

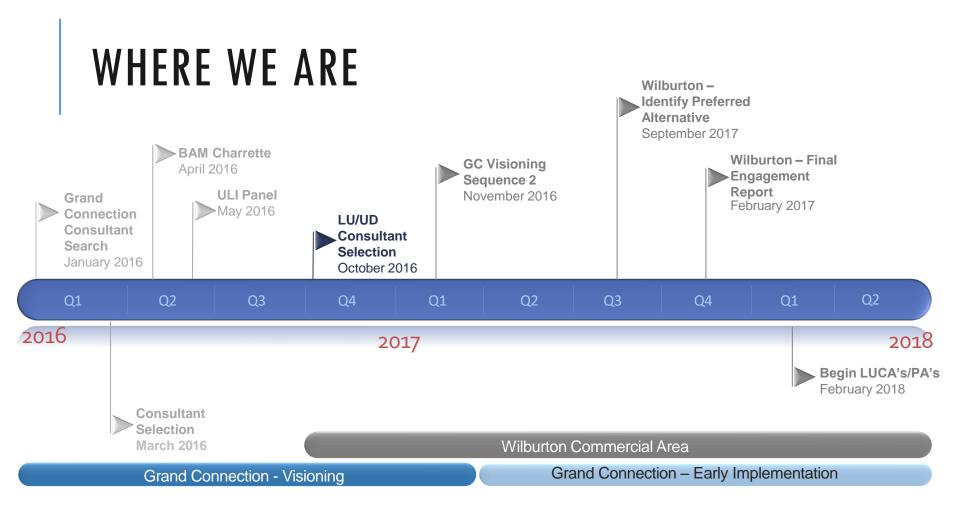
### BELLEVUE GRAND CONNECTION

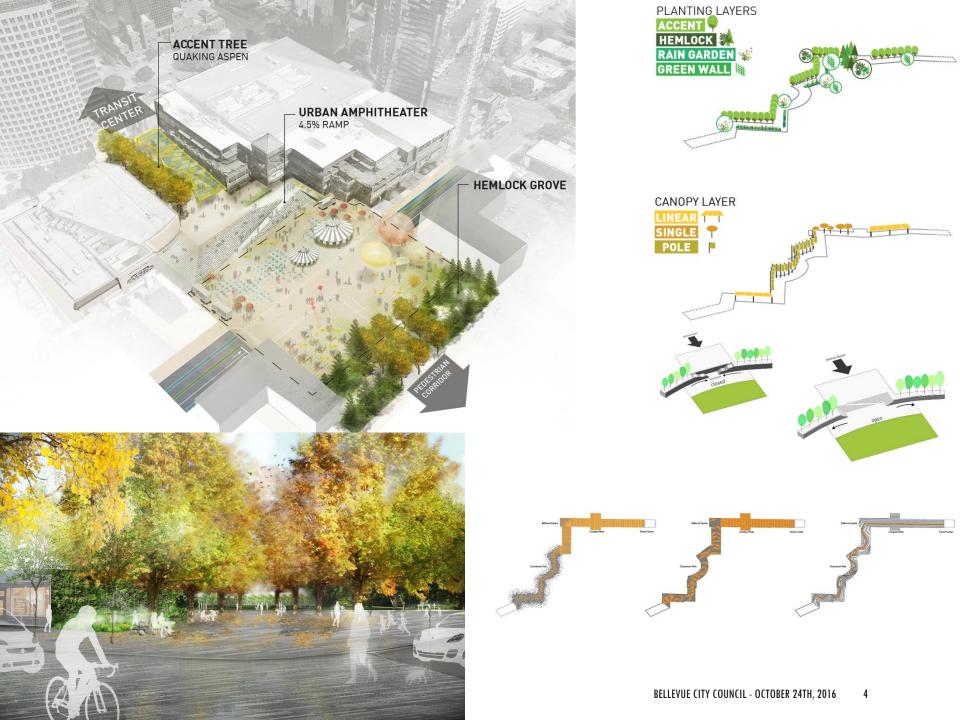
BELLEVUE CITY COUNCIL UPDATE

October 24th, 2016

### **OVERVIEW**

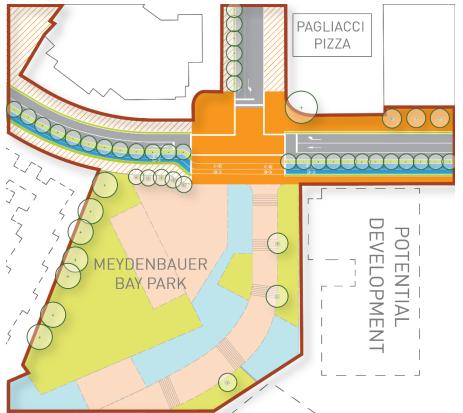
- Tonight's discussion will focus on:
  - Additional design concepts for Sequence One
    - Downtown Park
    - NE 6<sup>th</sup> and Bellevue Way
    - Transit Center
    - Improved pedestrian connectivity and range
  - I-405 Crossing Alternatives
  - Preliminary Feedback and Input No Action





# MEYDENBAUER BAY TO DOWNTOWN PARK

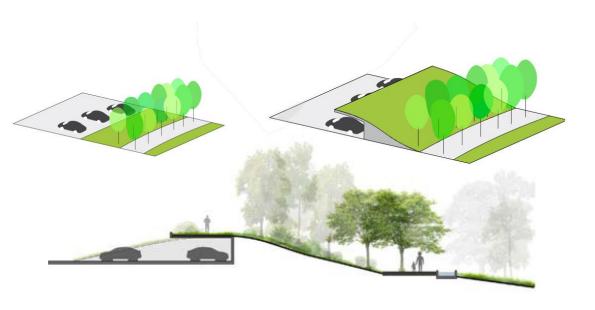




# MAIN ST. & 100<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE NE

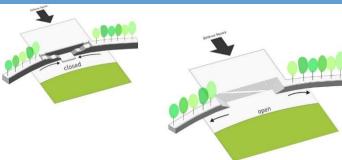
- •Raised intersection
  - Consistent design feature along the route
- •Fluid movement into future park
- Connection with bike lanes and transportation alternatives
- •Corner plaza





### DOWNTOWN PARK

- Conceal parking
- •Create additional park land without removing parking
- •Reinforce the green and natural element



