

OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

PUBLIC MEETING FOR THE OKLAHOMA CITY BOULEVARD

08-21-2012 from 5:30pm - 8:00pm

The *Coca-Cola* Event Center
425 East California Avenue,
Oklahoma City, OK 73104

Welcome to The Oklahoma Department of Transportation Public Meeting for the future Oklahoma City Boulevard in Downtown OKC

PURPOSE OF MEETING

The purpose of this meeting is to provide an update and solicit comments about the project and the City's proposal to reduce the current six lane design to a four lane design.

PURPOSE OF PROJECT

The purpose of this project is a mitigation measure as committed to during the I-40 Crosstown Expressway Environmental Clearance process in order to reestablish access to the Downtown Central Business District by constructing a six-lane boulevard within the former alignment of the I-40 corridor.

The Oklahoma Department of Transportation and the City of Oklahoma City, in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration are proposing to improve the former I-40 corridor in downtown Oklahoma City from Pennsylvania Ave. to east of Oklahoma by constructing the Oklahoma City Boulevard. The proposed \$80 million Boulevard will be four lanes with curbs and a parking lane in each direction or six lanes with curbs in each direction that ties into the new I-40 Crosstown.

Agenda

Welcome: David Streb
Director of Engineering, ODOT

Opening Remarks: Gary Evans
Deputy Director/Chief Engineer, ODOT

Construction Update: Paul Green
Division 4 Engineer, ODOT

Boulevard Background and Purpose:
David Streb

Boulevard Update: Eric Wenger
Public Works Director, Oklahoma City

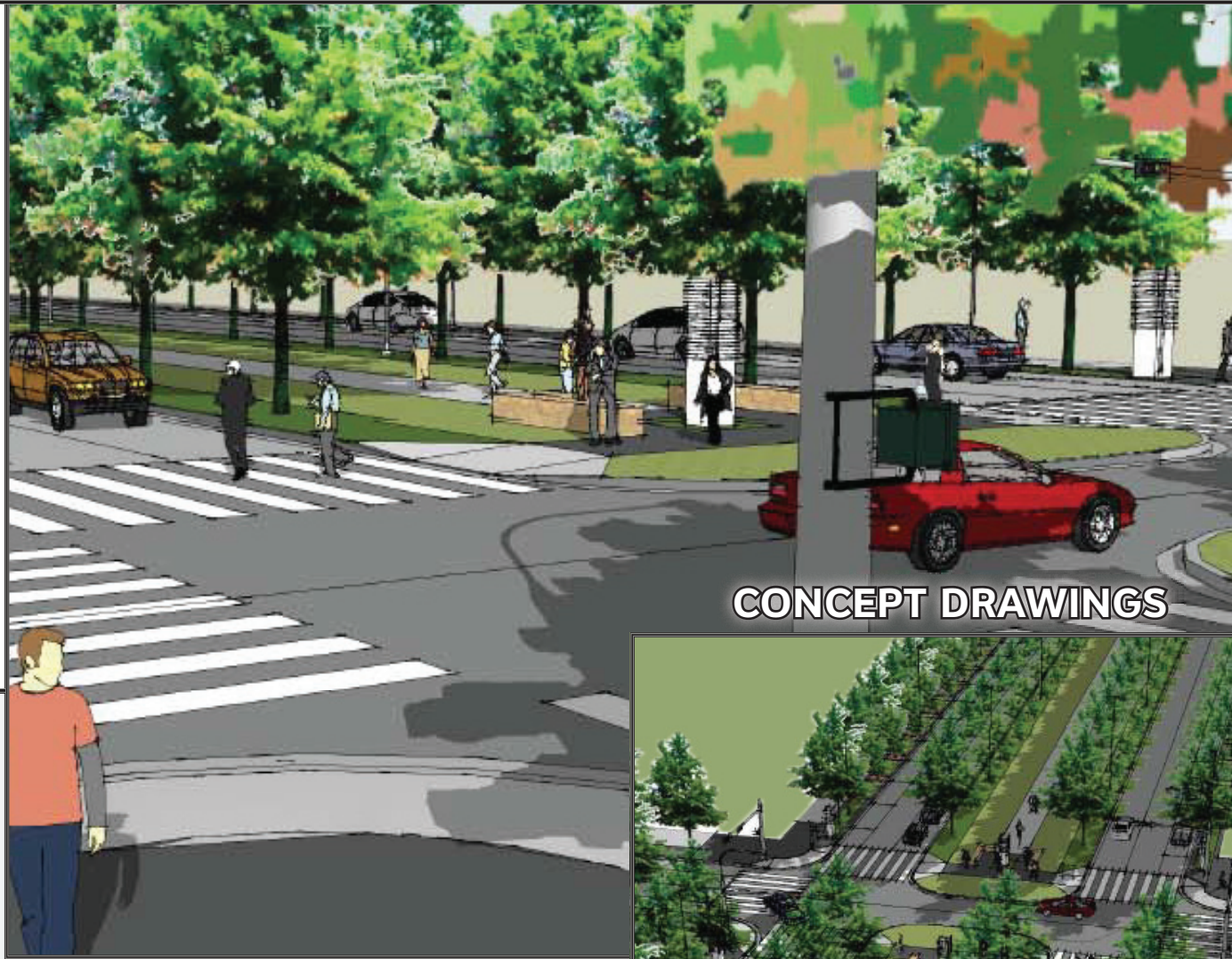
Questions

Break out to Individual Questions

DIVISION 4 INFORMATION

- Division Engineer: *Paul Green*
- Total Road Miles: *1,421.12*
- Total Interstate Miles: *222.47*
- Total Bridges: *1,148*
- Counties Served: *9*

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CONCEPT DRAWINGS



QUESTIONS? COMMENTS?

If you have questions or comments about ODOT's proposed project, please visit www.odot.org/meetings/other.php to fill out an official comment form, or send an e-mail to mcoordinator@odot.org by September 4th, 2012.

PROJECT LOCATION MAP



I-40 Crosstown Expressway

Timeline of Events:

January 1996 - Citizens Advisory Committee and Technical Advisory Committee formed and the first public meeting held at the Myriad Convention Center.

