



February 9, 2017

Paul E. Ridley, Chairman  
and Members of the Transportation Committee

Transportation Committee Meeting

The CPC Transportation Committee will meet on Thursday, February 16, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at Dallas City Hall, City Council Chambers.

### **CPC Transportation Committee Meeting Agenda**

1. Approve Prior February 2, 2017 Meeting Minutes
2. Central Business District Streets and Vehicular Circulation Plan Amendment

#### **AT&T Area**

1. Change the operational characteristics of Commerce Street from Houston Street to Ervay Street from a four-lane eastbound roadway in 80 feet of right-of-way to a three-lane eastbound roadway in 80 feet of right-of-way;
2. Delete Akard Street between Jackson Street and Wood Street;
3. Change the operational characteristics of Akard Street from Wood Street to Young Street from a three-lane southbound roadway in 61-74 feet of right-of-way to a one-lane northbound and one-lane southbound roadway in 61-74 feet of right-of-way;
4. Delete Jackson Street between Field Street and 350 feet west of Lane Street;
5. Change the operational characteristics of Jackson Street from 350 feet west of Lane Street to Cesar Chavez Boulevard from a three-lane westbound roadway in 50-70 feet of right-of-way to a one-lane westbound and one-lane eastbound roadway in 50-70 feet of right-of-way; and
6. Change the operational characteristics of Wood Street from Griffin Street to Pearl Expressway from a three-lane eastbound roadway in 45-80 feet of right-of-way to a one-lane westbound and one-lane eastbound roadway in 45-80 feet of right-of-way.

3. Other Matters

4. Adjournment

If you have any questions, please contact me at 214-670-4038.

*Tanya Brooks*

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Assistant Director - Mobility Planning

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FOR  
AGENDA POSTING**

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of Governmental Entities**

**"Pursuant to Section 30.06, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with a concealed handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a concealed handgun."**

**"De acuerdo con la sección 30.06 del código penal (ingreso sin autorización de un titular de una licencia con una pistola oculta), una persona con licencia según el subcapítulo h, capítulo 411, código del gobierno (ley sobre licencias para portar pistolas), no puede ingresar a esta propiedad con una pistola oculta."**

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**CITY PLAN COMMISSION  
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

**AGENDA DATE:** February 16, 2017

**COUNCIL DISTRICT:** 2 & 14

**DEPARTMENT:** Mobility and Street Services

**CMO:** Jill Jordan, 670-5299

**MAPSCO:** 45L,P,Q

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**SUBJECT**

Amendments to the City of Dallas Central Business District Streets and Vehicular Circulation Plan to change the operational characteristics on: (1) change the operational characteristics of Commerce Street from Houston Street to Ervay Street from a four-lane eastbound roadway in 80 feet of right-of-way to a three-lane eastbound roadway in 80 feet of right-of-way; (2) delete Akard Street between Jackson Street and Wood Street; (3) change the operational characteristics of Akard Street from Wood Street to Young Street from a three-lane southbound roadway in 61-74 feet of right-of-way to a one-lane northbound and one-lane southbound roadway in 61-74 feet of right-of-way; (4) delete Jackson Street between Field Street and 350 feet west of Lane Street; (5) change the operational characteristics of Jackson Street from 350 feet west of Lane Street to Cesar Chavez Boulevard from a three-lane westbound roadway in 50-70 feet of right-of-way to a one-lane westbound and one-lane eastbound roadway in 50-70 feet of right-of-way; (6) change the operational characteristics of Wood Street from Griffin Street to Pearl Expressway from a three-lane eastbound roadway in 45-80 feet of right-of-way to a one-lane westbound and one-lane eastbound roadway in 45-80 feet of right-of-way.

**BACKGROUND**

AT&T has submitted an application to change the operation of the roadways surrounding its downtown campus. The applicant is requesting changes to Commerce Street, Akard Street, Jackson Street, and Wood Street. The proposed amendments will facilitate the design and development of the *AT&T Discovery District* and create a more walkable, open space campus environment. Pedestrian circulation throughout the area will be improved with wider sidewalks along Commerce Street. Jackson Street will be designed to accommodate a greater pedestrian and cycling experience providing an extensive network from the Trinity to the Santa Fe Trail. The Akard Street closure will extend and enhance the existing plaza and create an outdoor venue to be used as a destination for those who live, work and visit downtown Dallas.