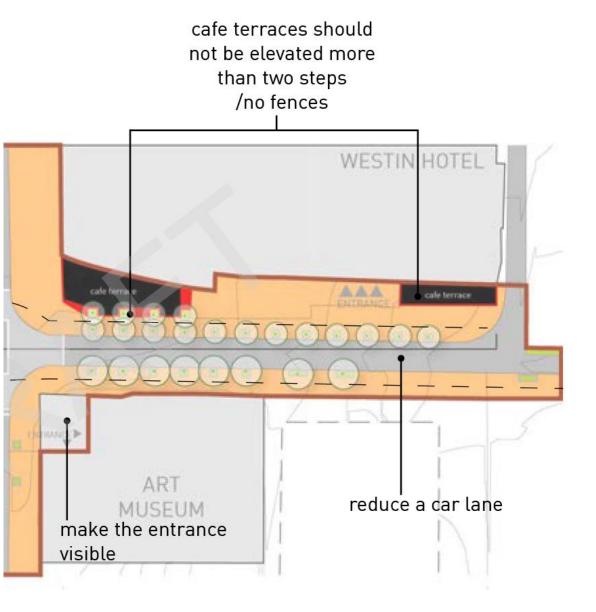




# PEDESTRIAN CORRIDOR TO BELLEVUE TRANSIT CENTER

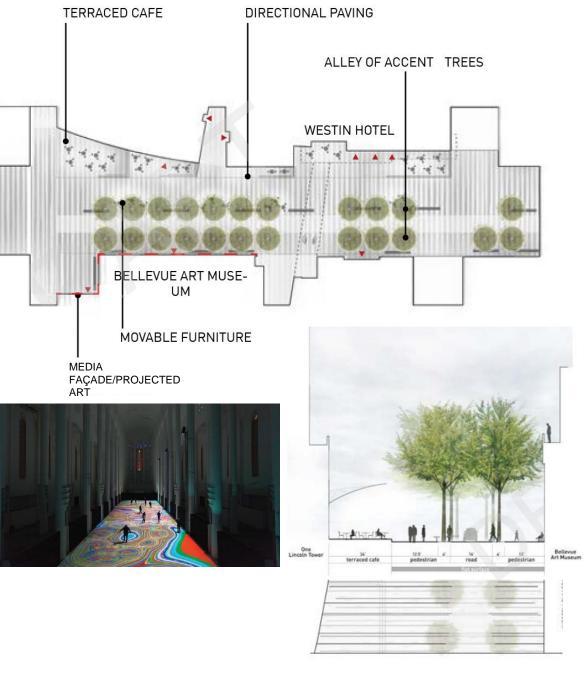






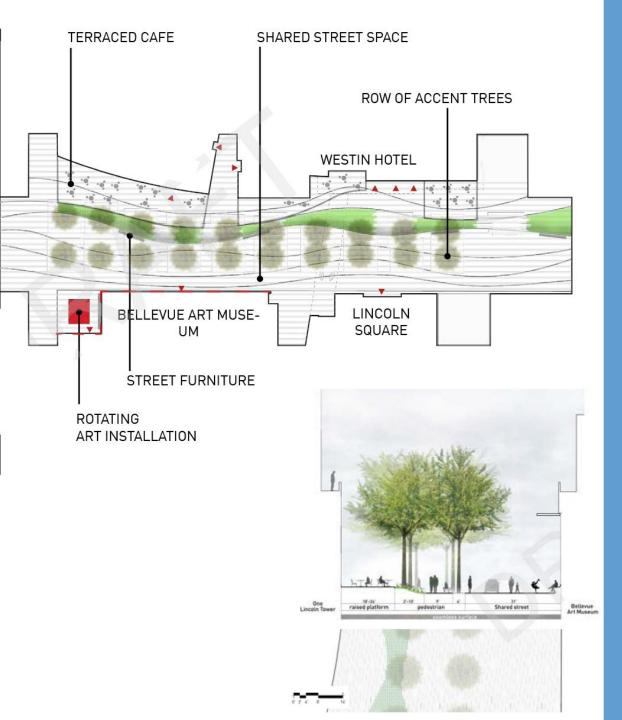
# BELLEVUE WAY AND NE 6<sup>TH</sup> STREET

- Street as Plaza
- •Less automobile oriented
- BAM plaza more prominent/programmed
- Less separation between terraces and sidewalk/plaza
- •Smoother transitions between grade changes



# BELLEVUE WAY AND NE 6<sup>TH</sup> STREET

- •Potential one lane of traffic
- Stepped terraces
- Raised street
- Continuous paving
  - Create direction
- Activate BAM corner plaza and blank walls



# BELLEVUE WAY AND NE 6<sup>TH</sup> STREET

- •Potential one lane of traffic
- Fluid movement
- •Soft transition between terraces and plaza
- Raised street
- Activate BAM corner plaza and blank walls



# BELLEVUE TRANSIT CENTER

- •Remove south lane (could be revised to north if needed)
- Simplify bus movements
- Create additional open space
- Separation from bus activity and public space
- Integrate busway into the public realm – not an island

