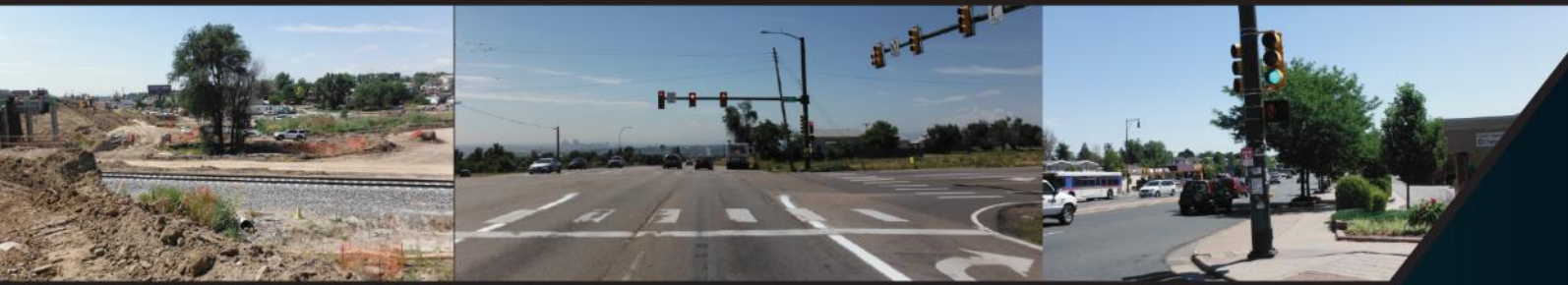# MAKING CONNECTIONS/
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# Community Workshop Agenda

- *Introductions & Project Overview*                    *10 min*

- *Meeting Intent*                                                    *15 min*

  - *Project Status Update*

  - *Community Workshop*

- *Breakout Groups*                                            *40 min*

- *Regroup/Summary*                                          *40 min*

  - *Public Polling*

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- **Adams County Departments**
  - Long Range Strategic Planning
  - Parks & Open Space
  - Emergency Management
  - Transportation Administration
  - Transportation Engineering
  - Finance
  - Budget
  - Community & Economic Dev.
  - Economic Development
  - Business Solutions Group (GIS)
  - Public Involvement Office
  - County Managers Office
- **Tri-County Health Department**
- **Adams County Housing Authority**

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# Project Goals
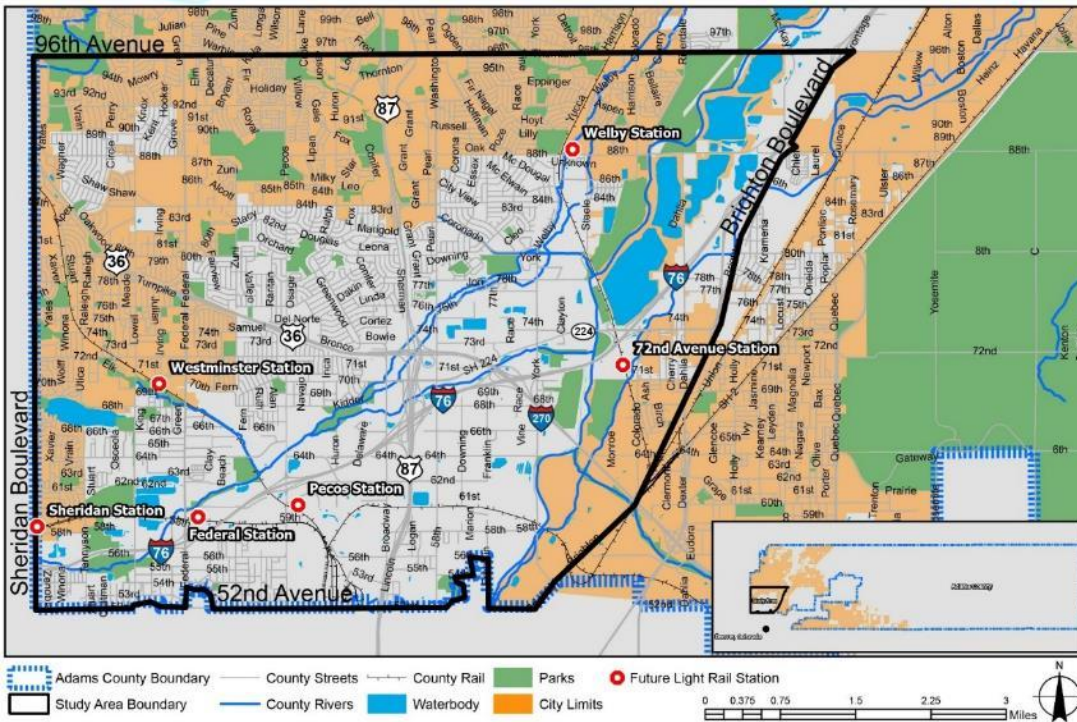