A Corridor Study was conducted by HNTB to determine the feasibility of the proposed amendments. The study evaluated four performance measures, (1) mode assessment, (2) screen line/traffic flow demand, (3) level of service, and (4) travel time. The results of the analysis determined the proposals are feasible and will improve mobility for all modes. DART has committed to diverting buses from Commerce Street to other corridors. This

diversion eliminates the need for a dedicated transit lane therefore maintaining three through travel lanes on Commerce Street. The proposed amendment to close a segment on Jackson Street and Akard Street will not preclude access to existing buildings, garages or other parking. Stakeholders in the corridor have been engaged and many support the proposed changes that allow for movement of vehicular traffic while simultaneously incorporating pedestrian amenities.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

The proposed *AT&T Discovery District* plans will run concurrently at City Council. Staff recommends approval of the proposed thoroughfare plan amendments contingent on the approval of the proposed plan, the conformity with the adopted Dallas Complete Streets Manual and stakeholder support.

### **FISCAL INFORMATION**

This item has no cost consideration.

### **CONTACT PERSONS:**

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### **IMPACT OF DEFERRAL:**

Delaying this project will not cause any hardship to the applicant regarding financing and contracting.

### **MAP**

Attached

## FACT SHEET

**PROPOSED COUNCIL AGENDA:** April 12, 2017

**PROJECT:** An amendment to the City of Dallas Thoroughfare Plan to (1) change the operational characteristics of Commerce Street from Houston Street to Ervay Street from a four-lane eastbound roadway in 80 feet of right-of-way to a three-lane eastbound roadway in 80 feet of right-of-way; (2) delete Akard Street between Jackson Street and Wood Street; (3) change the operational characteristics of Akard Street from Wood Street to Young Street from a three-lane southbound roadway in 61-74 feet of right-of-way to a one-lane northbound and one-lane southbound roadway in 61-74 feet of right-of-way; (4) delete Jackson Street between Field Street and 350 feet west of Lane Street; (5) change the operational characteristics of Jackson Street from 350 feet west of Lane Street to Cesar Chavez Boulevard from a three-lane westbound roadway in 50-70 feet of right-of-way to a one-lane westbound and one-lane eastbound roadway in 50-70 feet of right-of-way; (6) change the operational characteristics of Wood Street from Griffin Street to Pearl Expressway from a three-lane eastbound roadway in 45-80 feet of right-of-way to a one-lane westbound and one-lane eastbound roadway in 45-80 feet of right-of-way

### **BACKGROUND:**

- Wood Street and Jackson Street currently have dedicated bike lanes and are in the 2011 Bike Plan.
- Commerce Street currently operates as a one-way eastbound four-lane roadway with a dedicated transit lane.
- Jackson Street and Wood Street currently operate as existing couplets.
- Jackson Street currently operates as a one-way westbound roadway three-lane roadway.
- Wood Street currently operates as a one-way eastbound three-lane roadway.
- Akard Street currently operates as a one-way southbound three-lane roadway.
- Stakeholder Letters in Support
  - Newcrest Image
  - DART
  - Statler Hotel and Residences
  - Hamilton Properties and Dallas Power and Light Building's Loan Holding LLC
  - Headington Companies
  - Neiman Marcus Group
  - Magnolia Hotels
  - Dal Park (conditional)
- Stakeholder Letters in Opposition
  - Interurban

- Prior Action
  - City Plan Commission Transportation Committee, January 19, 2017
    - Motion to hold the item until February 16, 2017
- Public Meeting
  - February 11, 2017
  - 77 people signed in at the meeting