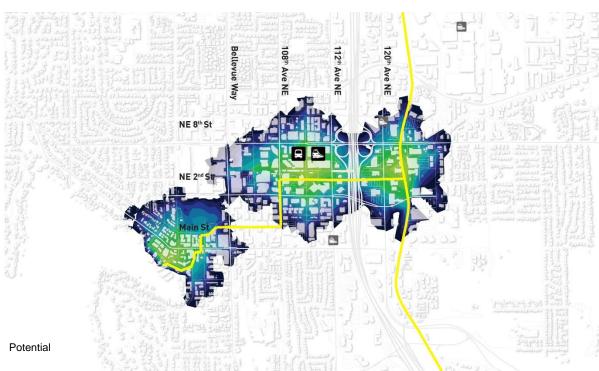




### CONNECTIVITY AND RANGE

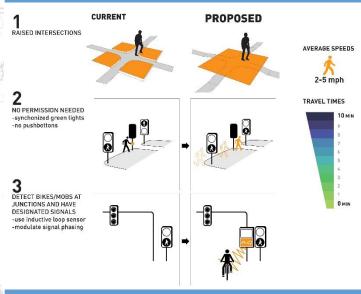
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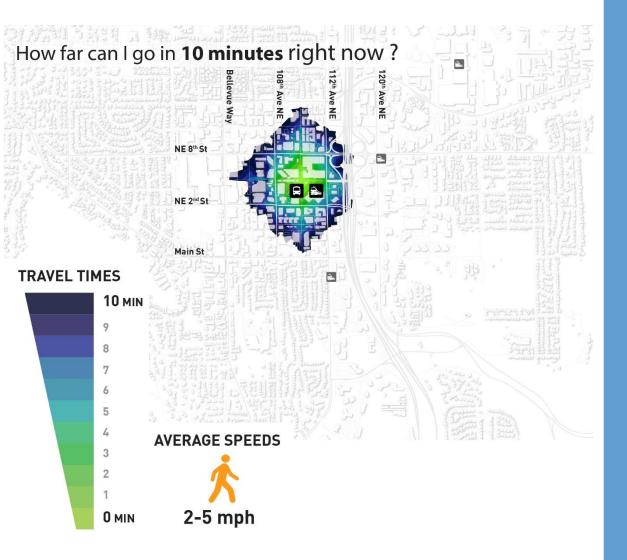
#### Existing



# IMPROVED PEDESTRIAN RANGE AND CONNECTIVITY

- •Route specific
- Signal timing
- No pushbuttons
- Raised Intersections





# IMPROVED PEDESTRIAN RANGE AND CONNECTIVITY

- •Increase the range of all pedestrians
- Navigate challenging topography
- •8-80 City
  - A city that can be navigated comfortably and safely for an 8 or an 80 year old





# IMPROVED PEDESTRIAN RANGE AND CONNECTIVITY

- Embrace technology as part of the route
- 'Last Mile'
- Regional Connectivity?
- Autonomous
- Application Controlled
- Self-regulating
  - Decreases speeds when passing another vehicle or cyclist
- •Run in streets or share bike lanes
- Phased implementation
  - Limited early investment
  - Pursue partners
  - Increase as popularity and support grows

