## Frazier Avenue Safety Enhancements



**PUBLIC MEETING** 

February 29, 2024

### Agenda

- 1. Opening (Jenny Hill)
- Context (Dan Reuter)
- 3. Traffic Report (Ross Pitcairn)
- 4. Project Priorities & Scenarios
  - a. Q&A
- 5. Next Steps
- 6. Provide Your Input
- 7. Closing



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## Context

### **Crash History**

(heat map reflecting crashes since 2018)

data source: Chattadata



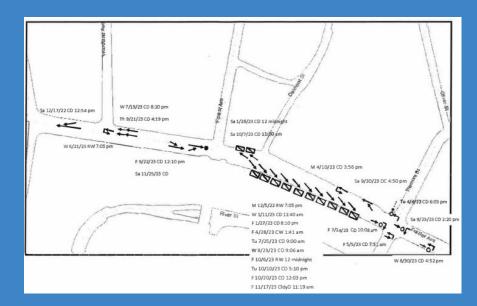
### **Crash History**

#### **One Year Results:**

11/28/22 to 11/28/23

25 crashes / 80% property damage 12 side-swipes with parked vehicles

data source: TITAN



•—	Moving Motor Vehicle	CRASH SUMMARY				
*	Pedestrian	Туре	Fatal	Injury	Property Damage	Total
	Parked Vehicle	Right Angle		1		1
		Rear End			2	2
	Fixed Object	Side-Swipe	1		15	16
	Fatal Crash	Left Turns		3	3	6
<b>─</b> ~	Personal Injury	Fixed Object				0
		Others				0
	Property Damage	TOTAL	1	4	20	25

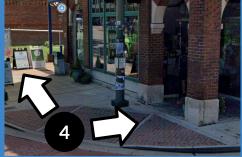
#### Walk / Bike Inventory





- Curb almost flush between Woodland and Forest, where protection would help.
- 2 Exposed sidewalk lacks street trees, adding discomfort and risk against travel lanes.
- 3 Sidewalks gets crowded for all users and all modes during peak use.
- Sidewalk has portions that are inaccessible to mobility impaired users.





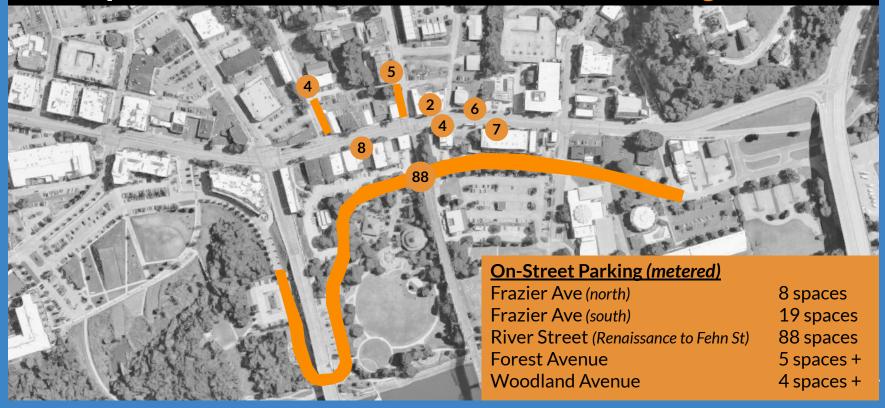
#### Other Issues

- 1. On-street parking too narrow (~6') between Forest & Tremont
  - a. Clipped mirrors a constant problem
  - b. Unsafe for exiting passengers
  - c. Friction in the travel lanes caused by parking
- 2. No turn lanes at side-streets
- 3. No provisions for cyclists, especially those turning left onto Walnut.