# Commerce Street

Houston Street to Ervay Street

# Akard Street

Young Street to Jackson Street

# Jackson Street

Field Street to Cesar Chavez Boulevard

# Wood Street

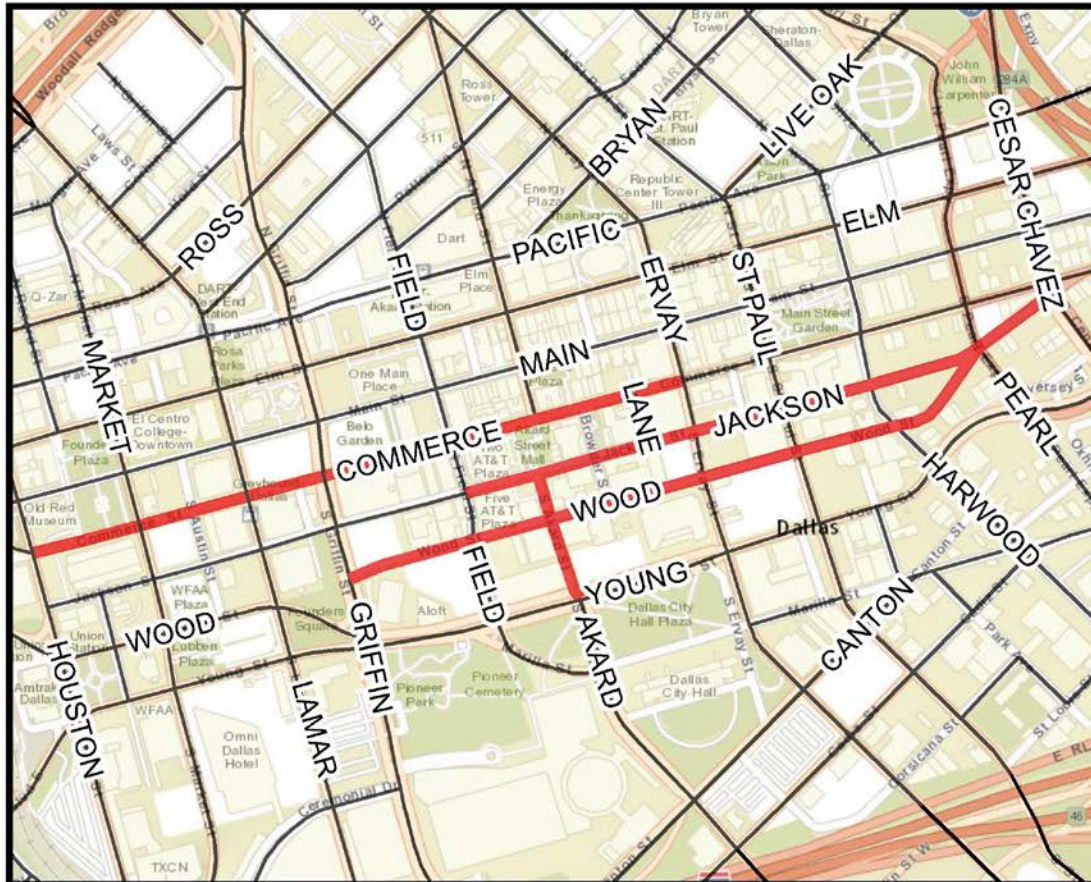
Griffin Street to Pearl Expressway

Council District: 2 & 14

MAPSCO: 45L,P,Q

