



TLC FY17: The New Ave Bikeway

City of Takoma Park

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Overview

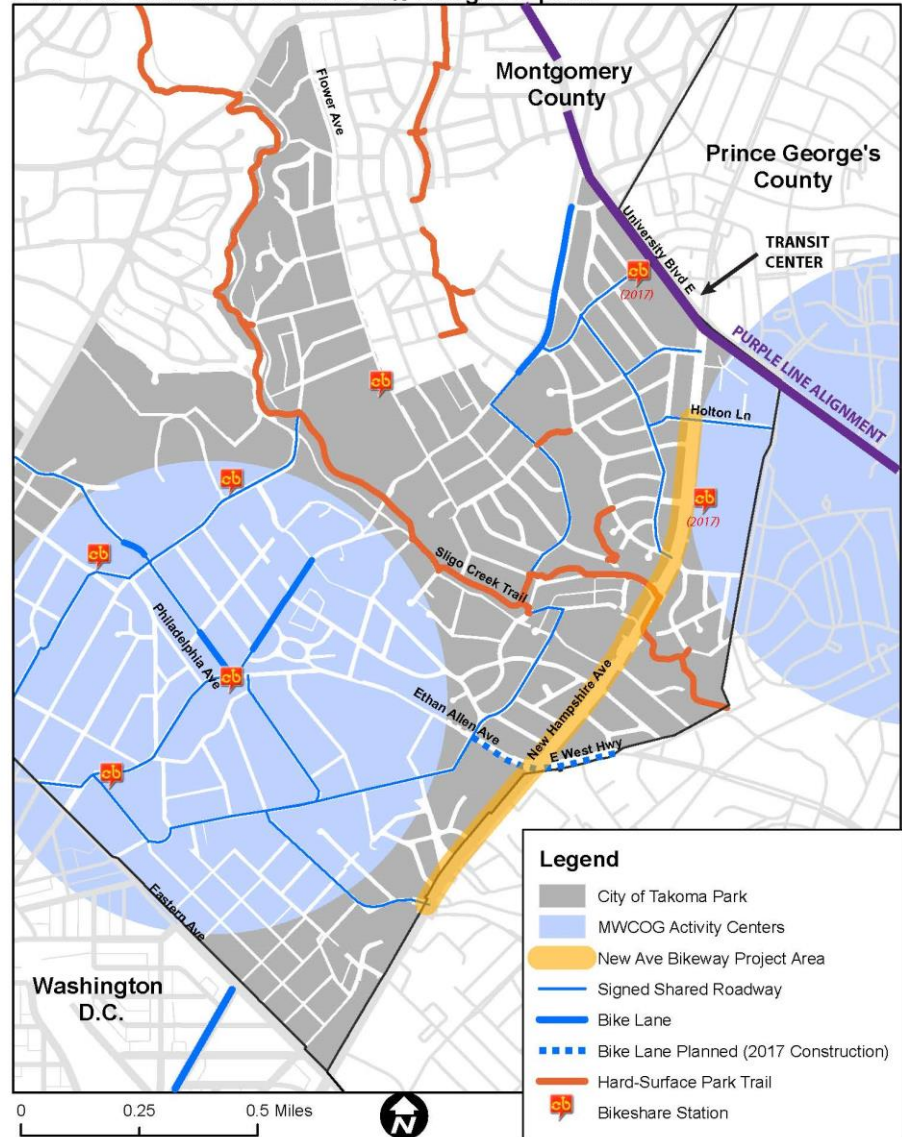
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Project Location and Context

- **Aim of project to creatively redesign existing service lane into bi-directional separated bikeway**
- **Project will facilitate bicycle connectivity between the upcoming Purple Line station, Takoma/Langley Transit Center, two new Capital Bikeshare Stations (2017), and the Sligo Creek Trail**
- **Builds on the 2012 Takoma/Langley Crossroads Sector Plan which outlines a vision for a multi-way boulevard on New Hampshire Avenue**
- **Outcome of TLC Grant is 30% Preliminary Engineering Drawings which the City can use to apply for further funding.**

Project Area

New Ave Bikeway - City of Takoma Park
FY17 TLC Technical Assistance 30% Design Proposal



Current Conditions

- Service lane on Southbound side of New Hampshire Avenue
- Three lane MD State Highway
- Service lane largely used for parking, some will be retained



Project Execution and Outcome

- City selects RK&K from a field of six proposals, kick-off meeting held November 2016
- Determined during kick-off meeting that bikeway should be divided into two geographic sections
- FY17 TLC Grant to focus on Section A of Bikeway from Auburn Avenue to Holton Lane
- Agency Stakeholder meetings held with MD-SHA, M-NPPPC, MCDOT, Montgomery County Planning, Utilities (WSSC, Pepco) at 15% and 30% design phases
- Public Meeting and Council Presentation of 30% Design documents in Spring 2017
- Project concluded in June 2017

Project Deliverables

- Project deliverables from initial TLC Grant included:
 - 15% Design Roll Out Plans
 - Full Option Matrix for Each Block on Bikeway
 - 30% Design Roll Out Plans
 - 30% Design Estimated Construction Costs
 - Council Presentation of 30% Designs

