

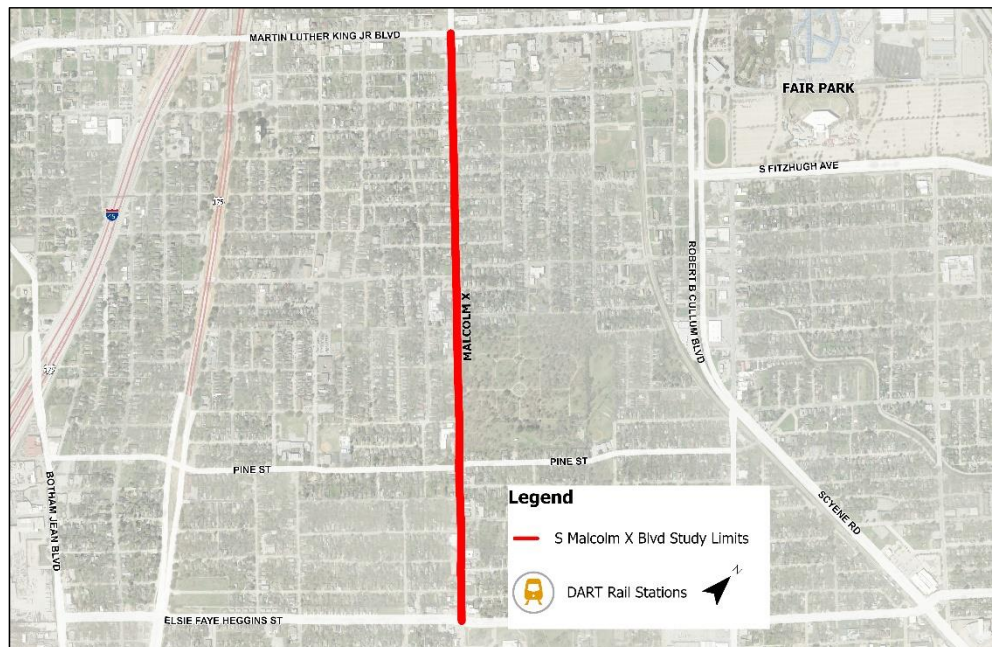
# Malcolm X Boulevard Corridor Study

## Phase 1 Public Engagement (July 2024) Summary

### Purpose of Study

The City of Dallas Department of Transportation is doing a formal engineering corridor study for Malcolm X Boulevard between Elsie Faye Heggins Street and Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, as a result of the 2022 community meetings' comments. The purpose of this corridor study is to determine recommended strategies and improvements that the City of Dallas can use to improve safety and mobility for all users of the corridor and address resident concerns.

*Figure 1 – Map of Project Limits for Malcolm X Boulevard Corridor Study*



### Public Meeting Overview

There was a public meeting on Saturday, July 13, 2024, from 2pm to 4pm at Martin Luther King Branch Library (2922 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, Dallas, TX 75215). This meeting was held as an open house, where attendees were given the opportunity to view multiple boards regarding existing conditions along the corridor and provide their input on the boards. Pictures of the boards after all attendees provided their input on them (using sticky notes and labels) are available in the Appendix (Images 1-5 and Tables 8-12). Overall, most comments on the boards focused on the community's desire to add additional traffic signals (especially at the intersection

of Malcolm X Boulevard and Metropolitan Avenue); establish bicycle facilities in the project area; and address current issues with parking, bus stop locations, and speeding.

In addition to providing input on the boards themselves, attendees were also given the option to provide their input on the corridor's existing conditions by filling out a comment card. Three comment cards were submitted and are available in the Appendix (Images 6-8). These comments were mainly focused on concerns with existing conditions such as the speed limit, parking, and coordinating with surrounding plans.

### **Public Survey Overview**

The survey was open to the public from June 12 to July 25, 2024. The objective of this first phase of engagement was to solicit the public's input on existing conditions and improvements they would like to see on Malcolm X Boulevard.