- Focus on **unincorporated Adams County** within the Planning Area of **52$^{nd}$, 96$^{th}$, Sheridan, and Brighton**.

- Utilize information and ideas from **previous plans**.

- **Identify and prioritize strategic** and equitable **investments** that focus on economic return.

- **Identify** Top 40 Priority Projects and Top 10 Priority **Projects**

- **Identify Implementation Strategies**
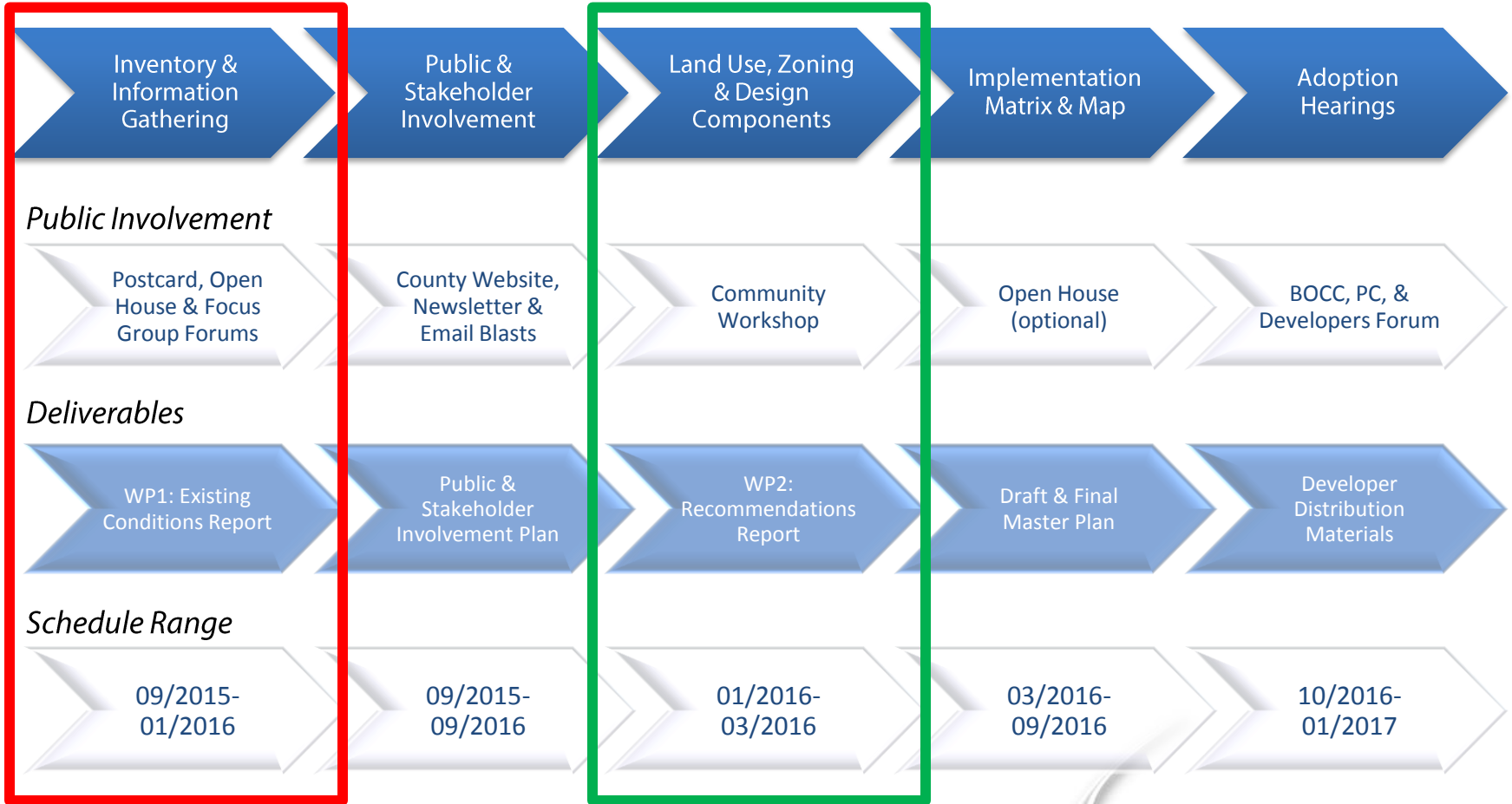
# Meeting Intent