#### Transportation Context // Public Parking Counts



#### **Transportation Context // On-Street Parking Counts**



## Pedestrian / Bicycle Counts

Frazier Avenue at N Market Street 2020 - 2023 Spring & Fall

24-hour counts



#### **Pedestrian Counts**

Weekday Average: 1,203

Weekend Average: 2,947

#### **Bicycle Counts**

Weekday Average: 212

Weekend Average: 293

## Traffic Report

### Traffic Report Key Findings

- 1. Signals need improvement
- Speed reduction with one lane in each direction with turning lane
- 3. 10% reduction in traffic volume
- 4. Increased travel time by about 30 seconds to 1 minute
- 5. LOS A with 4 lanes; LOS B with 3 lanes

## Frazier Ave: Design Scenarios

## **Project Priorities**

- 1. Prioritize pedestrians.
- 2. Merchant vitality.
- 3. Bicycle routing.
- 4. Vehicular throughput.

# Where should bicyclists, scooters, and other forms of micromobility\* go in the redesign?

#### 1. Street

- a. Shared travel lane with cars
- b. In a dedicated bicycle lane
- c. In a dedicated & protected lane
- 2. Sidewalk

<sup>\*</sup> Micromobility also includes all small-wheeled devices, such as skateboards, rollerblades, and inline skates.

## TWO Design Options.

What are the consistent themes?



- 1. Quick-action
  - a. Not centered on heavy infrastructure
- 2. 3-Lane roadway (1 lane removed)
- 3. Lane widths: 10' wide
- 4. On-street parking adjustments
  - **a.** Reconciling narrowness  $\rightarrow$  from 6' to 8' w
- 5. Sidewalks are buffered from travel lanes.
- 6. Bike travel is considered
  - a. Destinations and routes differ.

## TWO Design Options.

What are the biggest differences?



## 1. Where on-street parking is focused Considering opposite sides to balance with other modes of travel.

- a. Both sides
- b. North side

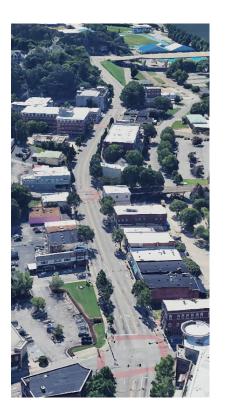
#### 2. Space for bikes, scooters, and other small-wheeled devices.

- a. 1 option emphasizes a route through the park, with sharrows on Frazier.
- b. 1 option provides dedicated bike facilities on Frazier to the Walnut Street Bridge

#### 3. Types of sidewalk protection

- a. Sidewalk buffer zone
- b. On-street parking
- c. Protected bike facilities

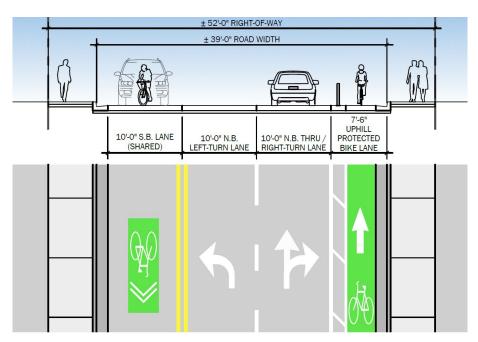
#### **Frazier Ave: Options Comparison**



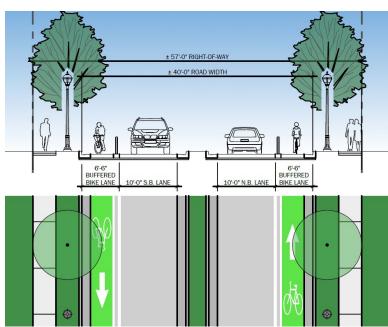
Existing Conditions	Option A	Option B
<ul> <li>Lanes</li> <li>4</li> <li>11-12' average</li> <li>(13-16' max.)</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Lanes</li><li>3</li><li>10' standard width</li></ul>	<ul><li>Lanes</li><li>3</li><li>10' standard width</li></ul>
<ul><li>Parking</li><li>± 27 spaces</li><li>6-7' width</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Parking</li> <li>± 35 spaces (+ 8)</li> <li>8' parking</li> <li>Both sides</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Parking</li> <li>± 19 spaces (- 8)</li> <li>8' width</li> <li>Northern side</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Bike Facility:         <ul> <li>Shared travel lane on Frazier</li> <li>Access through parks / River St</li> <li>Connections less direct</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Bike Facility:         <ul> <li>2-way protected lane</li> <li>Southern side</li> <li>Direct connection to planned Veterans</li> <li>Bridge bike facility</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