July 1996 - A list of seven core alternate routes were developed along with the "no build" option and Transportation Systems Management improvements.

September 1996 - A short list of alternates was chosen to include Alternates A, B and D.

December 1996 - ODOT agrees to develop an additional Alternate B-3 after requests to look at a variation of the B Alternate.

1997 - 1998 - Research and studies continue.

April thru December 1998 - The scale models of Alternates B-3 and D were displayed throughout the city to illustrate the features with each alternate and to aid in consensus building in the community.

December 1998 - Alternate D is announced as the preferred route for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement. (Included 6-lane Boulevard)

January 1999 thru January 2000 - Consensus building continues throughout the community and the City of Oklahoma City begins land use and mitigation plan for I-40.

February 2000 - Oklahoma City completes the Land Use and Mitigation Plan for I-40 and ODOT reviews the plan for inclusion into the Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

January 2001 - Draft Environmental Impact Statement is released to the public for review and comment.

February 2001 - Public Hearing is held on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement at the Myriad Convention Center, requesting public comments.

March 2001 thru January 2002 - Comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement are evaluated with responses and the Final Environmental Impact Statement is developed.

February 2002 - Final Environmental Impact Statement released to the public for viewing.

May 2002 - Record of Decision is signed by the Federal Highway Administration. (Included 6-lane Boulevard)

June 2002 - Land acquisition process began.

April 2003 - Relocation of Utilities began.

January 2004 - FHWA authorized funding for final design engineering in four engineering contracts.

November 2005 - Groundbreaking Ceremony.

March 2007 - The Technical and Citizen's Committee met, and ODOT held a public meeting at the Cox Convention Center.

April 2007 thru February 2009 - Construction continues.

March 2009 - Shields Boulevard reopened to traffic.

April 2009 thru December 2011 - Construction continues.

January 2012 - New Eastbound I-40 Crosstown open.

February 2012 - New Westbound I-40 Crosstown open.



What's Next?

- A second Public Meeting to present the results of tonight's meeting and consultant study
- Environmental clearance
- Complete construction of the Oklahoma City Boulevard