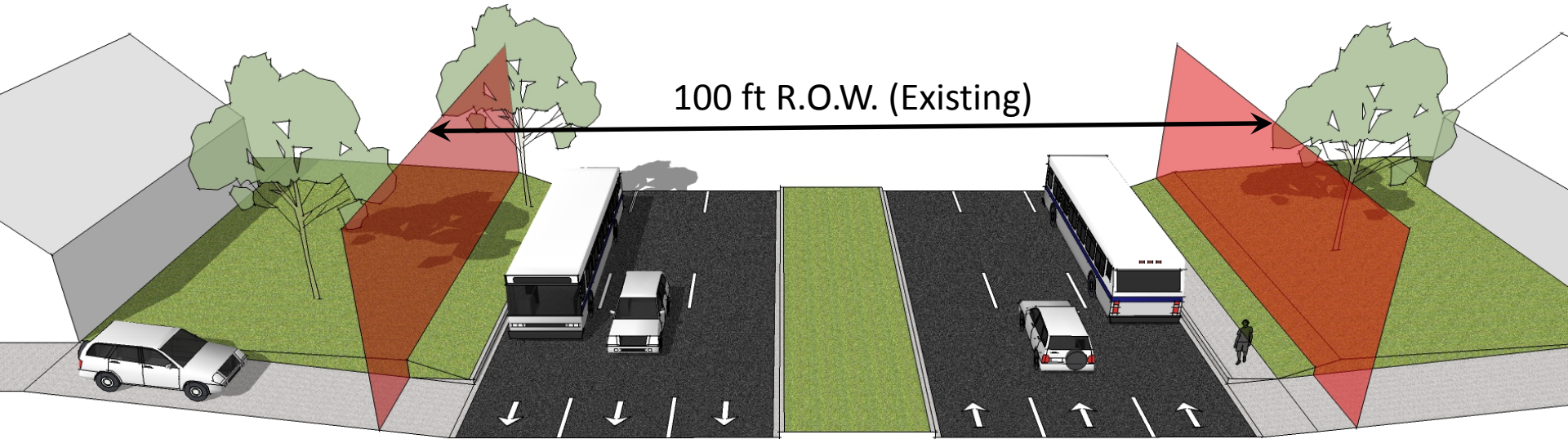
- Unprotected sidewalk only one side
- No facilities for bicycles
- Conflicts between overhead utilities and trees