### 1-405 CROSSING

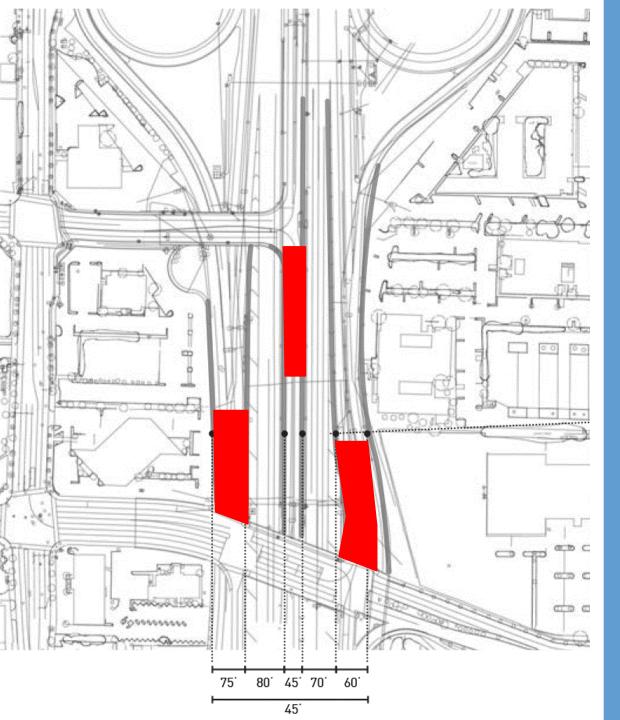






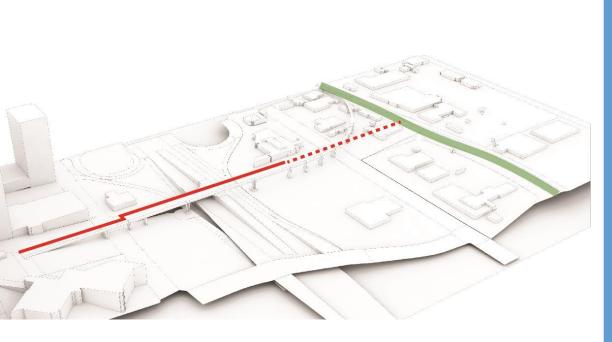
# I-405 CROSSING OBJECTIVES & GOALS

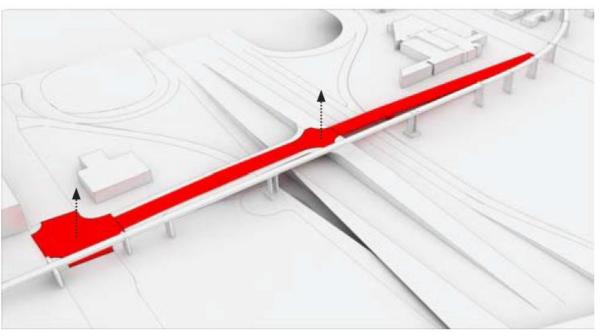
- •A place
- •A connection
  - Safe
  - Comfortable
  - Attractive
- Signature
- Consideration of Precedents



# I-405 CROSSING ANALYSIS

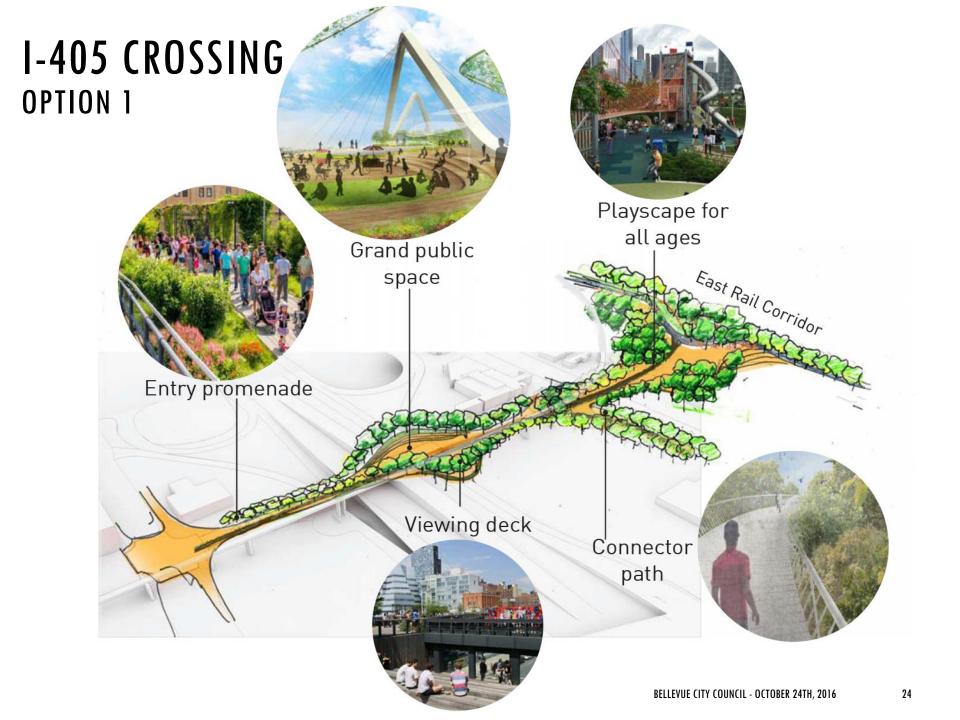
- Structural Span
  - Potential for span no greater than 80' in length
  - Results in minimized structural depth
    - 6' or potentially less
    - Less costly
    - Lower profile
- •Ramps
  - Build over or around?