## **Both Options...**

#### Frazier Ave: Potential Tremont St to River Connection



**Between Frazier & River St** 



**River St to Blue Rhino** (Theatre Centre)

#### Frazier Ave: Menu of Potential Enhancements

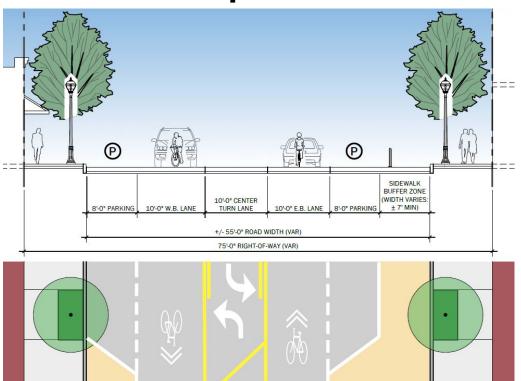
LEGEND OF POTENTIAL IMPROVEMENTS		
#	DESCRIPTION	TYPE
1	River Street: Bicycle Route Enhancements (Sharrows + Signage)	Operational
2	Existing Staircase / Bike Runnel Attachment	Operational
3	River Street Alley Connection	Potential Capital Project
4	Tremont Street: Blue Rhino Shared Use Path Connection	Potential Capital Project
5	Tremont Street Bicycle Facilities (Sections A1 & A2)	Operational
6	Renaissance Park (near Restroom): Add Multimodal Curb Ramp	Operational
7	Renaissance Park Entrance: Reallocate for At-grade Bike Facility	Operational
8	Manufacturers Road: Assess Off-street Connections toward US-27	Potential Capital Project
9	Frazier Avenue: Add Bollards or Planters	Operational

LEGEND		
	On-street Shared Lanes	
	On-street Dedicated Lanes	
	Existing Bike/Ped Pathways	
	Sidewalk Buffer Zone	
	Operational Enhancement (See Table)	
	Potential Capital Project (See Table)	

## Option A

Balanced On-Street Parking Shared Travel Lanes ("Sharrows") Sidewalk Buffer Zone

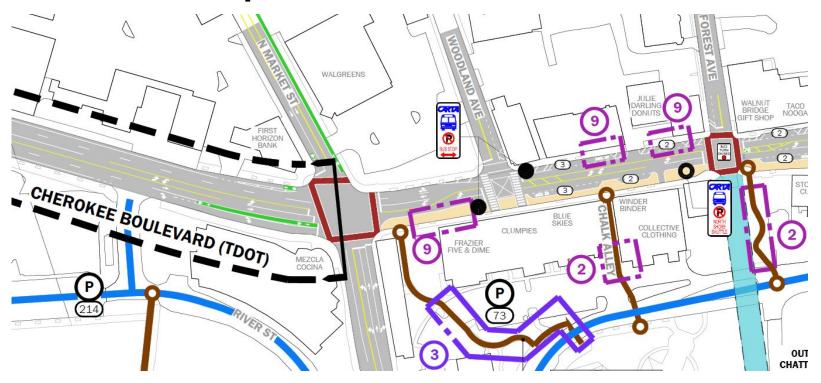
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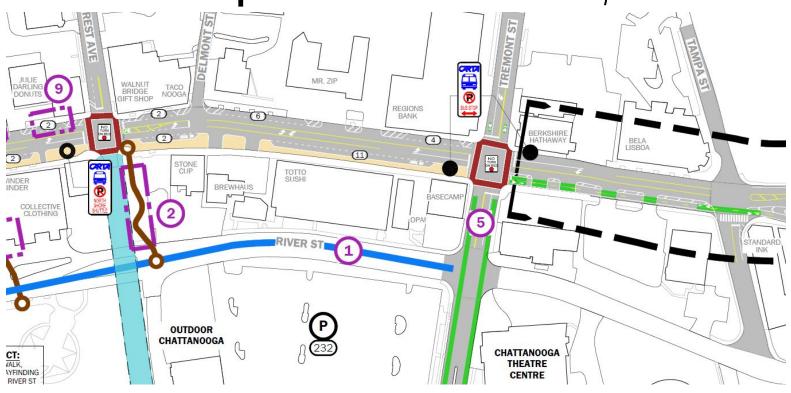