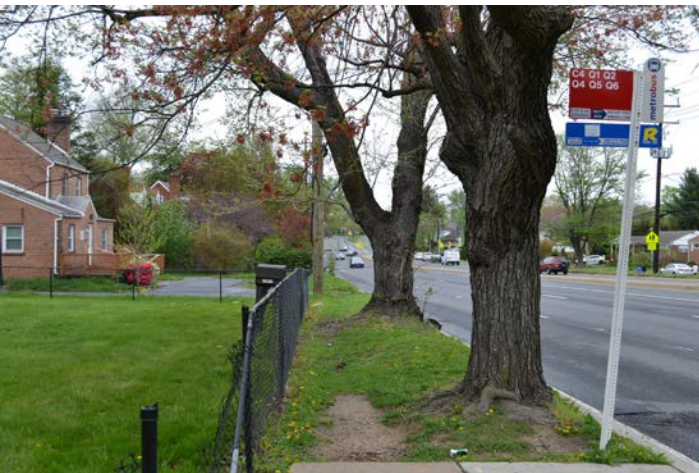
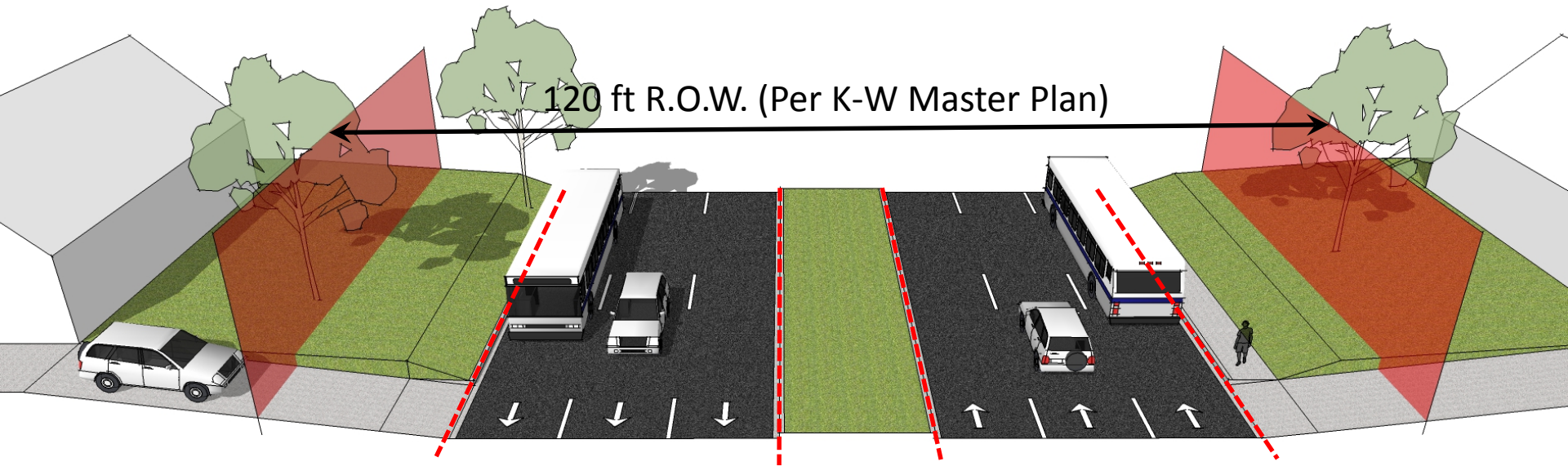
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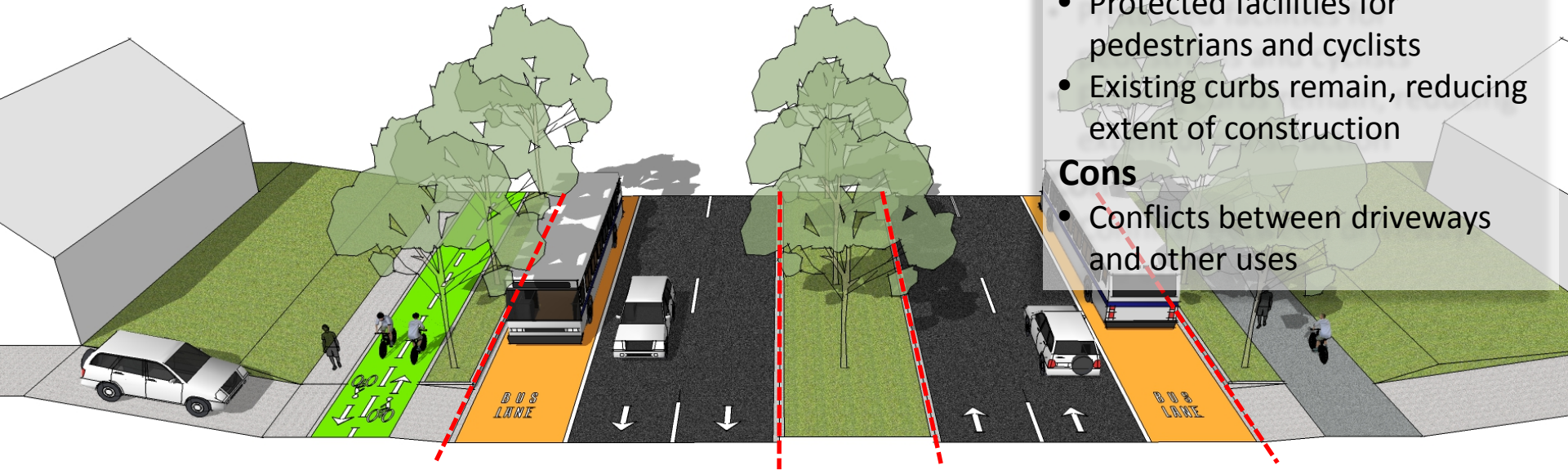
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## CHALLENGES – CONSTRAINED RIGHT OF WAY