This survey was listed on the City of Dallas Department of Transportation website, emailed to community stakeholders. The survey was shared in both digital and physical formats to attendees at the July 13, 2024, public meeting at the Martin Luther King Branch Library, and copies were left at the Martin Luther King Branch Library, after the meeting. There was a total of 17 survey respondents. 16 of the respondents completed their survey digitally via Microsoft Forms, and 1 respondent completed their survey on a printed form.

Based on the results of this survey, respondents said they primarily drive when traveling along the corridor and will continue to drive in the future. However, they would also like to see enhancements to multimodal options, such as bicycle-scooter dedicated lanes, and improved sidewalks and crosswalks. Most of the respondents lived within the 75215 ZIP Code.

The following sections provide further details on the public survey results.

## Survey Questions

Question 1: What do you like about Malcolm X Boulevard within the study limits? There were 15 responses. The results are summarized in Table 1.

<b>Response Theme</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent of Respondents</b>
Convenience and connectivity	12	80%
DART stop locations	5	33%
Number of lanes, currently it is 2-lanes in each direction with a total of 4-lanes	4	27%
Sidewalks	3	20%
Traffic signal locations	3	20%
Other: Its potential (1) Not much (1)	2	13%
Lighting (street/sidewalk)	1	7%

Question 2: How do you use Malcolm X Boulevard within the study limits? There were 17 responses. Respondents were given the option to choose multiple options if needed. The results are summarized in Table 2.

<b>Response</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage of Respondents</b>
Drive	14	82%
Bicycle or scooter	3	18%
Transit (DART or other)	2	12%
Walk	0	0%
Other	0	0%

Question 3: How would you like to use Malcolm X Boulevard within the study limits?

There were 14 responses. Respondents were given the option to rank each mode of transportation from most to least preferred. The results are summarized in Table 3. Most people would prefer to drive or bike/scooter along Malcolm X Boulevard; but, compared to how people currently travel, there is also interest in being able to walk and take transit along Malcolm X Boulevard.

**Table 3 – How Respondents Would Like to Use Malcolm X Boulevard**

Response	1 <sup>st</sup> Choice	2 <sup>nd</sup> Choice	3 <sup>rd</sup> Choice	4 <sup>th</sup> Choice
Bike or scooter	35.7%	28.6%	21.4%	14.3%
Car	35.7%	21.4%	35.7%	7.1%
Walk	21.4%	21.4%	35.7%	21.4%
Transit	7.1%	28.6%	7.1%	57.1%

Question 4: What improvements would you like to see to Malcolm X Boulevard within the study limits?

There were 17 responses. Some responses contained more than one theme. Lighting improvements were mentioned most frequently by respondents, followed by improving the corridor’s pedestrian infrastructure, adding trees near sidewalks, and adding bike lanes. The results are summarized in Table 4.

**Table 4 – Proposed Improvements to Malcolm X Boulevard**

Response Theme	Number	Percentage of Respondents
Add additional lighting (street/sidewalk)	16	94%
Improve sidewalk	15	88%
Add or improve crosswalk	14	82%
Add trees near sidewalks	11	65%
Add bike lanes	10	59%
Add center-turn lane	7	41%
Add or improve traffic signals	7	41%
Change DART stop locations	2	12%
Other:	2	12%
Stop signs at Metropolitan (1)		
Increased law enforcement (1)		

Question 5: What is your primary connection to Malcolm X Boulevard? There were 17 responses. The results are summarized in Table 5.

