

#### K Street Transitway RPTS Presentation





## Agenda

- K Street History
- Project Overview & Timeline
- Transit Benefits
- Design Feedback
  - Bikes
  - Loading

## **Project History**

- 2005 Transitway Design
- 2009 Environmental Assessment & FONSI
- 2010 30% Transitway Design Developed
  - Done in conjunction with USDOT TIGER application (DDOT didn't get \$)
- 2013 Alternatives Analysis (Union Station to Georgetown Streetcar)
  - Includes K Street Transitway

#### • 2014-2018 USGT EA

- Conceptual design of Transitway updated
- EA drafted but never completed
- 2019 FY2020 budget includes local capital dollars for K Street Transitway
  - No NEPA (no federal funding)
  - Protected bike lanes included
  - Will not preclude streetcar retrofit

#### **Implementation Timeline**

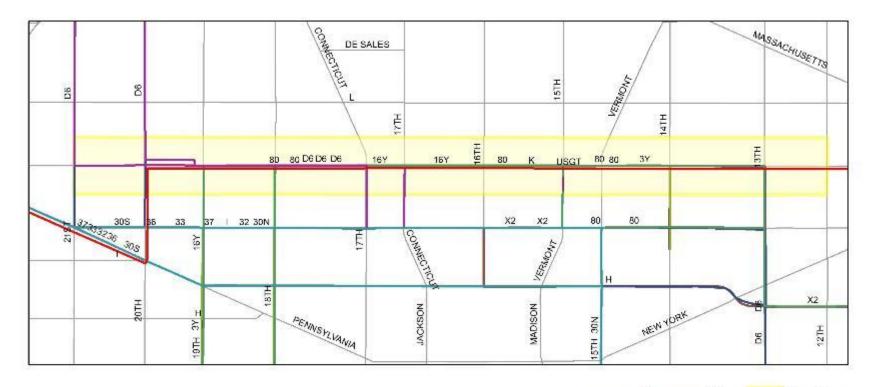


### What is the Transitway?



- Major redesign of K St NW
- Dedicated bus lanes and bike lanes (separated by curbs)
- Removal of existing service lanes
- Streetscape, landscaping, stormwater, bike and pedestrian improvements

#### **Transitway Routes**



 3Y
 36
 Transitway

 16Y
 37

 30N
 80

 30S
 D6

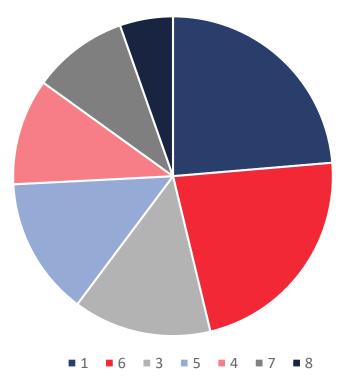
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# Mobility and Equity Benefits

- Improving bus speeds and reliability connects people from all eight wards to jobs and activities in downtown DC.
- Of the 20,000 *current* passengers traveling E/W downtown:
  - o 60% represent minorities
  - 31% are low income
  - 6% are Limited English
     Proficiency

Origin of Bus Passengers (Out of Ward 2)



## Major benefits for bus passengers

- Now:
  - 20,000 bus passengers
  - 3-5 mph average speeds
  - 40% of all people moving E/W downtown are on buses

#### • Future:

- 280,000+ people
   stand to benefit from
   greater bus reliability
   and speed
- Bus speeds 30-50%
   faster
- Greater incentive for mode shift

## Plus lots of other benefits!



#### Bike Lanes [SEE HANDOUT]





# Loading



- Loading tradeoffs: viewshed, traffic operations, bike conflicts
- Greater right-of-way west of Farragut Square
- Policy and operational changes to accommodate loading off of K St.

## Please participate!

- Feedback on design options
- Bus passenger Open House (Nov. 14, 2019)
- Build support for transit infrastructure

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