### Pros

- Protected facilities for pedestrians and cyclists
- Existing curbs remain, reducing extent of construction

### Cons

- Conflicts between driveways and other uses



Protected Sidewalks



Protected Bikeways



Dedicated Busways

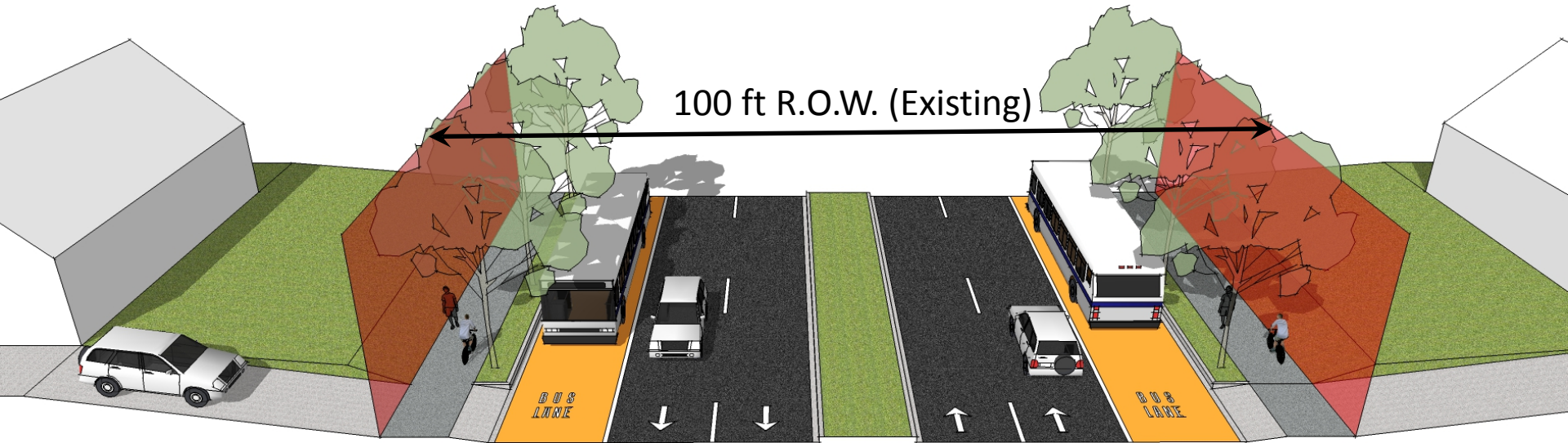


Shared-Use Pathways





## CHALLENGES – FUTURE STREETSCAPE



Dedicated  
Busways



Shared-Use  
Pathways

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### Cons

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## INTERIM IDEAS





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*Existing Conditions, Veirs Mill Road at Town and Country Community*