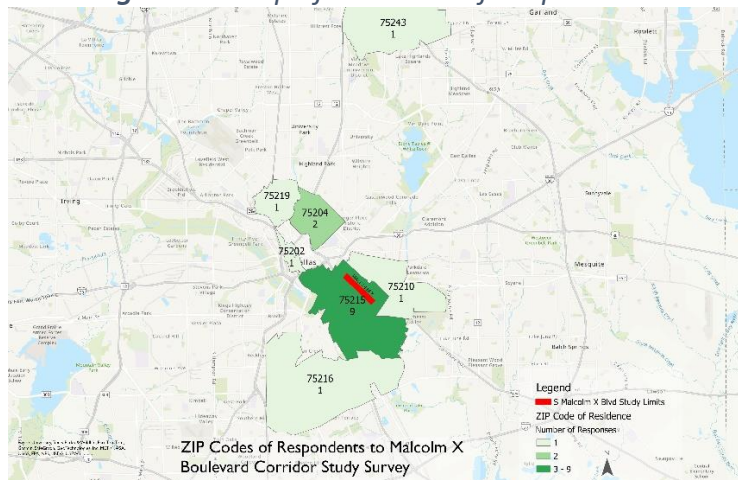
<i>Table 5 – Connection to Malcolm X Boulevard</i>		
<b>Response</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
I visit destinations along Malcolm X Boulevard (schools, churches, restaurants, stores, etc.)	7	41%
I live within 2 blocks of Malcolm X Boulevard	6	35%
I commute using Malcolm X Boulevard	2	12%
I work within 2 blocks of Malcolm X Boulevard	2	12%

Question 6: What is the ZIP Code in which you live? There were 17 responses. The responses are summarized in Table 6 and in Figure 2. For reference, the project corridor lies entirely within ZIP Code 75215. ZIP Code 76065 is not mapped in Figure 2 because it is located outside of Dallas City Limits.

<i>Table 6 – ZIP Code of Respondents</i>		
<b>ZIP Code</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
75202	1	6%
75204	2	12%
75210	1	6%
75215	9	53%
75216	1	6%
75219	1	6%
75243	1	6%
76065	1	6%

Note: Percentages do not add up to 100% because of rounding.

