Concepts for Pressler Road Extension

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Project Area



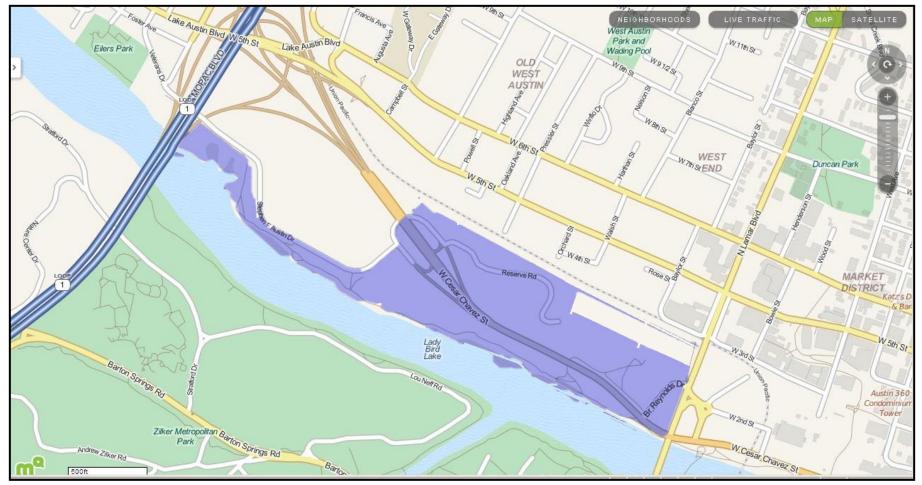
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Issues

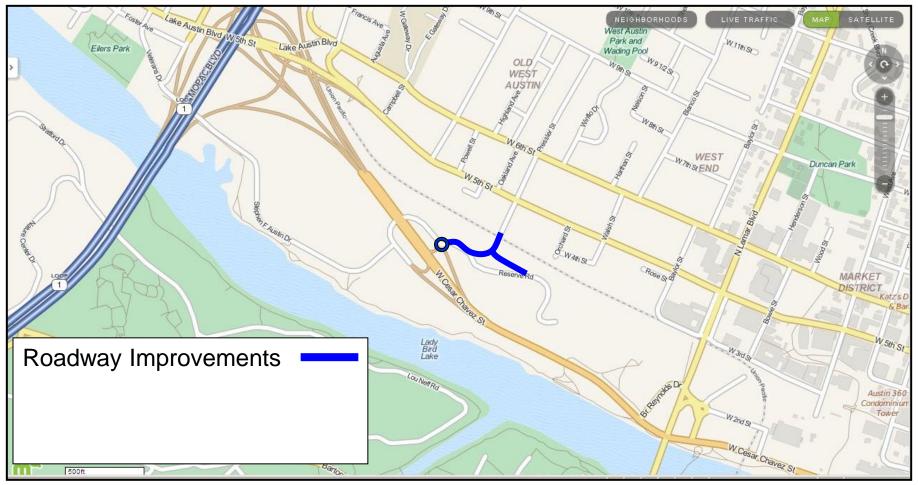
- Lamar Beach
 - Isolated from the community
 - Need for Master Planning
 - Lack of parking
- Area Connectivity
 - Bicyclists & Pedestrians
 - MoPac Managed Lanes
- Community
 - Train Horns
 - Proposed development isolated
 - Need for context sensitive designs