Lessons Learned

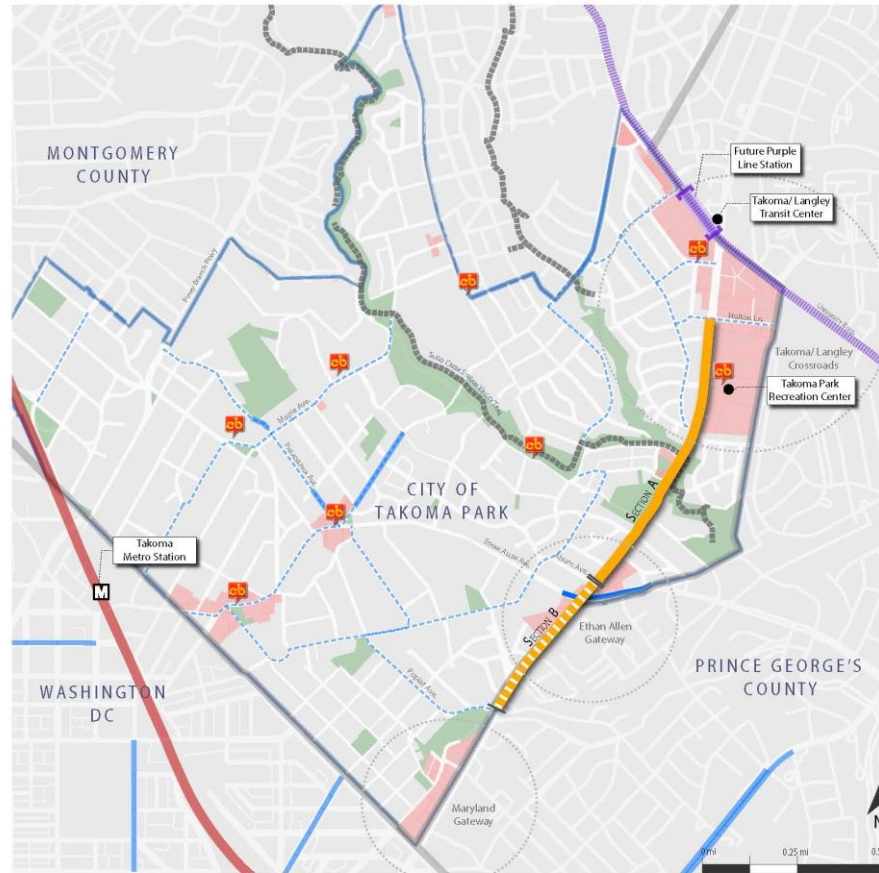
- Project Scope in TLC Grant proposal was too large, was necessary to break project into smaller sections to be feasible
- Necessity of coordinating all agency stakeholders to develop consensus
- Increased public outreach beneficial moving forward
- At least one agency stakeholder meeting should be on-site
- Different design conditions are necessary for different portions of the project

Project Accomplishments Since TLC

- City has received two additional [MD Bikeways Grants](#) to fund varying portions of the New Ave Bikeway
- FY18 grant awarded funding to develop 60% Design for Section A
- FY20 grant awarded funding to develop 60% Design for Section B of the Bikeway

Revised Project Area Map

NEW HAMPSHIRE AVENUE BIKEWAY - CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MD
 FY20 Maryland Bikeways Program Proposal



NEW HAMPSHIRE AVENUE BIKEWAY

- Section A:**
- Holton Ln. to Auburn Ave.
 - Advance from 60% to Final Designs
 - Cost: \$510,000

- Section B:**
- Auburn Ave. to Poplar Ave.
 - 30% designs
 - Cost: \$90,000

TRANSPORTATION NETWORK

- Metro Red Line
- Purple Line (Planned Alignment)
- Metro Station
- Hard Surface Park Trail
- Signed Shared Roadway
- On-Street Bike Lane
- Bikeshare Station

LAND-USE AND BOUNDARIES

- City of Takoma Park
- Commercial Land Use
- Parks and Open Space
- County Line

FY18 MD Bikeways Grant

- Received funding in November 2017 to continue design work on New Ave Bikeway
- FY18 Grant funds semi-final designs (60%) for Section A of the Bikeway from Auburn Avenue to Holton Lane
- Same project area as TLC Grant
- City requested semi-final designs for Section A as well as preliminary designs for the remainder of the bikeway, but received partial funding
- Total project cost is \$300,000. City awarded \$240,000 from Bikeways Grant and contributes 20% match
- Continuing work with RK&K on project

FY20 MD Bikeways Grant

- In September 2019, the City was awarded additional funding from MD-Bikeways to develop 60% Designs for Section B of the Bikeway from Auburn Avenue to Poplar Avenue
- City requested final designs for Section A and 30% for Section B, but received partial funding.
- Total project cost is \$293,750. City awarded \$235,000 from Bikeways Grant and will contribute 20% match of \$58,750

Current Status of Grants

- Received extension for FY18 Grant in October 2019 to finalize designs on the M-NCPPC owned portion of the bikeway
- Design work and agency stakeholder meetings are on-going
- 60% Design for Section A will be completed in June 2020
- Grant Agreement for FY20 was executed in December 2019. Work to begin January 2020.
- At the culmination of these grants, 60% design work will be completed for the length of the Bikeway.

Next Steps

- FY18 and FY20 Grants are in progress
- Community outreach will begin in Winter/Spring 2020
- Need to fund final designs for both Section A and Section B
- Funding for construction, potentially through TAP Funding and using MD Bikeways as match.

Questions?

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