**Figure 2 – Map of ZIP Codes of Respondents**

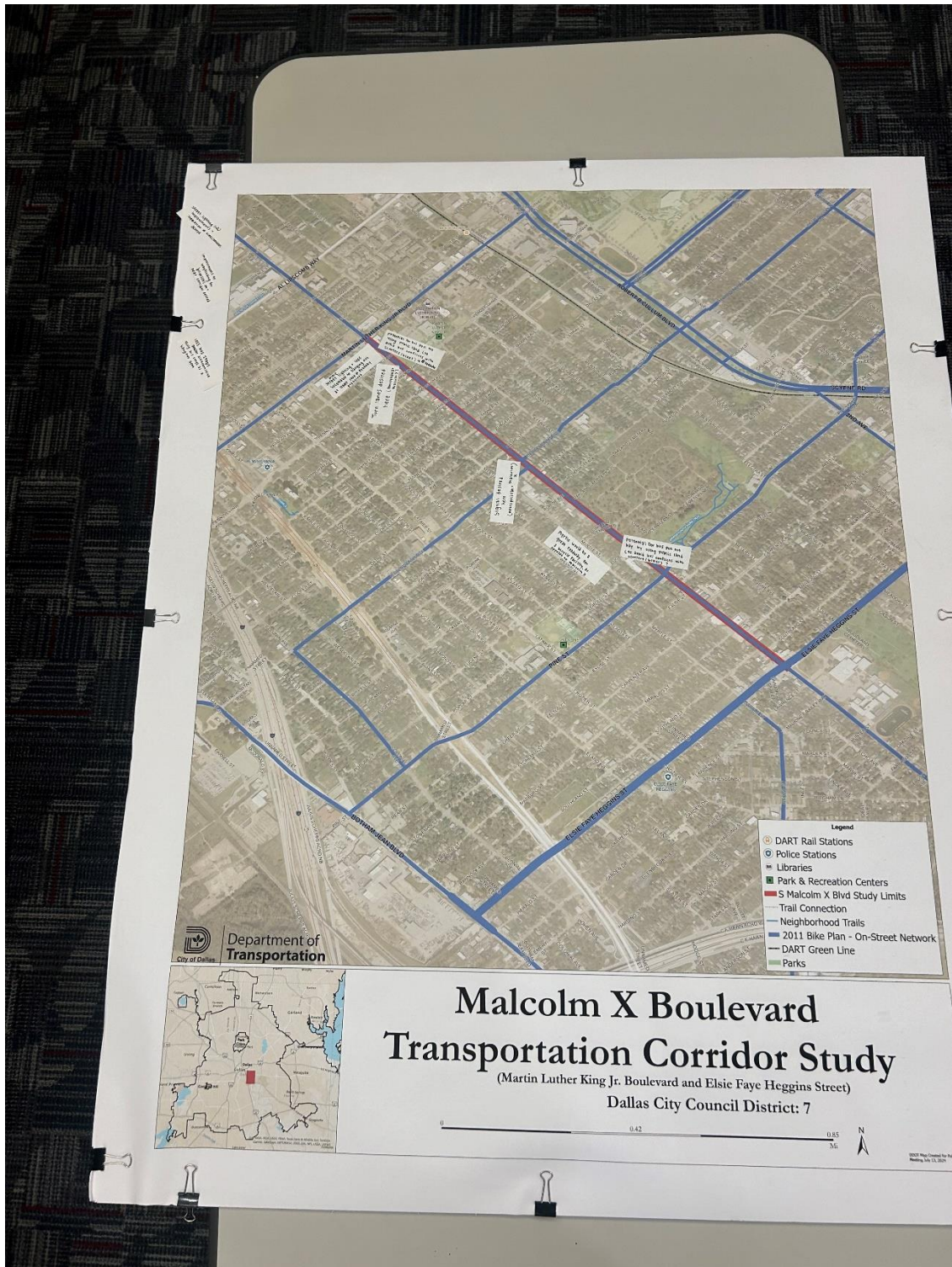


Question 7: What is your race/ethnicity? There were 17 respondents. This data is summarized in Table 7. This question is intended to understand how representative the respondents are of people that live in the impacted area to ensure any recommendations that result from the survey responses represent the diverse needs and perspectives of the community.

<b>Response</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Black or African American	10	59%
White	3	18%
Asian or Pacific Islander	1	6%
Hispanic or Latino	1	6%
Prefer not to say	2	12%
Note: Percentages do not add up to 100% because of rounding.		