Improvement Concepts

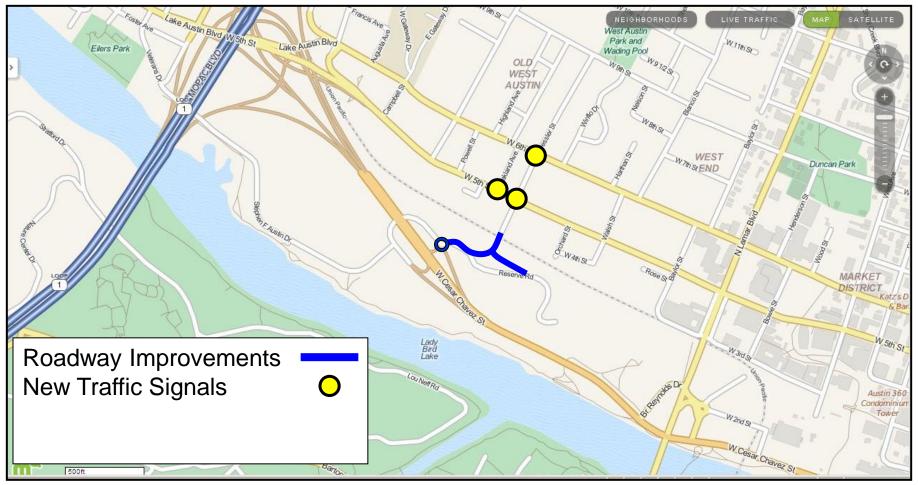
- Pressler Road Extension
 - Context-sensitive design
 - Serves all roadway users
 - Provides area connectivity
 - Allows for creation of railroad quiet zone
 - Complimentary to future master planning efforts
 - Supports partnership with future development
 - Enables future parking management strategies



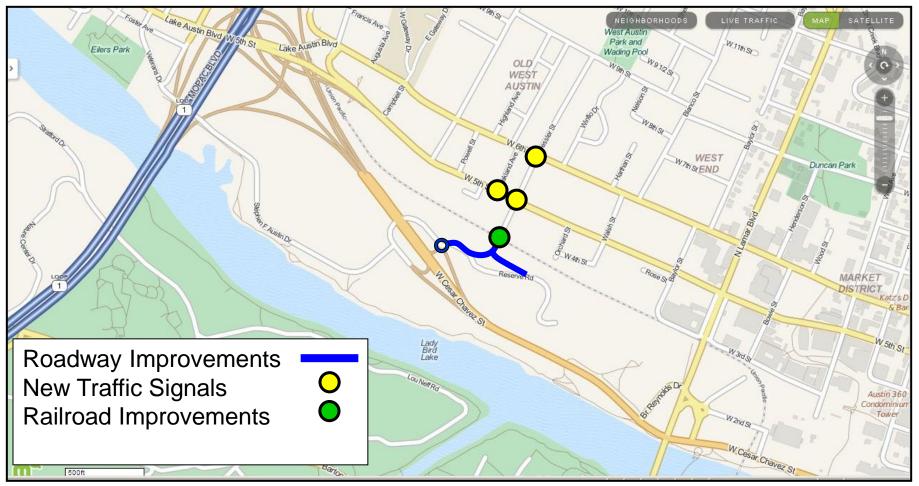
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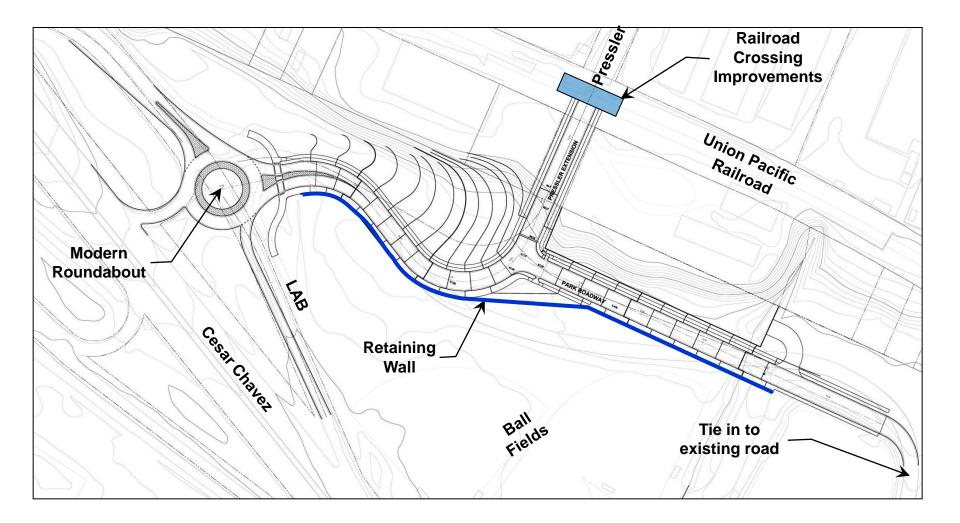
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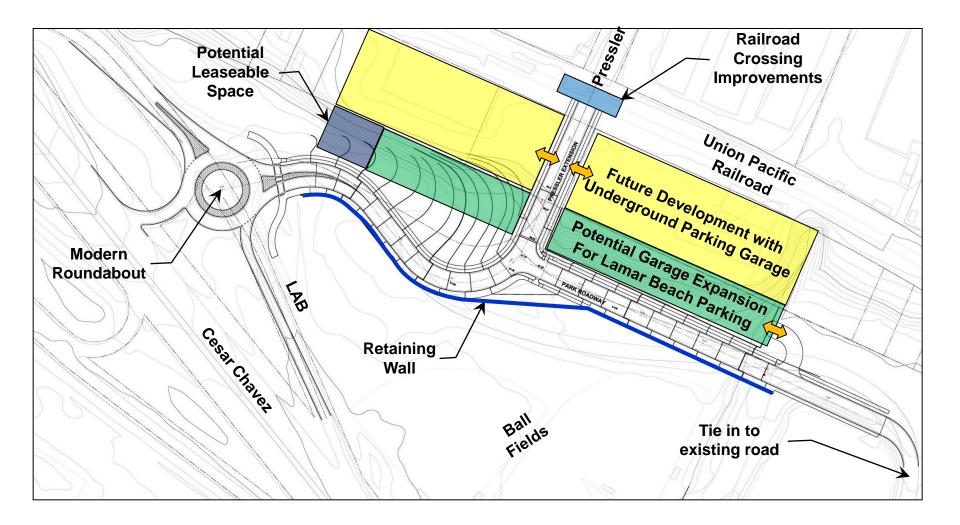