## Project Status Update

# Work Plan & Schedule

## Tasks/Phases

| Inventory & Information Gathering | Public & Stakeholder Involvement | Land Use, Zoning & Design Components | Implementation Matrix & Map | Adoption Hearings |
|---|---|---|---|---|

### Public Involvement

| Postcard, Open House & Focus Group Forums | County Website, Newsletter & Email Blasts | Community Workshop | Open House (optional) | BOCC, PC, & Developers Forum |
|---|---|---|---|---|

### Deliverables

| WP1: Existing Conditions Report | Public & Stakeholder Involvement Plan | WP2: Recommendations Report | Draft & Final Master Plan | Developer Distribution Materials |
|---|---|---|---|---|

### Schedule Range

| 09/2015-01/2016 | 09/2015-09/2016 | 01/2016-03/2016 | 03/2016-09/2016 | 10/2016-01/2017 |
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# Task 1 Overview

- *Information and data collection.*
- *Public Open House*
  - *Wednesday, 11/18/2015, 6:00-8:00pm, Skyview Academy High School*
  - *Postcards mailed to all property owners within study area*
  - *Approximately 40 people in attendance*
  - *2 Spanish translators on hand.*
- *Focus Group Forum*
  - *Wednesday, 11/18/2015, 2:00-4:00pm, Adams County Government Center*
  - *Email Invitations were sent in early November*
  - *Approximately 60 people in attendance*
  - *2 Spanish translators on hand*
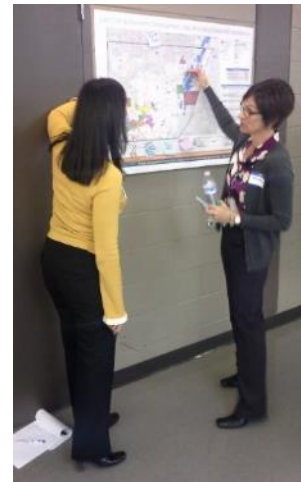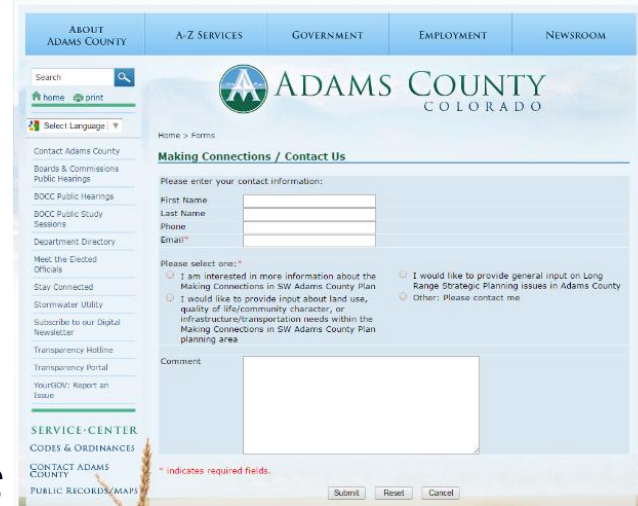
# Public Involvement: Some of what we heard…