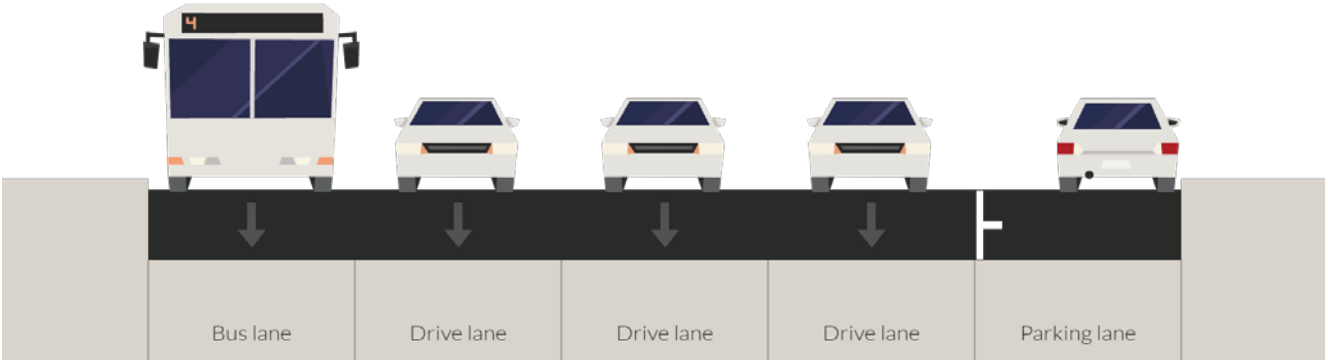
Central Business District

Vehicular Circulation Plan Amendment Map



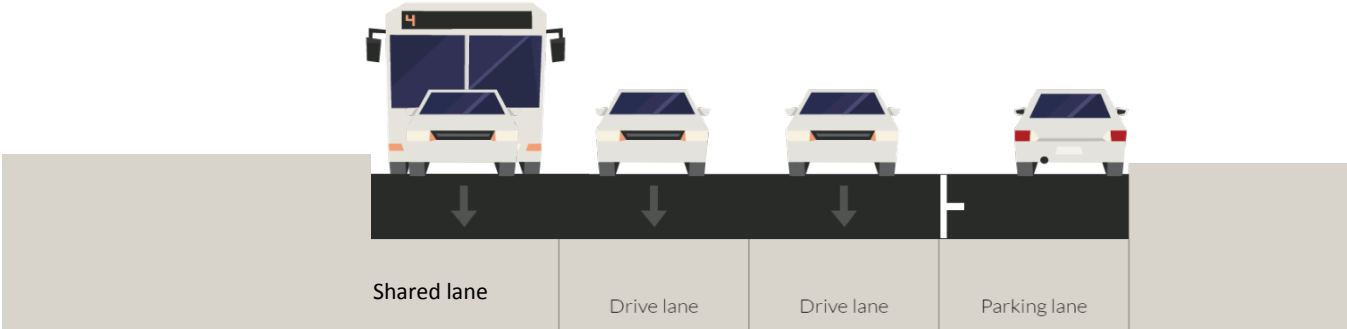


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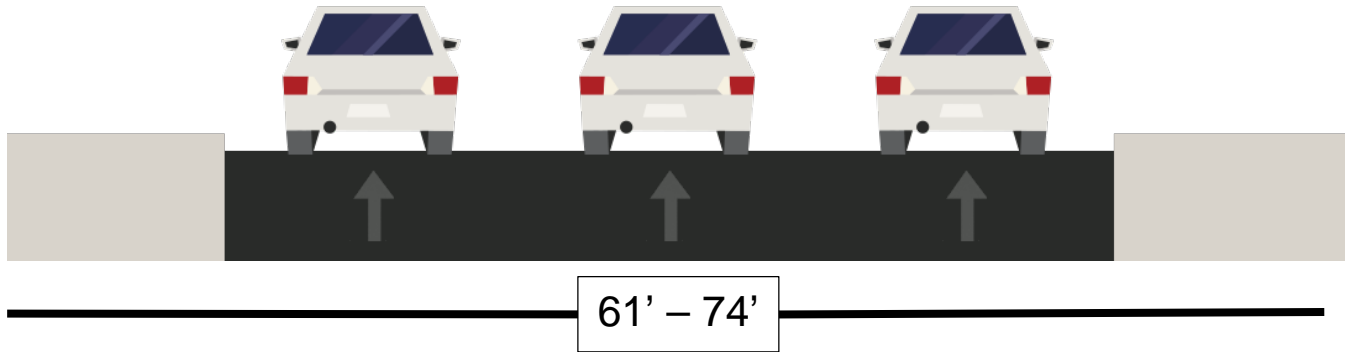
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# Commerce (Proposed)

