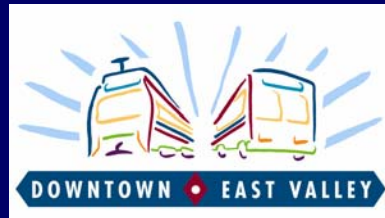


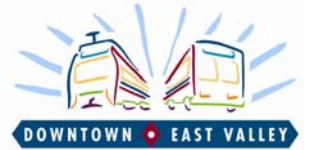
Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority

Downtown East Valley Transit Improvement Plan *Santa Clara/Alum Rock Corridor*



**Community Meeting:
Revised Conceptual Design Plans**

September 24, 2003

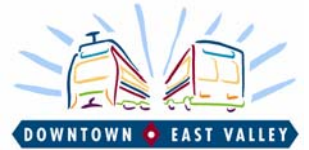


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 **Project**

 **Steps in the Process**

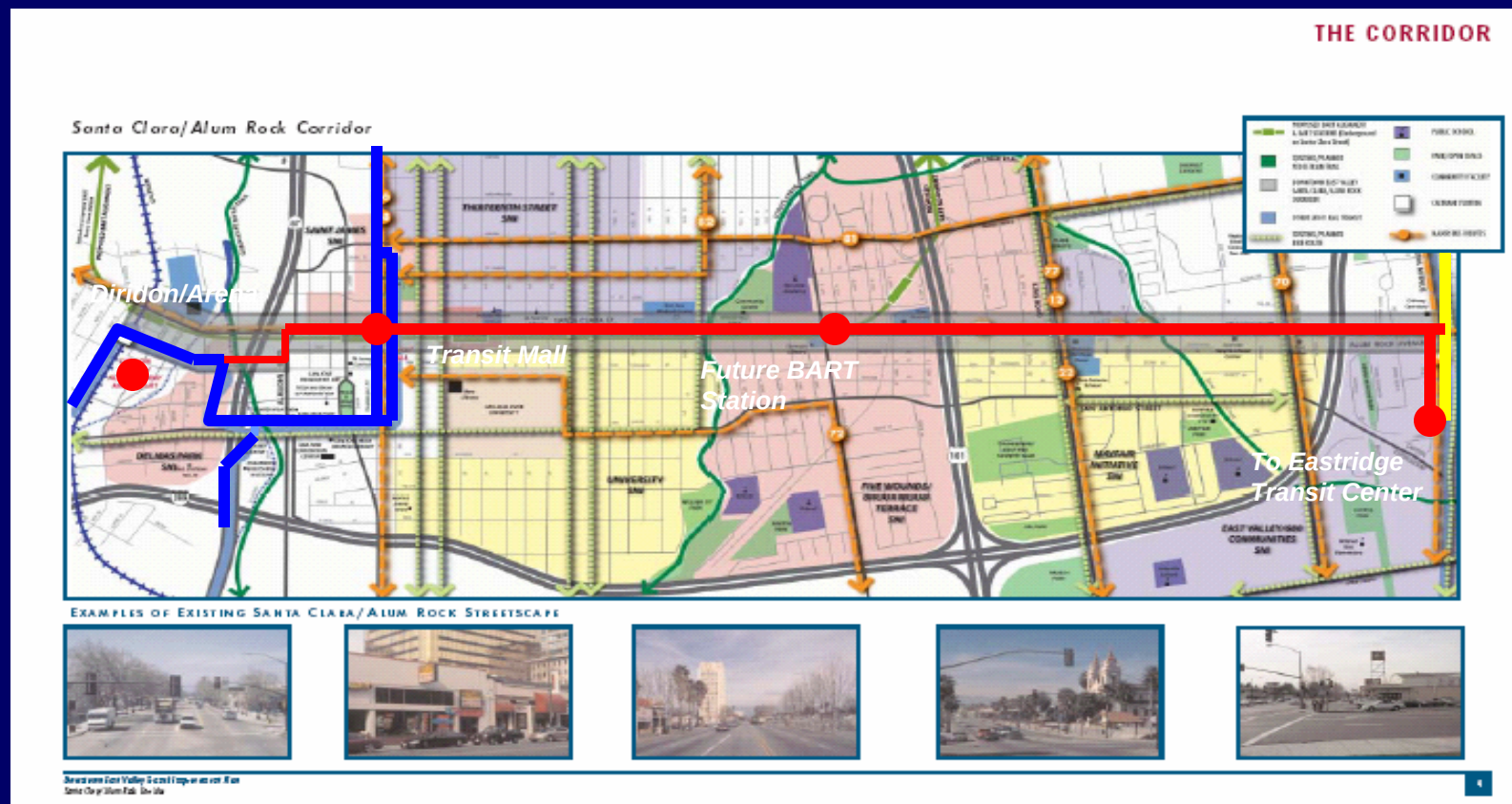
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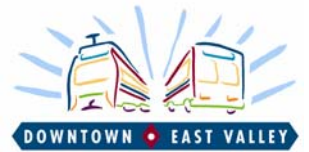
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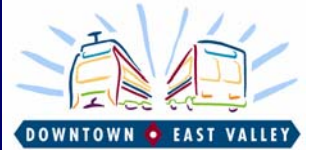
Characteristics