- *Public Engagement. Allow for <u>online engagement</u>. Collaborate with non-profits on <u>Spanish outreach strategies.</u>*

- *Transportation <u>options</u> are more important than capacity, but signal upgrades and timing are important on major roads. Some streets remain "unfinished" (narrow width, no shoulder, ditch present). Lack of sidewalks.*

- *Health should be an <u>integrated</u> topic with transportation, land use and development.*

- *Environment. Prioritize converting <u>brownfields</u> to development rather than negatively impacting existing neighborhoods.*

- *Parks and Trails <u>programming and safety</u> at all hours is important. Separate <u>Clear Creek</u> planning effort starting soon.*

- *Drainage needs are <u>well documented</u> although some concerns about how quickly <u>repairs and maintenance</u> can be executed.*

- *Utilities. Many are operated by <u>outside organizations</u> which poses a challenge with making areas development-ready.*

- *Neighborhoods and Housing. How can we improve communities and neighborhoods but also keep it <u>affordable</u>? The words <u>"redevelopment" and "density" are scary.</u>*

# Public Involvement Changes



- *Online engagement option*
  - **www.adcogov.org/makingconnections**
- *52K Postcards sent to all renters and owners*
- *37 Posters at key destinations*
  - schools, government buildings, non-profits, mobile home parks, religious institutions, and libraries
- *Bilingual Newspaper Advertisements and Press Releases*
  - Westminster Window, Northglenn Thornton Sentinel, Commerce City Sentinel
- *Telemundo and Univision Community Calendars*
- *KBNO Radio Spots*
- *Simultaneous translation head pieces at meeting*

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# Existing Conditions Report

- *Introduction*

- *Land Use & Development*
  - *includes housing and neighborhoods*

- *Transportation*
  - *includes vehicle, pedestrian, bicycle, transit*

- *Infrastructure & Utilities*
  - *includes water, sewer, stormwater, power, fiber*

- *Environment, Health, Parks & Trails*
  - *includes brownfields, Tier II, access to healthy foods, access to healthy living*