# Appendix

Image 1 – Malcolm X Boulevard Corridor Study Overview Board

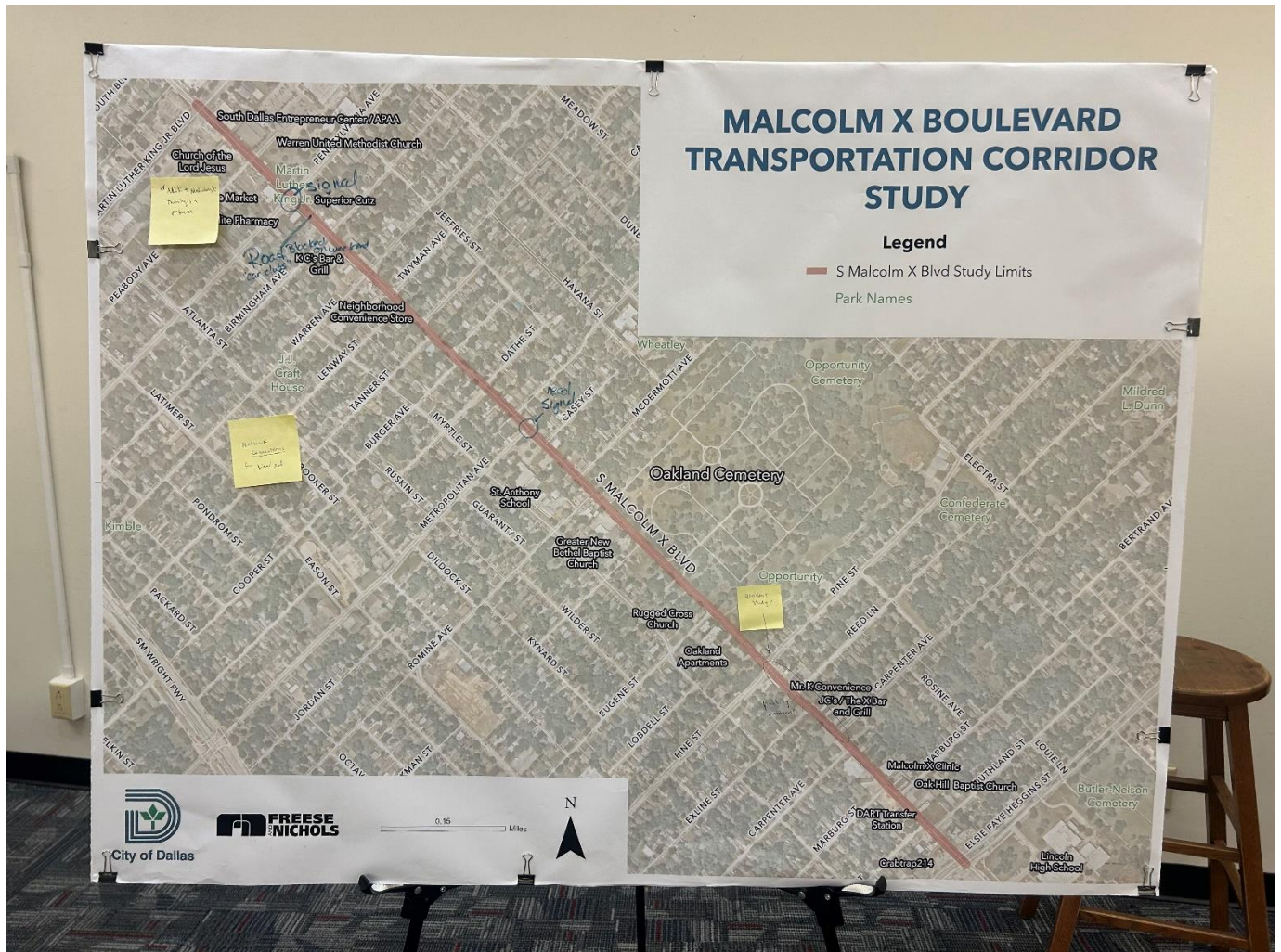


**Table 8 – Comments on Malcolm X Boulevard Corridor Study Overview Board**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Comment</b>
General / No specific location	Street lighting improvements and separation of bikes and vehicles is desired (expressed by 2 different meeting attendees).
General / No specific location	Improvements to wayfinding for bicyclists on and near the corridor is desired.
General / No specific location	Less bus stops are desired and/or the public needs to be disincentivized from using bus stops as hang out spots.
Malcolm X Boulevard and Peabody Avenue	More street lighting and strategies to reduce hanging out for long periods of time desired at Peabody Avenue bus stop.
Malcolm X Boulevard and Peabody Avenue (Northeast side of Malcolm X)	There could be potential here to use public land to install a bus pullout for the bus stop. This would reduce bus conflicts with bikes and scooters.
Malcolm X Boulevard and Pennsylvania Avenue	Turn lanes desired at this location.
Malcolm X Boulevard and Metropolitan Avenue	A traffic signal is desired at this location.
Myrtle Street	Myrtle would be a great roadway for a bicycle facility opposed to Malcolm X.
Malcolm X Boulevard and Eugene	There could be potential here to use public land to install a bus pullout for the bus stop. This would reduce bus conflicts with bikes and scooters.