Traffic

- Important east/west transportation link between Downtown and the East Valley
- Major freeway connections (SR 87, US 101, I-680)
- Projected future growth elevates the importance of this transportation corridor as a gateway to Downtown



Characteristics *Corridor*



- Many small businesses/
community activity
- Streetscape (sidewalks,
landscaping) important
- Businesses rely on the on-street
parking and loading areas
- Street width and right-of-way
very constrained





Future Projections

Current Trends Continue in the Future

- Major east/west travel corridor
- Gateway into Downtown
- Vehicle traffic projected to increase
- High level of transit use (19,000 boardings/day)



Characteristics

Transit

- Highest transit ridership in the County (12,000 boardings/day)

Daily Boardings per stop:

VTA System: 32

SC/AR Corridor: 237



Carries 8% of all VTA's riders on 0.3% of the system

- Demand for “circulator” and “line haul” trips throughout day

Existing Bus Stops

Alum Rock & McCreery



Roosevelt Park



"Sign only" on Alum Rock

Project Goals

- **Improve and increase transit service**
- **Connect with existing and future transit lines**
- **Help revitalize the corridor**
- **Minimize disruption to corridor during construction and operation**

VTA Board Decision May 1, 2003

Study two transit alternatives in the Santa Clara/Alum Rock Corridor EIS/EIR



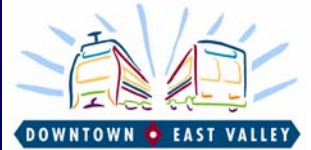
***Enhanced Bus Service
Alternative***



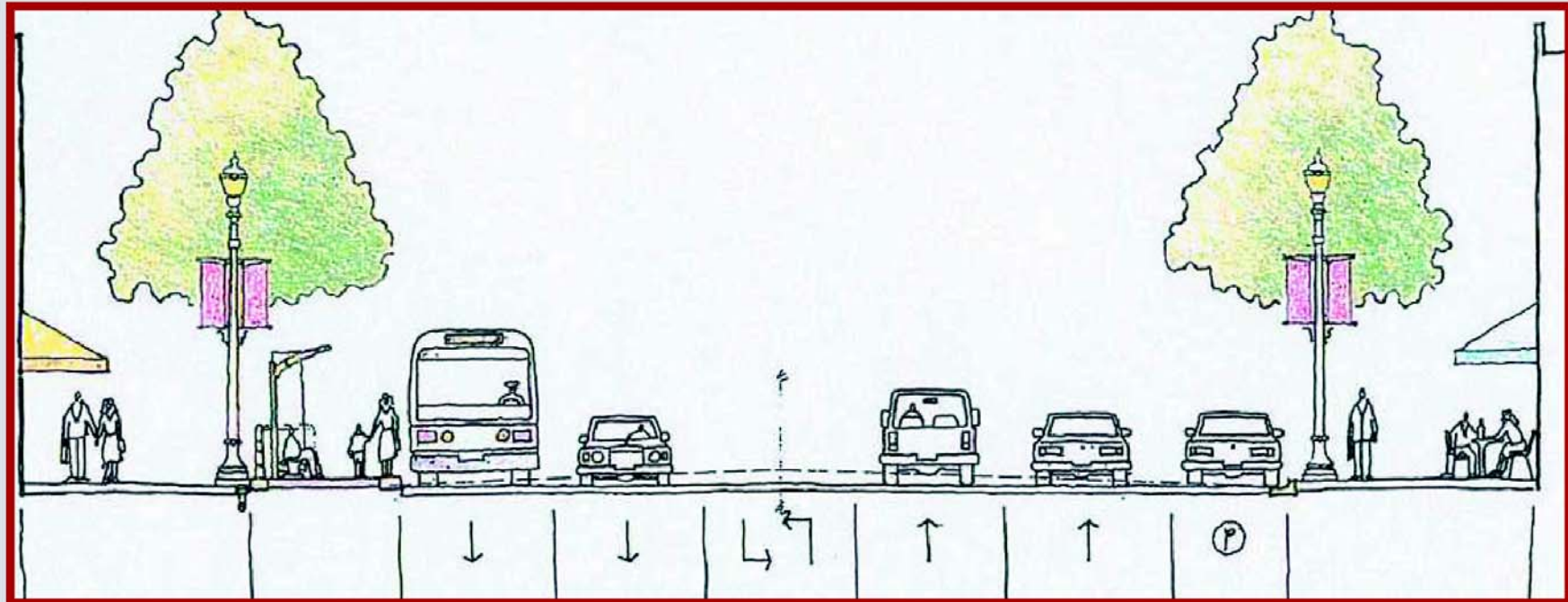
***Single Car Light Rail
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(with potential modifications
to the vehicle)***



Street Design for Enhanced Bus



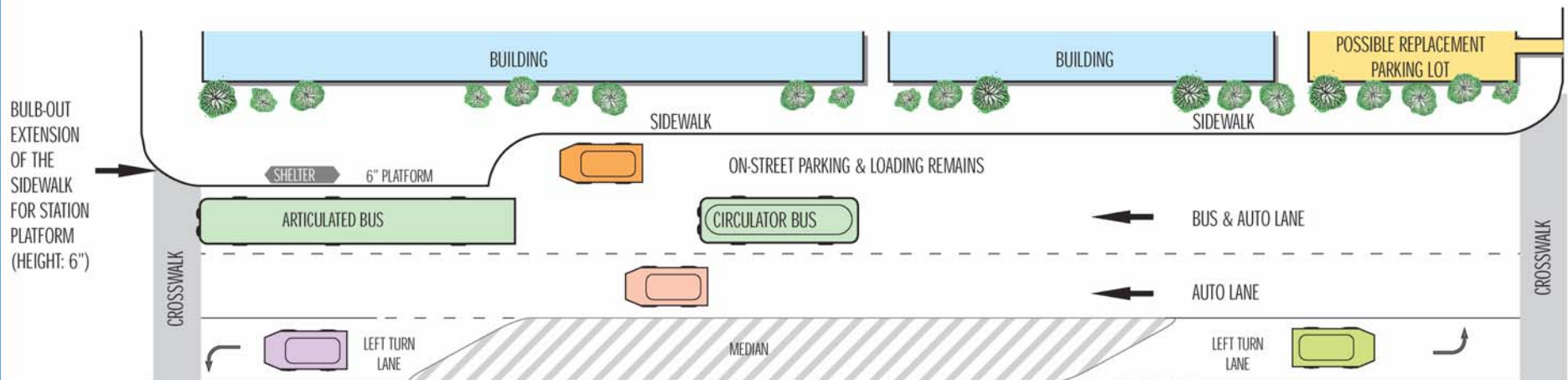
Santa Clara Street/Alum Rock Avenue: Buses and Autos Share Outside Traffic Lanes