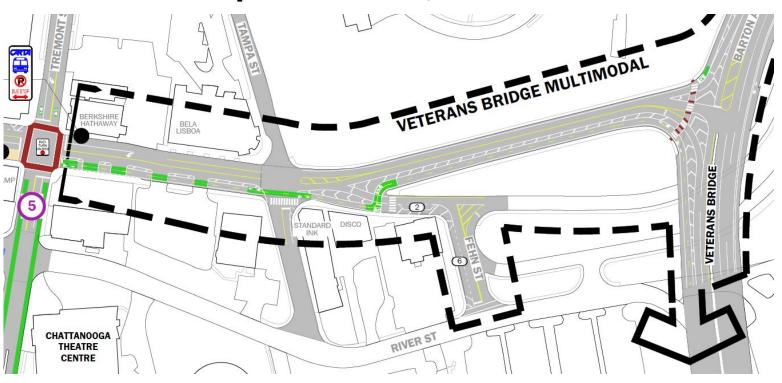
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#### Frazier Ave: Option A (Forest Ave to Tampa St)



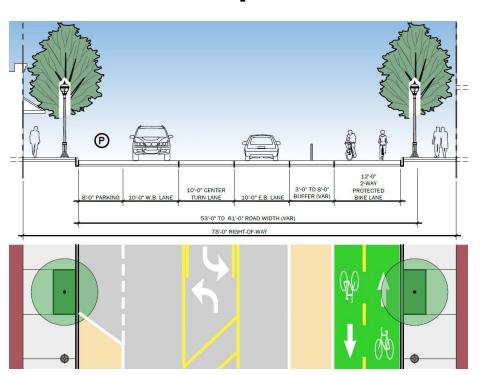
#### **Frazier Ave: Option A** (Tampa St to Barton/Veterans)