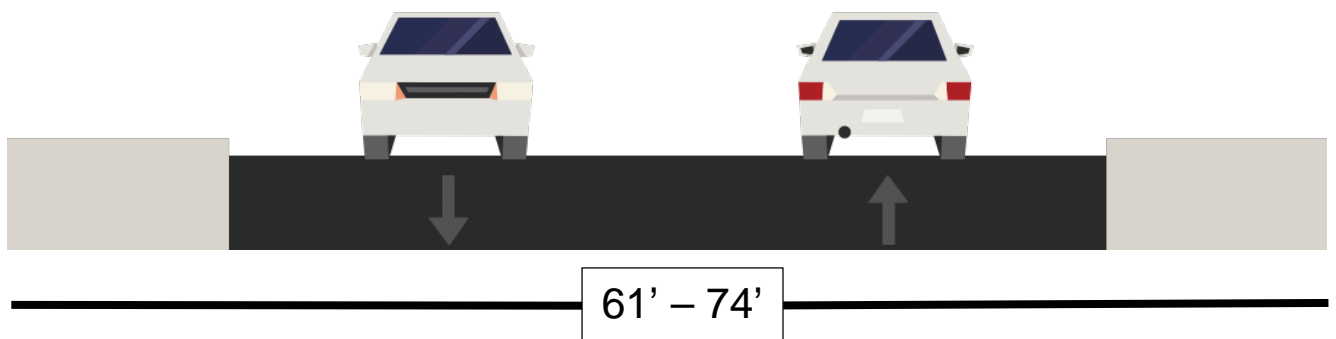


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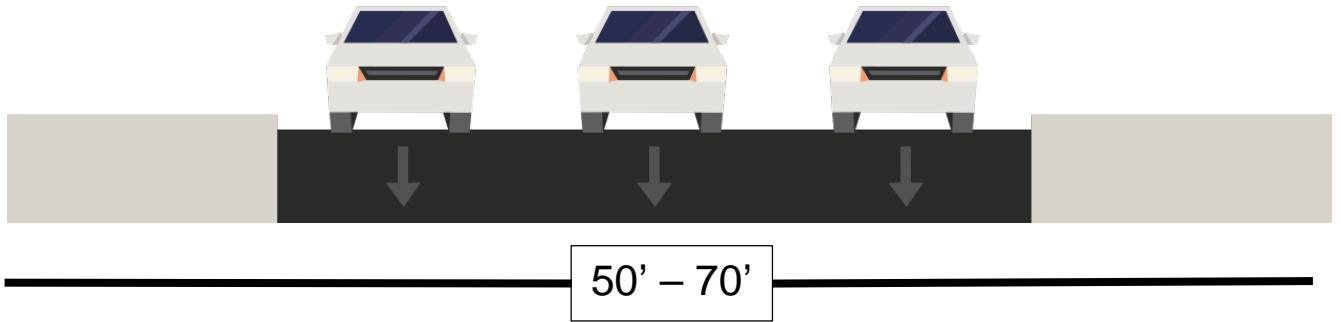
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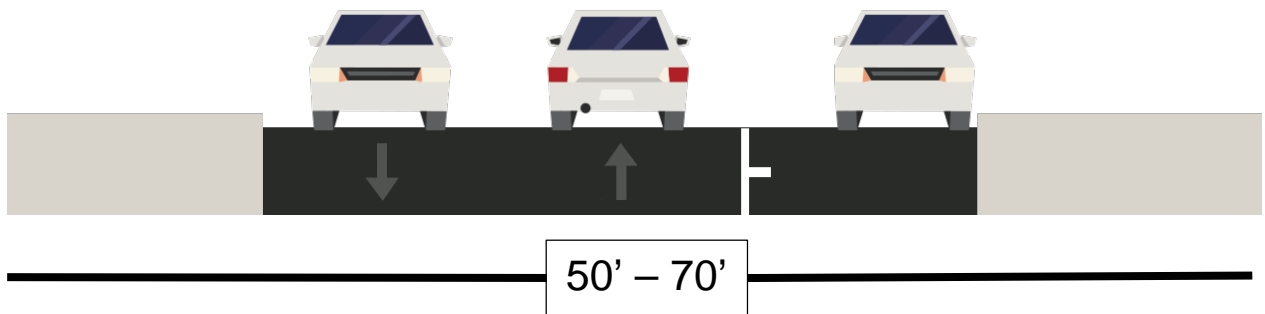
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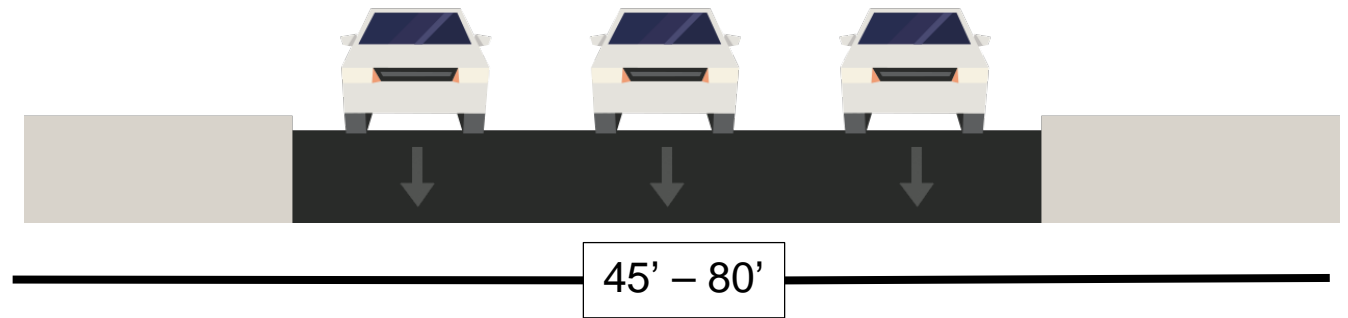
Jackson (Existing – Field to Cesar Chavez)



Jackson (Proposed – 350 west of Lane Street to Cesar Chavez)



Wood (Existing – Griffin to Pearl)



Wood (Proposed – Griffin to Pearl)