Enhanced Bus Alternative



Enhanced Bus Service Alternative



Example: Before Bus Bulb-out



Example: After Bus Bulb-out



Station Characteristics

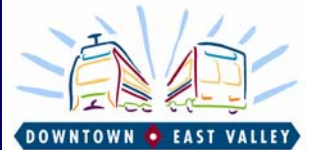


- Distinct Shelter
- Ticket Vending Machines
- Special Lighting
- Landscaping

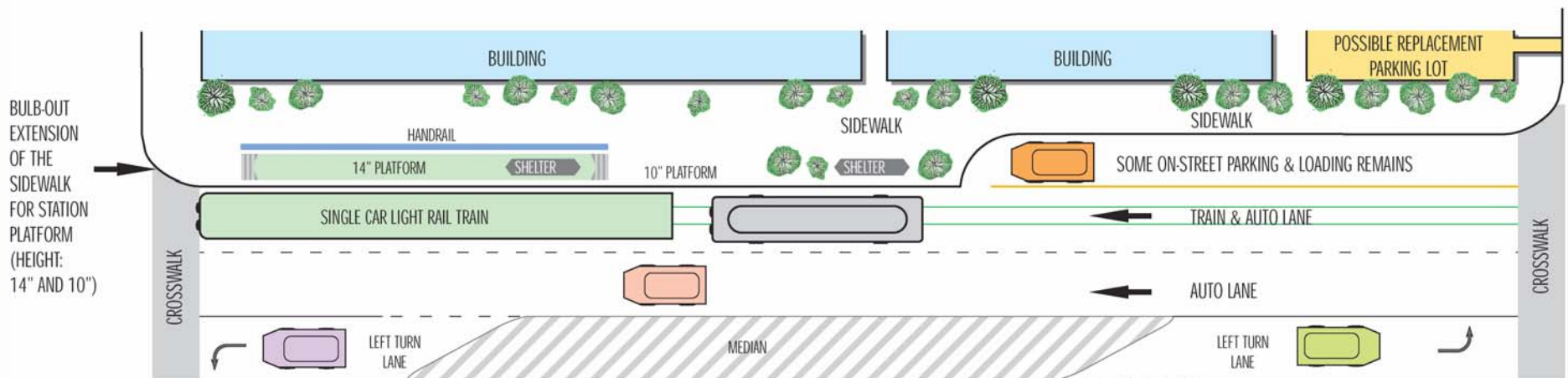
Enhanced Bus Stop



Single Car Light Rail *Alternative*

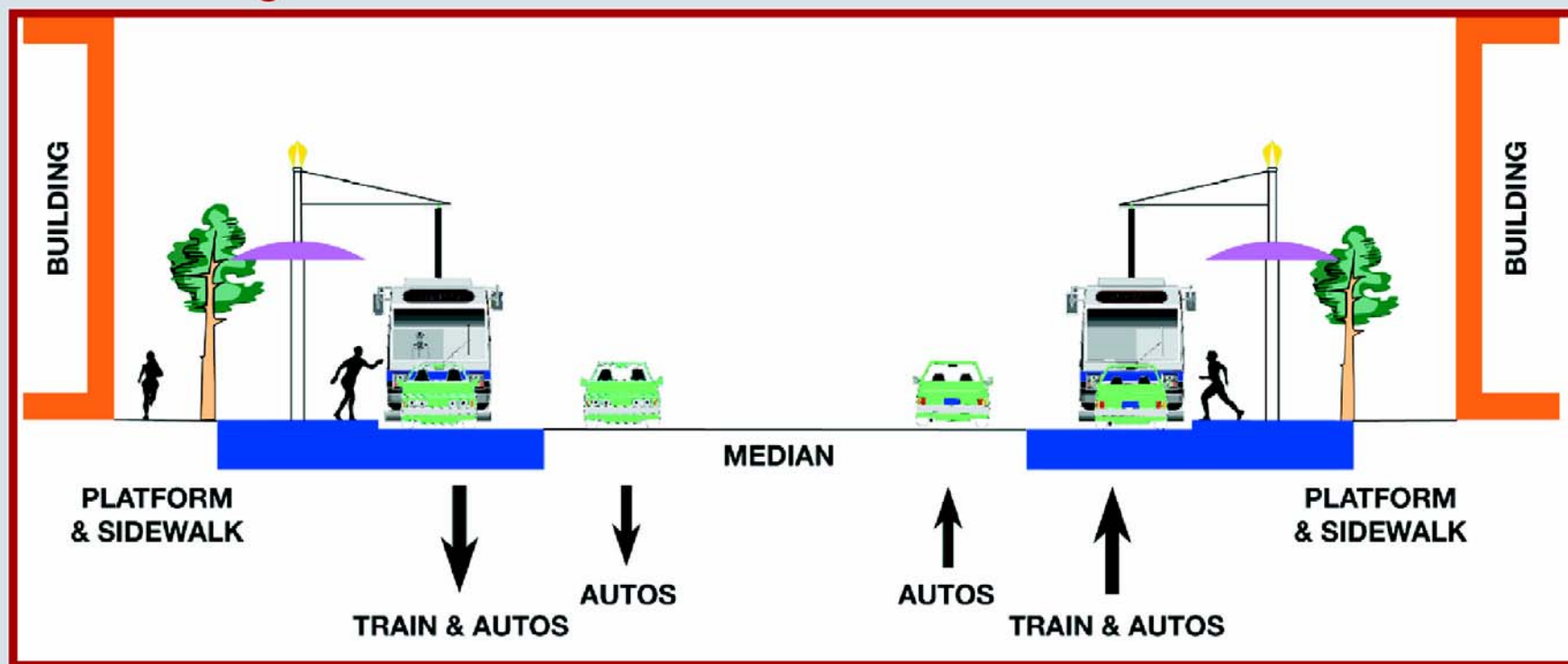


Single Car Light Rail Alternative



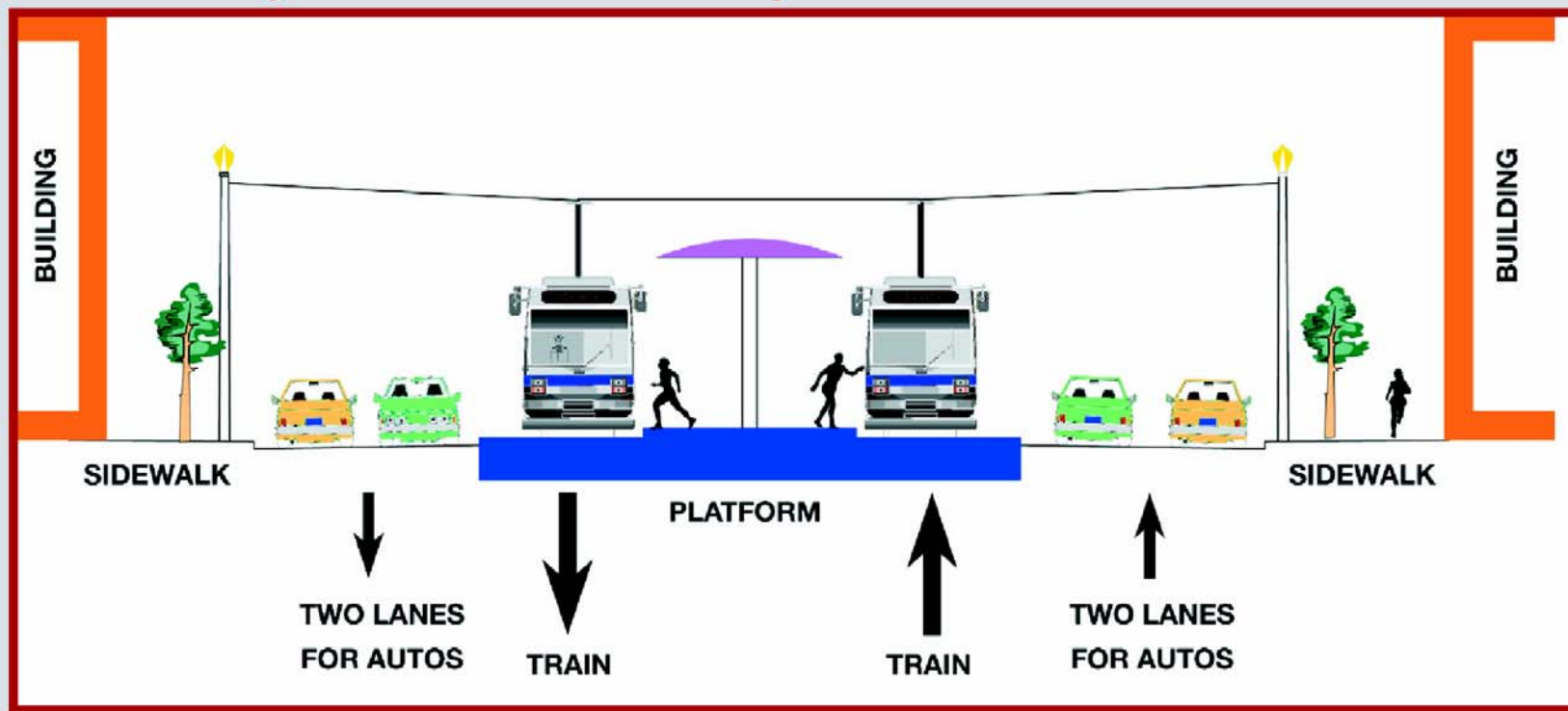
Street Design for Light Rail *West of King Road*