- *Literature Review*
  - *includes previous plans' recommendations*

The Existing Conditions Report will be available for public viewing on the project website in late February.
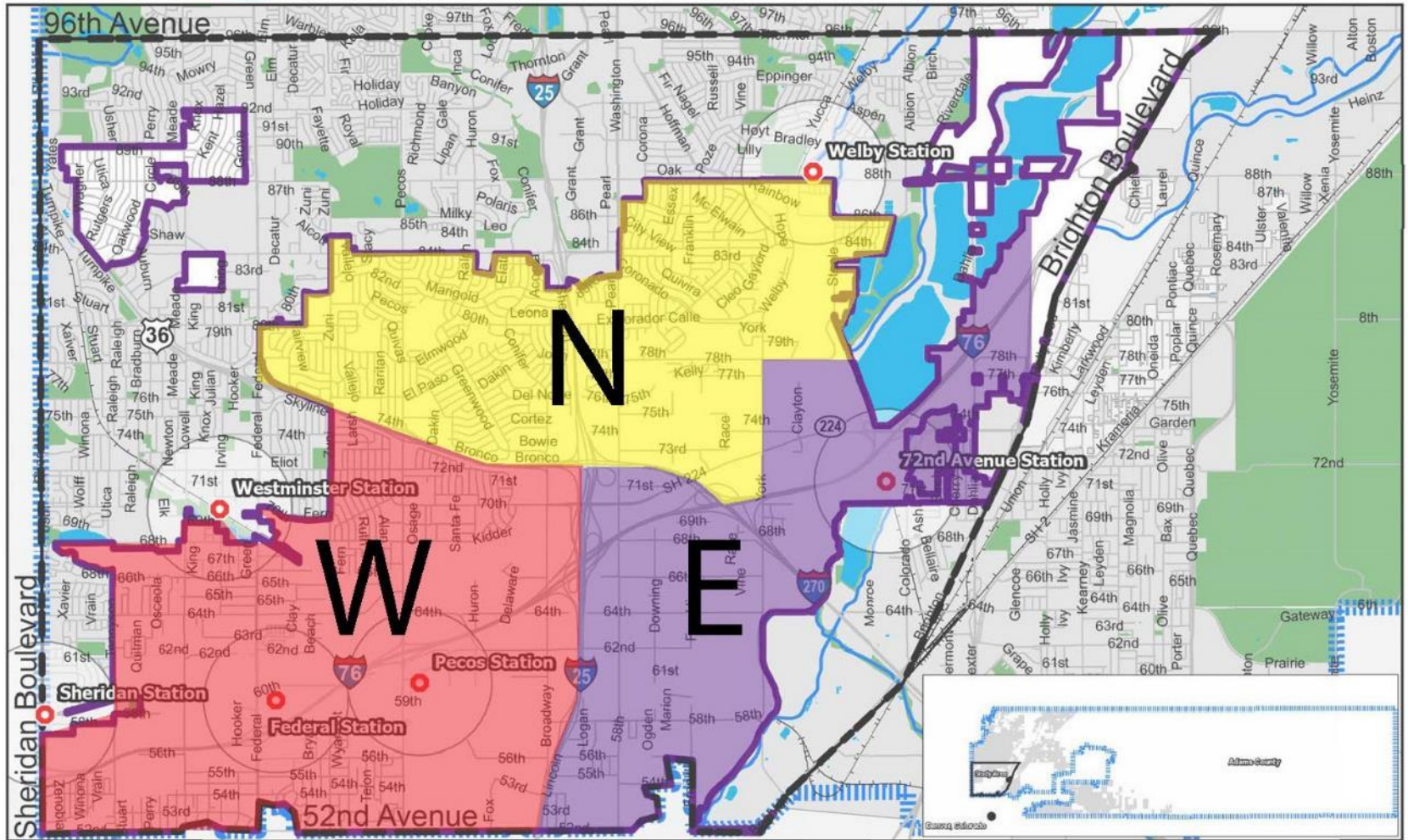
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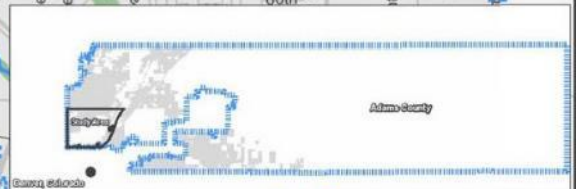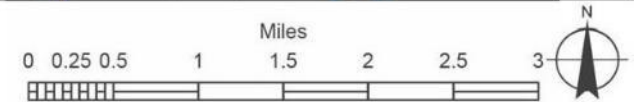## Community Workshop

# Tools, Goals and Objectives





- *Goal: Identify recommendations that will be prioritized later in project.*
- *Choose a Sub-Area*
  - North Sub-Area
  - West Sub-Area
  - East Sub-Area
- *Workshop Maps*
  - Public Infrastructure Map
  - Jobs, Housing and Services Map
- *Stickers by Category*
- *Priority Questions*
- *Sign-in Sheet*