Image 2 – Malcolm X Boulevard Corridor Study Key Destinations Board



<b>Location</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Malcolm X Boulevard and Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard	Turning is a problem at this location.
Malcolm X Boulevard and Pennsylvania Avenue	The signal at this location was annotated on the map with a circle and a label.
Malcolm X Boulevard between Pennsylvania Avenue and Birmingham Avenue	Road blocked with “car clubs” on the weekend.
General / No specific location	Network connections for bike/ped are desired in neighborhoods adjacent to Malcolm X.
Malcolm X Boulevard and Pine Street	Accident study?

Image 3 – Malcolm X Boulevard Corridor Study 2019-2023 Crashes Board



<b>Table 10 – Comments on Malcolm X Corridor Study 2019-2023 Crashes Board</b>	
<b>Location</b>	<b>Comment</b>
General / No specific location	Not in favor of bike lanes.
General / No specific location	Stop signs = cheaper than lights.
Malcolm X Boulevard and Pennsylvania Avenue	Bus stops in this location were noted.
Malcolm X Boulevard and Pennsylvania Avenue	Crosswalks are a problem.
Malcolm X Boulevard between Warren Avenue and Lenway Street	Where are the streetlights? Why are there a lot of crashes there?
Malcolm X Boulevard and Metropolitan Avenue	Traffic light here? Speeding.
Malcolm X Boulevard between Burger Avenue and Eugene Street	Can we do a center turn lane here?
Malcolm X Boulevard between Pennsylvania Avenue and Pine Street	Speeding.