West of King Road: Rail and Autos Share Outside Traffic Lanes

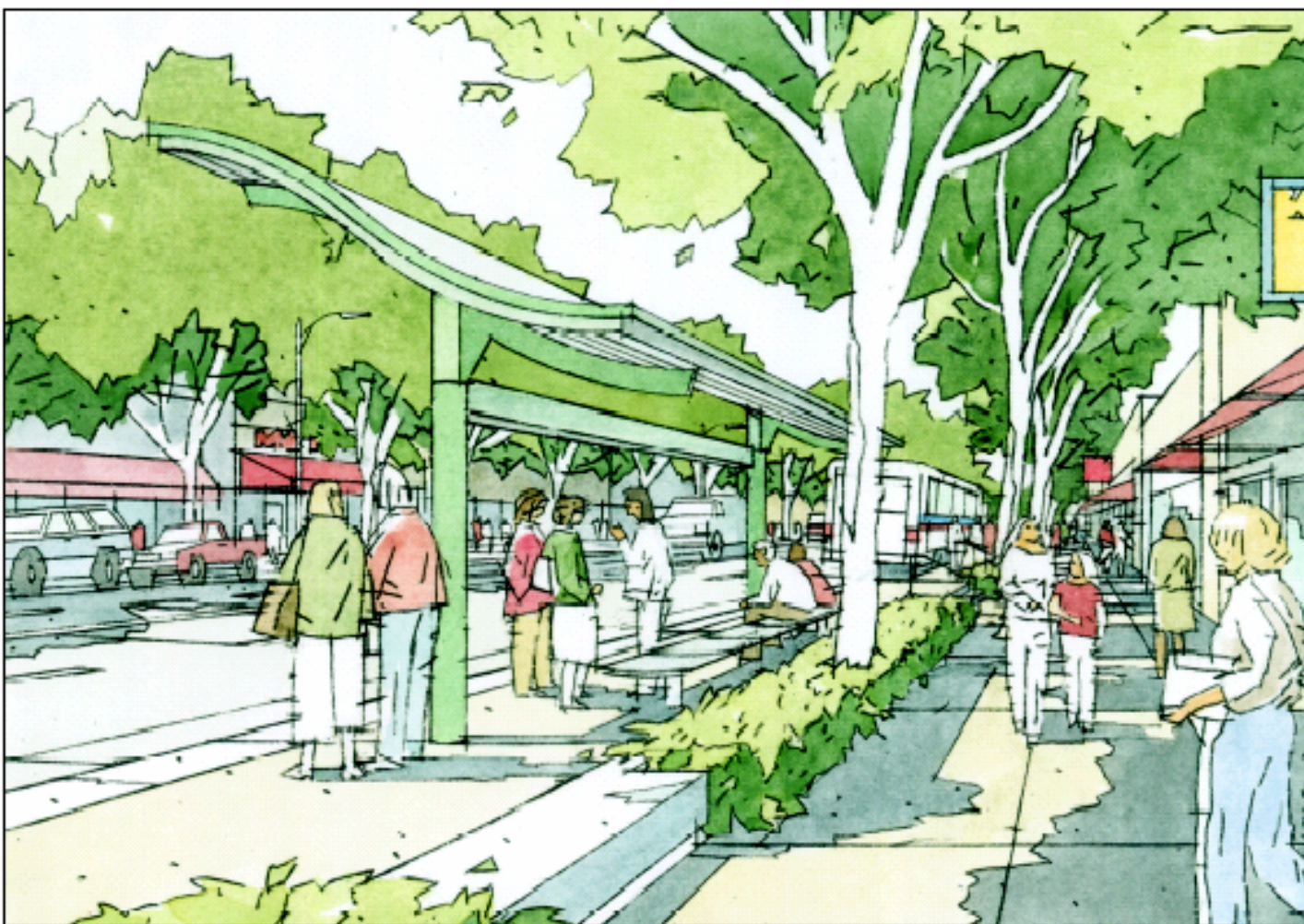


Street Design for Light Rail *East of King Road*

East of King Road: Rail Exclusively in Center Median

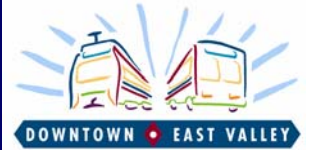


Light Rail Stop



Outreach to the Community

“Work out the Details”



Businesses

E. Santa Clara Business Assoc.

San Jose Downtown Assoc.

Alum Rock Businesses

Strong Neighborhood Initiative (SNI)

Neighborhood Action Committees

Stakeholders

Public Workshop and Open House



Project Development Milestones

Major Investment Study (MIS)



PROJECT DESCRIPTION



*Environmental Document
Environmental Impact Statement/
Environmental Impact Report
Or (EIS/EIR)*



Design & Construction

Outreach to the Community



THE CORRIDOR

Santa Clara/Alum Rock Corridor



Downtown East Valley Santa Clara/Alum Rock Community Outreach Strategy:

May - September 2003

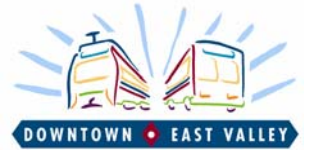
- - Business Associations and Stakeholders
- - Strong Neighborhoods Initiative Neighborhood Advisory Committees (NAC) and Members
- - Public Workshop and Open House Locations
