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## The Future of 16 Avenue N.W.

SPC on Transportation and Transit June 16, 2021



## **The Future Vision for Calgary**

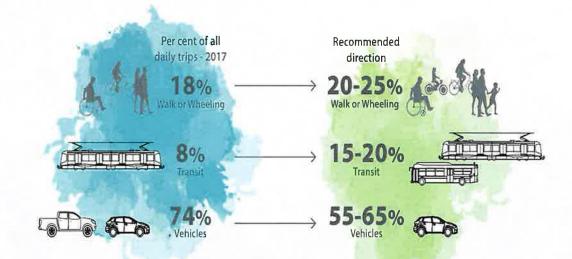
Current and future travel choices

## Policy guidance

- City Shaping
- Prosperous Economy
- Reduction in Climate Impact
- Equitable Mobility Choices
- Great Places

#### Vision for 16 Avenue N.W.

- Connect Calgarians to places
- Primary Goods Movement Corridor
- High Occupancy Vehicle Corridor
- Skeletal road
- Urban Boulevard and a Main Street







## Future of 16 Avenue N.W. Project



#### **Project Principles**

Social and Healthy Lifestyle

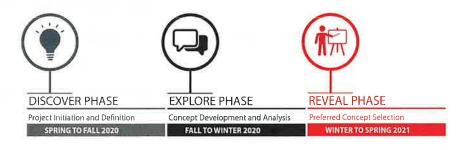
**Mobility and Function** 

**Character and Identity** 

**Economic Vitality** 

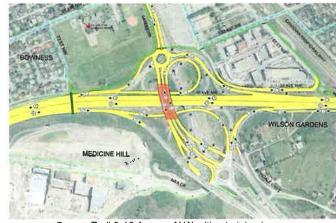
#### Citizen Involved Process











Sarcee Trail & 16 Avenue N.W. ultimate interchange



#### **Function**

- Connecting people to places
- Moving goods
- Supporting growth in northwest Calgary
- Ring road connection
- Major river crossing
- Skeletal road

## **Opportunities**

- Enhanced walking and wheeling connections
- Enhanced safety
- Improved speed transition
- Pedestrian overpass (2)

#### Challenges

 Prediction of growth in traffic volumes, up to 74,000 vehicles per day in 20+ years

West Segment





Source: MCA



Shouldice Park

#### **Function**

- Supports businesses
- Community connection
- Complements Bowness Road Main Street
- Connects people to sports facilities
- Bow River pathway connection
- Moving goods
- Urban Boulevard

#### **Opportunities**

- Enhanced public realm
- Greener street
- Safer movement along and across
- Highlight community identity
- Create a destination
- Bylaw setback in place

#### Challenges

- Competing policies
- Development potential of lots in one block
- Achieving a Neighborhood Main Street

Main Street Segment in Montgomery









Alberta Children's Hospita Source: AHS



Foothills Medical Centre Source: AHS

# MONTGOMERY

Shaganappi Trail & 16 Avenue N.W. Long-Term plan



Crowchild Trail & 16 Avenue N.W. Long-Term plan

#### **Function**

- Emergency services
- Supports businesses
- Connects people to key destinations
- Skeletal road

#### **Opportunities**

- Enhanced walking and wheeling connections
- Pedestrian overpass (1)
- Promote bike connectivity along 29 Street N.W.
- Combine previously approved plans

#### **Challenges**

 Prediction of growth in traffic volumes, up to 74,000 vehicles per day in 20+ years

East Segment



# Recommendations – Focus on Safety



Lower speed limit

5-20 years

- Pavement rehabilitation
- Median barrier installation
- New traffic signal at 43 Street N.W.
- Protected left turn movement at Home Road N.W.
- Driver feedback sign for speeding on Home Road N.W.
- Improved transit stops and benches
- Safety improvements to merge ramps
- New multi-use crosswalk markings added at 29 Street N.W. intersection

Medium Term Plan

Long Term Plan



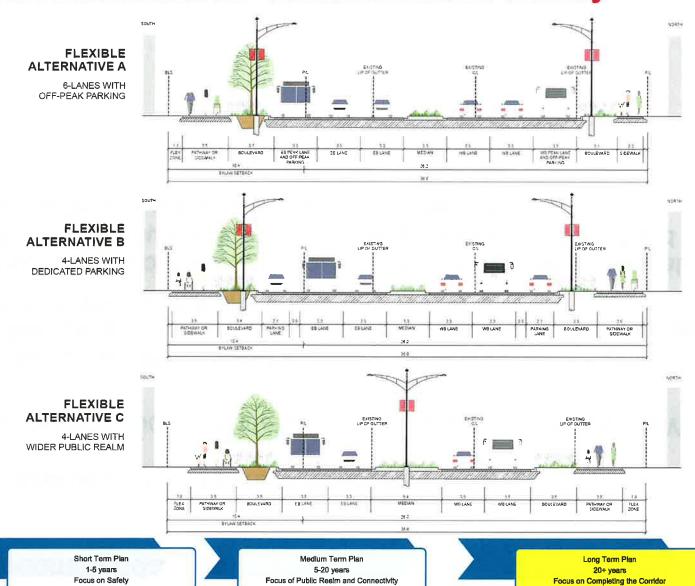
## **Recommendations – Focus on Community**

- Enhanced gateway on both ends of Montgomery
- Changed design character of the road
- Unified public realm connections
- 3.3m narrow travel lanes (2 in each direction with turn lanes)
- New traffic signals at 46 and 49 Streets N.W.
- Retain bylaw setback, add trees
- New east-west pathways & pedestrian overpasses in East and West Segments





# Recommendations – Focus on Future Flexibility





The SPC on Transportation & Transit recommend to Council:

- 1. Receive the short-term recommendations of the Future of 16 Avenue N.W. for information;
- 2. Approve and adopt the medium- and long-term recommendations of the Future of 16 Avenue N.W., for the West and East Segments as summarized in Attachment 1, Executive Summary; and
- 3. Direct Administration to continue to protect the 10.363m bylaw setback along the south side of 16 Avenue N.W. in Montgomery between 46 Street and MacKay Road for flexible use of public space as needed.