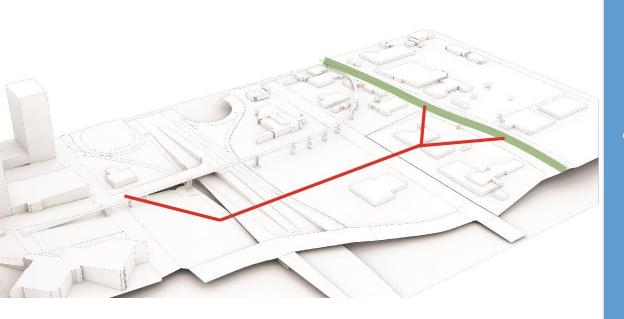




## I-405 CROSSING OPTION 1

- Advantages
  - Continued linear route
  - Clear visual connection between Downtown and Wilburton
  - Easy implementation
- Disadvantages
  - Exposure to interstate
  - Underwhelming
  - Land acquisition for public space
  - Design and experience could be diminished with 6<sup>th</sup> Street extension
  - 2023 is earliest timing
  - Cluttered intersection
    - Future NE 6<sup>th</sup> Expansion?
    - Light rail line
    - Route infrastructure







## I-405 CROSSING OPTION 2

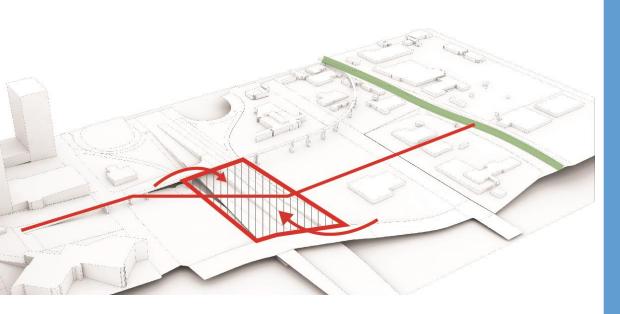
#### Advantages

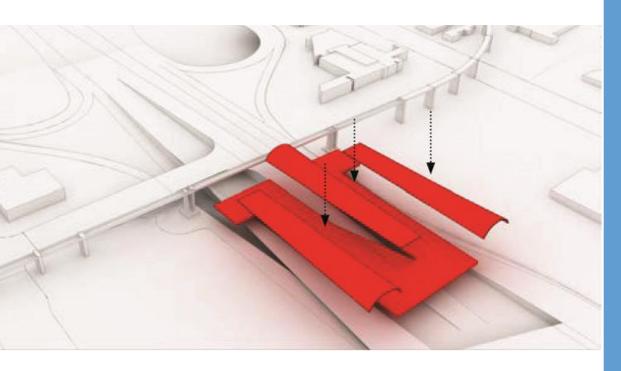
- Level crossing
- Integration with surrounding land uses
- Opportunity for signature structure

### Disadvantages

- Exposure to interstate
- Limited access
  - Only through private development
  - Less public?
- Where would the signature structure be visible from?
- Limited visibility from Downtown
- Dependent on private development
  - Timing
  - Access

I-405 CROSSING OPTION 2 VIEWING DIRECT BULDING DECK CONNECTION INTERSECTION RING **EXPRESS** PASSAGE





### I-405 CROSSING OPTION 3

### Advantages

- New park without using existing land
- Less dependent on land use and transportation projects
- Fully Public
- Multiple access points
  - NE 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>
  - Private Development

#### Disadvantages

- Expensive
- Policies and requirements for DOT
- Significant infrastructure undertaking
- Limited visibility from Downtown





### COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS



Criteria	Option 1 NE 6 <sup>th</sup> Extension	Option 2 Bridge	Option 3 Lid
Signature Design			
Signature Place			
Cost (independent of park space needs)			
Constructability			
Timing			
Land Use Interdependence			
Transportation Interdependence			
User Experience			

### **NEXT STEPS**

- Develop connections to the Eastside Rail Corridor
- Online Open House
- City Hall Open House
  - Introduction of VR
- Continued Stakeholder Engagement
- Discussions with WSDOT, FDOT
- Refine alternatives based on feedback/input
- Return with information regarding the art and cultural element

### FEEDBACK AND INPUT

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