- - Outreach Participants



Next Steps

Fall 2003

Environmental Studies Proceed



Next Steps

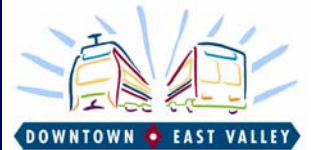
Summer 2004 – *Draft EIS/EIR*
Environmental Impacts & Mitigation
***(e.g., Traffic, Air Quality, Noise, Right-of-Way,
Construction Impacts, Updated Costs/Ridership)***

Fall 2004 – *Public Hearing*

Winter 2004 – *Final EIS/EIR*

Spring 2005 – *PAB Recommendation*

Spring 2005 – *VTA Board Decision*
(Enhanced Bus or LRT)



When?

Depends on Funding

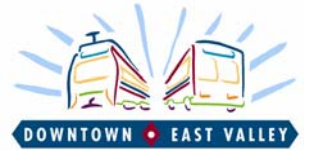
- Conceptual Engineering & Environmental phases are funded
- Project included in 2000 Measure A
 $\frac{1}{2}\phi$ Sales Tax (*Tax Begins in 2006*)
- VTA Board will prioritize projects
VTA - Valley Transportation Plan (VTP) 2030
MTC - Transportation 2030

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 **Project**

 **Steps in the Process**

 **Revised Design Plans**



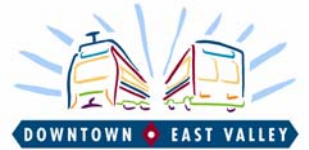
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Revised Design Plans

1) Highlights of the Alternatives

2) Review the Revised Plans

One-on-One with Staff





DOWNTOWN



EAST VALLEY