## **Option B**

Northside Parking Two-Way Protected Lane

#### **Frazier Ave: Option B**

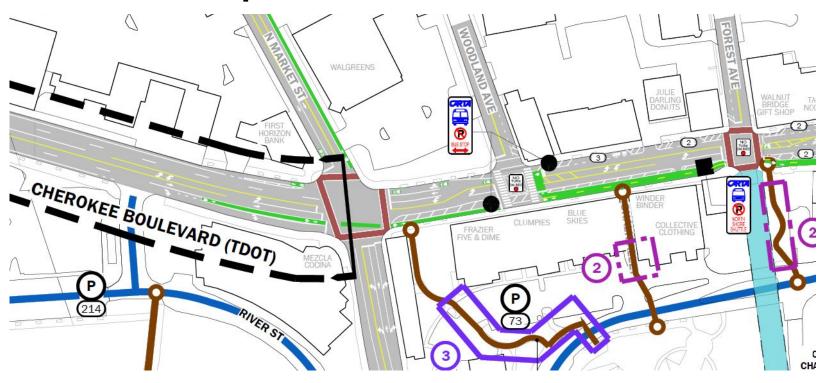




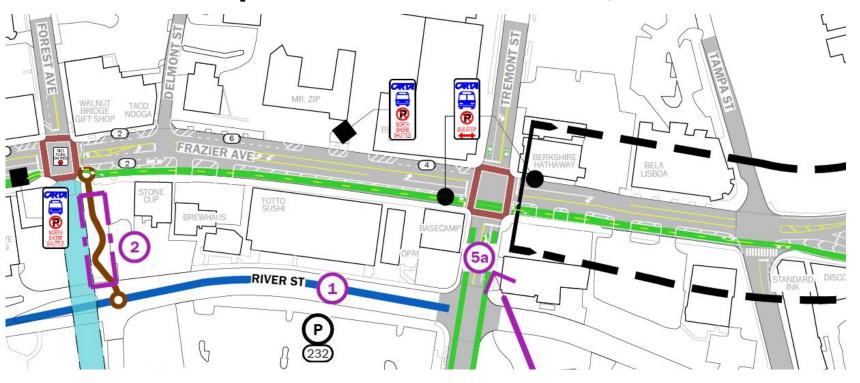




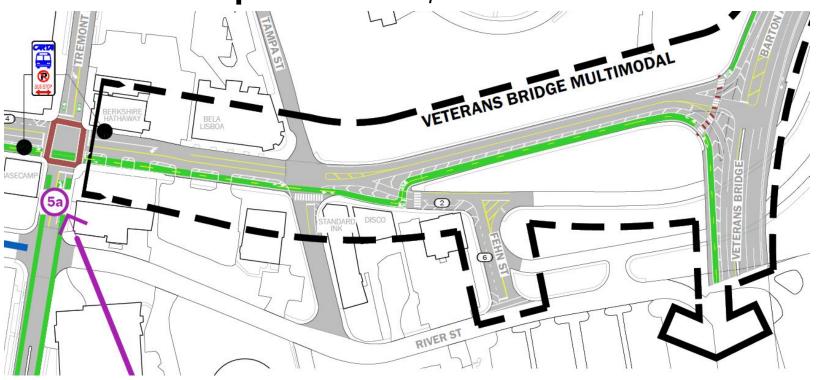
#### Frazier Ave: Option B (N Market St to Forest Ave)



#### Frazier Ave: Option B (Forest Ave to Tampa St)



#### **Frazier Ave: Option B** (Tampa St to Barton/Veterans)



#### **Next Steps**

Website & Survey: cha.city/frazier

#### Public Input

- In-Person Review of Concept Boards (Tonight)
- Online survey: closes on Friday, March 15
- Release Final Plan
  - Friday, March 29
- Implementation

## Provide Your Input

Website & Survey:

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- 1. Take the online preferences survey.
- 2. Review the concept boards.
- 3. Which option do you prefer?
- 4. What do you feel would make it better?
- 5. What do you feel is most concerning about this plan?

## Closing

## Thank you!

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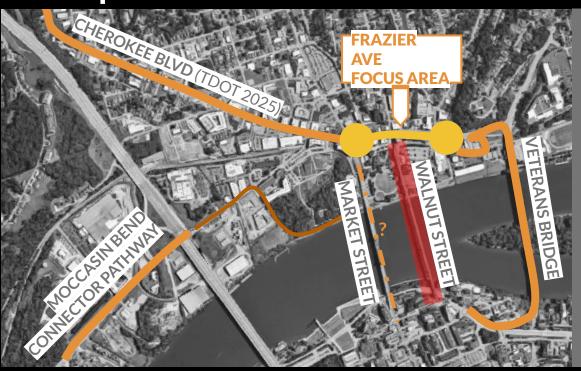
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## Appendix

### **Related Efforts**

#### Transportation Context // Related Projects



#### A. Walnut Street Bridge

- Renovations targeted for 2025.
- Option for an alternate bike and ped route on Veterans Bridge
- Coordination ongoing with TDOT for Market St (uncertain)

#### B. Cherokee Boulevard + Dayton Boulevard (SR-8)

- TDOT-planned repaving in 2025
- Lane reconfiguration concept sent to TDOT for initial comment.

#### C. Moccasin Bend Connector

Shared-use path project, linking Manufacturers Rd to Hamm Rd & Moccasin Bend