# Choose a Sub-Area

# Public Infrastructure Map

🟢 *Park or Open Space*



🔴 *Roadway or Traffic Signal*



🔵 *Water or Sewer*



⚫ *Walking, Biking or Transit Stop*



🔴 *Stormwater or Drainage*

# Jobs, Housing & Services Map

🔴 *Shops or Restaurants*

🟡 *Housing*

🟣 *Educational or Medical*

🟤 *Jobs*

# Regroup/Summary

- *What was discussed as Public Infrastructure priorities in your sub-area?*

- *What was discussed as potential locations for jobs, housing and services in your sub-area?*

# Reagrupación/Resumen

- *¿De qué se habló en las prioridades de infraestructura pública en su subárea?*

- *¿De qué se habló en relación con posibles ubicaciones de trabajos, vivienda y servicios en su subárea?*

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## Priority Questions

- *Make sure you have a **voting key pad**.*

- *You'll be able to select **one answer per multiple choice question**.*

- *Results will help to inform our efforts in **ranking and prioritizing projects**.*

## Prioridad de las preguntas

- *Asegúrese de tener un **key pad para votar.***

- *Podrá seleccionar **una respuesta para una pregunta con varias opciones.***

- *Los resultados ayudarán a documentar nuestro trabajo **de clasificar y establecer prioridades de los proyectos.***

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## Will the Broncos win the Superbowl?

1. *Yes!*

2. *No!*

3. *What's a Bronco?*

## ¿Van a ganar los Broncos el Superbowl?

1. *¡Sí!*

2. *¡No!*

3. *¿Quiénes son los Broncos?*

## How should we prioritize transportation needs?

1.  Improvements to **major corridors**

2.  Improvements to **local streets**

3.  Improvements to **walking and biking**

4.  Improvements to **access to transit**

## ¿Cómo debemos establecer prioridades para las necesidades de transporte?

1.  Mejoras a los **corredores principales.**

2.  Mejoras a las **calles locales.**

3.  Mejoras a las **zonas de caminar y de andar en bicicleta.**

4.  Mejoras al **acceso al tránsito.**

**Where should we prioritize walking and biking infrastructure?**

1. By **schools**

2. By **parks and trails**

3. By **jobs and medical facilities**

4. By **shopping and restaurants**

5. By **transit stops**

**¿En dónde se debemos dar prioridad a las infraestructuras de caminar y andar en bicicleta?**

1. En las **escuelas.**

2. En los **parques y senderos.**

3. En los **trabajos** e **instalaciones médicas.**

4. En los **sitios de hacer compras y restaurantes.**

5. En las **paradas de transporte público**

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## How should we prioritize walking and biking infrastructure?

1.  *Complete **one corridor at a time**, providing connection across a longer distance*

2.  *Complete projects at **key area**, …*

## Spanish translation

1.  Completar **un corredor a la vez**, dando la conexión a lo largo de una distancia larga.

2.  Completar los proyectos en **una área clave**

**Where should we prioritize water, sewer or stormwater infrastructure?**

**¿En dónde deberíamos establecer prioridades de las infraestructuras de agua, alcantarillado o drenaje de agua de lluvias?**

1. *Prioritize maintenance of infrastructure in **existing development areas and neighborhoods***

2. *Prioritize new/upgraded infrastructure to support the development of **vacant lots and brownfields***

1. *Establecer prioridad en el mantenimiento de las **infraestructuras en áreas desarrolladas y vecindarios existentes.***

2. *Establecer prioridad en las infraestructuras nuevas o actualizadas para apoyar el desarrollo de **lotes desocupados y terrenos comerciales contaminados.***

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# How should we pay for projects?

1. Grants

2. Bonds

3. Special use taxes

4. General revenue

# ¿Cómo debemos pagar por estos proyectos?

1. Subvenciones

2. Bonos

3. Impuestos para uso especial

4. Ingresos generales

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# Next Steps

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- *Technical Advisory Committee Workshop February 03, 2016*
  - *Discussion of the recommendations of the Consultant Team and from the Community Workshop.*
- *Compile listing of project recommendations*
- *Begin project prioritization process*
- ***Next Public Meeting: May 02, 2016***

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