*Dale Drive, Silver Spring*

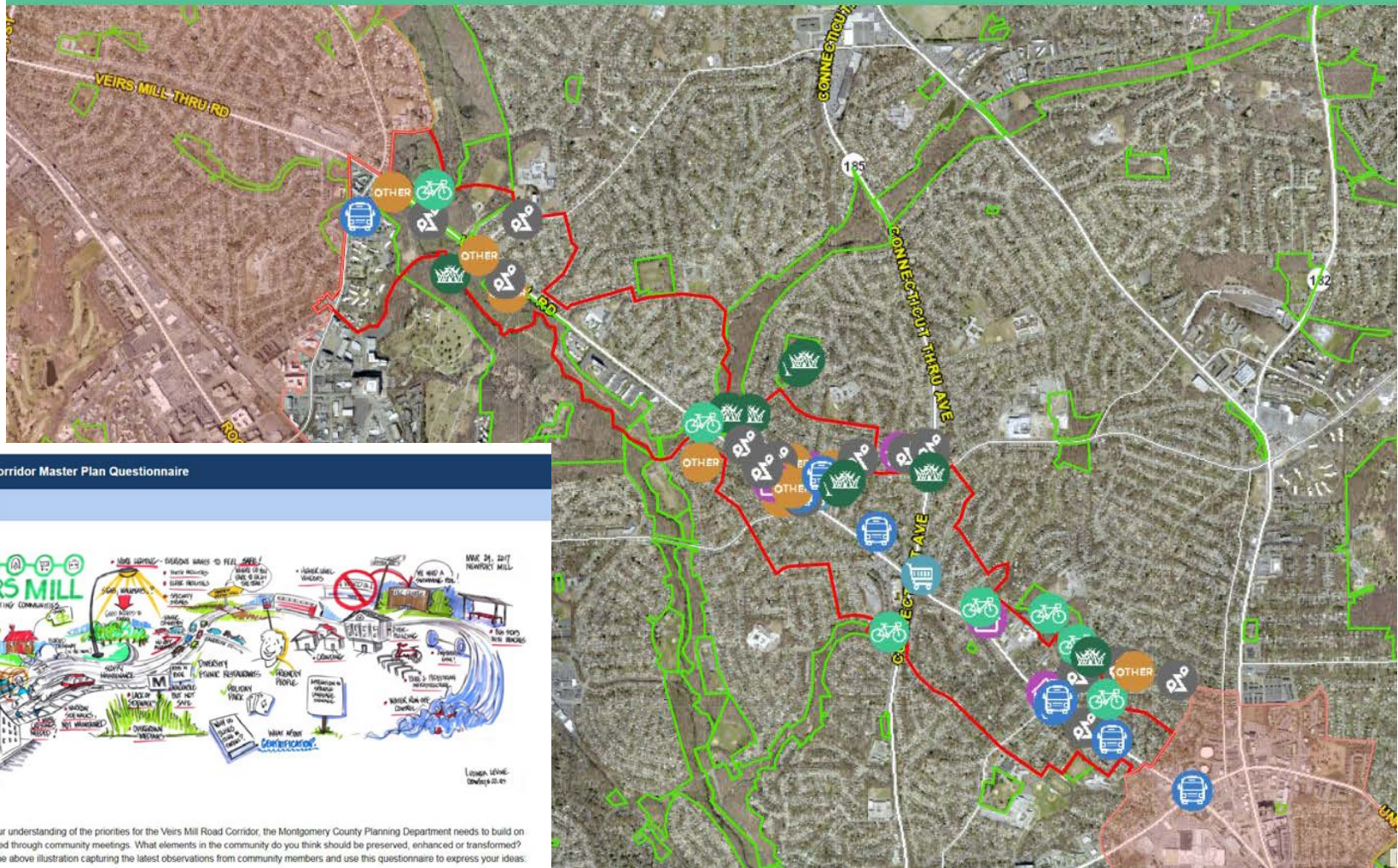






## COMMUNITY OUTREACH

# VEIRS MILL CORRIDOR PLAN FEEDBACK MAP





## **NEXT STEPS**

- October 24: Community Meeting #5
- Mid-December: Community Meeting #6
- January: Planning Board – Preliminary Recommendations
- February: Planning Board – Working Draft of Master Plan
- March: Planning Board Public Hearing
- March - April: Planning Board Worksessions
- April: Approval of Planning Board Draft Master Plan
- June: County Council Public Hearing

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