Image 4 – Malcolm X Boulevard Corridor Study Traffic Volumes Board

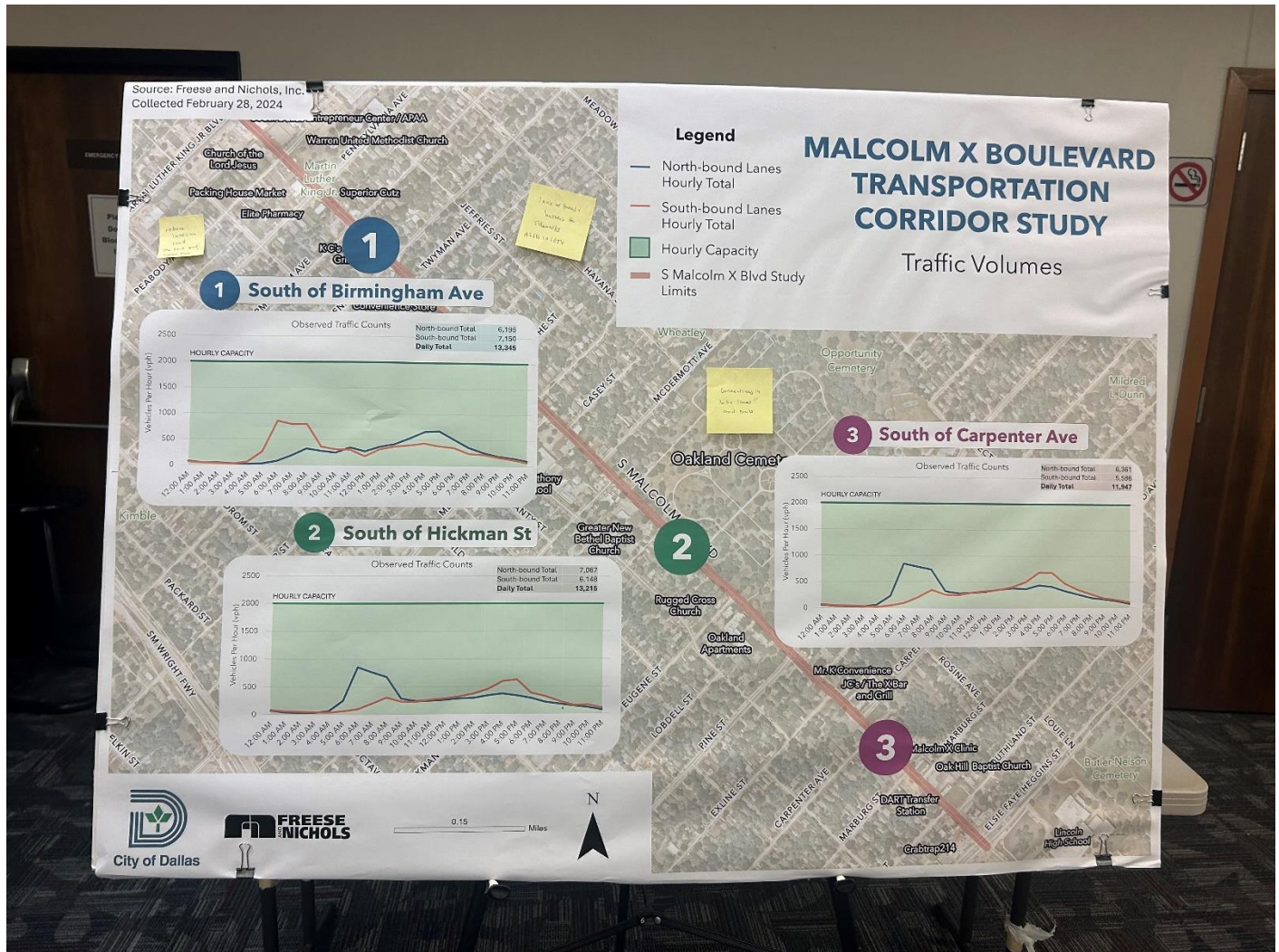


Table 11 – Comments on Malcolm X Corridor Study Traffic Volumes Board

Location	Comment
General / No specific location	Reduce lanes on road; one each way and center turn lane.
General / No specific location	Lack of trees and buffers for sidewalks. Need safety.
General / No specific location	Connections in bike lanes and trails!