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Implementation Strategy

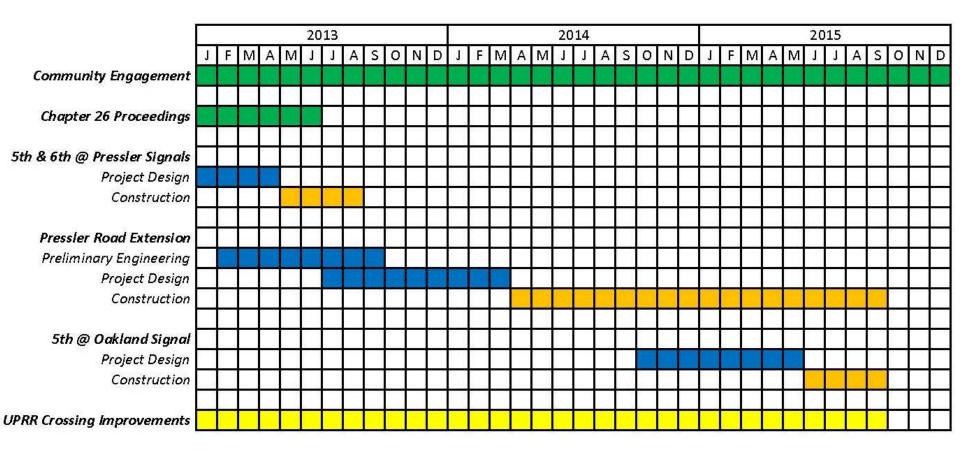
- Funding
 - 5th & 6th @ Pressler Signals
 - Pressler Extension
 - 5th @ Oakland Signal
 - UPRR Crossing
- Total Budget

\$0.2M (2010 Bond) \$3.0M (2012 Bond) \$0.1M (2012 Bond) \$0.5M (2012 Bond)

\$3.7M

Implementation Strategy

• Preliminary Timelines



Implementation Strategy

- Next Steps
 - Continue Chapter 26 process
 - Continue refining implementation strategy
 - Engage design engineer (In process)
 - Engage UPRR for crossing improvements (In process)
 - Meetings with stakeholders at milestones/upon request

Pressler Road Extension Benefits

- Lamar Beach
 - Connection to the community
 - Complimentary to future master planning efforts
 - Enables future parking management strategies
- Area Connectivity
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 - Allows for future Railroad Quiet Zone
 - Supports partnership with future development
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