Image 5 – Malcolm X Boulevard Corridor Study Observed Traffic Speeds Board

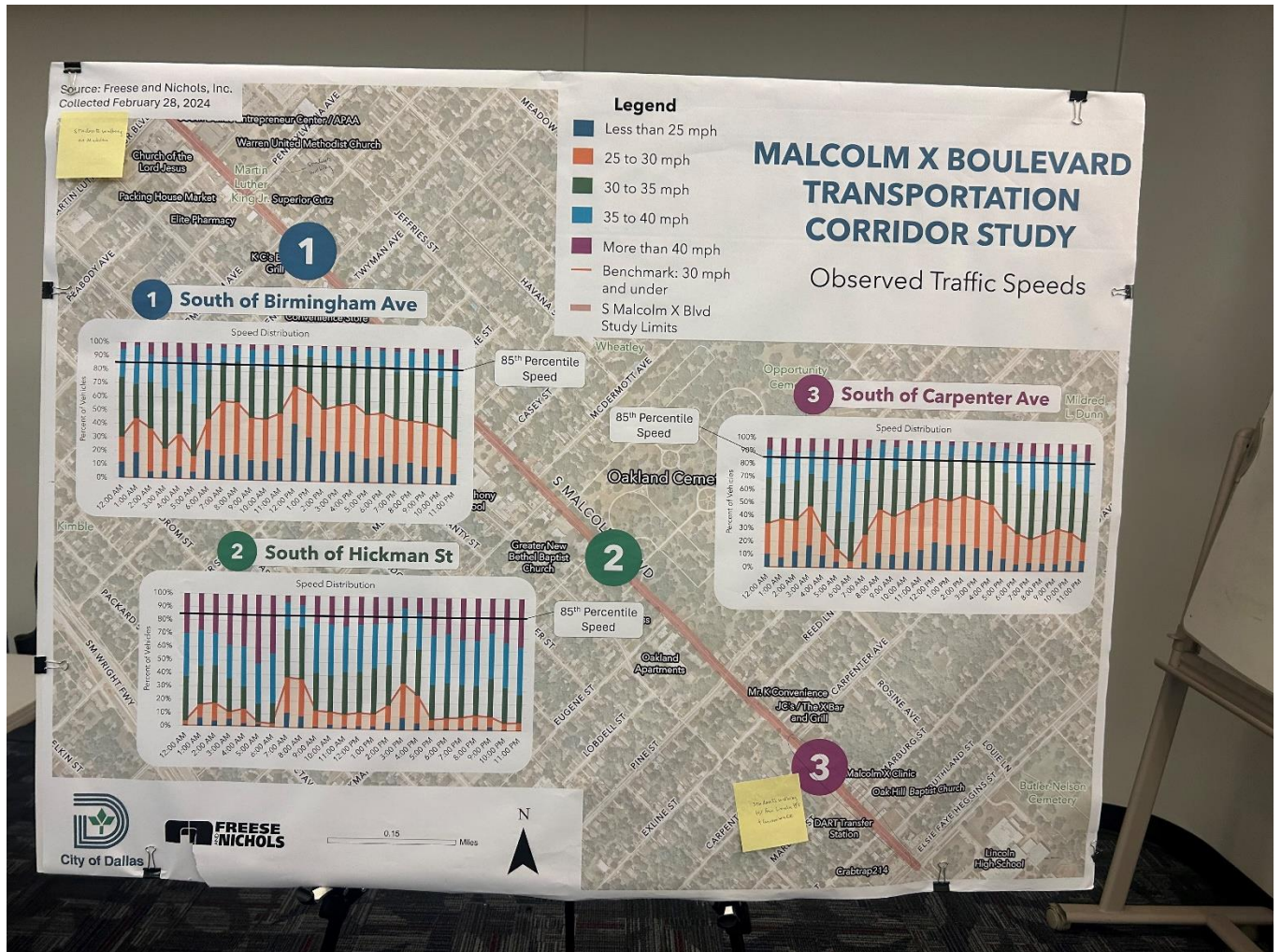


Table 12 – Comments on Malcolm X Corridor Study Observed Traffic Speeds Board

Location	Comment
General / No specific location	Students walking on Madison.
Malcolm X Boulevard between Carpenter Avenue and Elsie Faye Heggins Street	Students walking to/from Lincoln HS + convenience.

### Comment Form

**Project Name:** Malcolm X Corridor Study

**Date of Meeting:** July 13, 2024

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

Street

City

State

Zip Code

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments:**

- should try to get some trees along corridor*
- *Connect w/ Texas Tree Foundation re: planting in South Dallas to address heat island (Parker Rec Urban Forestry)*
  - *Incorporate MLK, Jr. Study w/ Malcolm X Study*
  - *How do you can the Corridor Study support a live, work, play community on Malcolm X*
  - *Have you convened a meeting w/ Business Owners*
  - *The Bike Community voice is lost in discussions?*

**Mail Comments to:**

City of Dallas, Department of Transportation

1500 Marilla Street, L1BS

Dallas, Texas 75201

*due to fear of bike lanes stimulating gentrification*

*◦ Are you working w/ Planning Dept re: SDFP Area Plan?*

**Email Comments to:** [DDOTPlanning@Dallas.gov](mailto:DDOTPlanning@Dallas.gov)

*◦ ~~has walk parking impact~~ ~~community~~ How can on-street parking be considered to support small business.*

Image 7 – Comment Form #2

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**Project Name:** Malcolm X Corridor Study

**Date of Meeting:** July 13, 2024

**Name:** <sup>~20 yo</sup> male, drives Malcolm X corridor often

**Mailing Address:** notes recorded by Kevin St. Jacques  
Street City State Zip Code

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments:** if people are driving above speed limit on  
Malcolm X, why not increase the speed limit  
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