

Colorado Conversion to Two-Way Traffic

Urban Transportation Commission

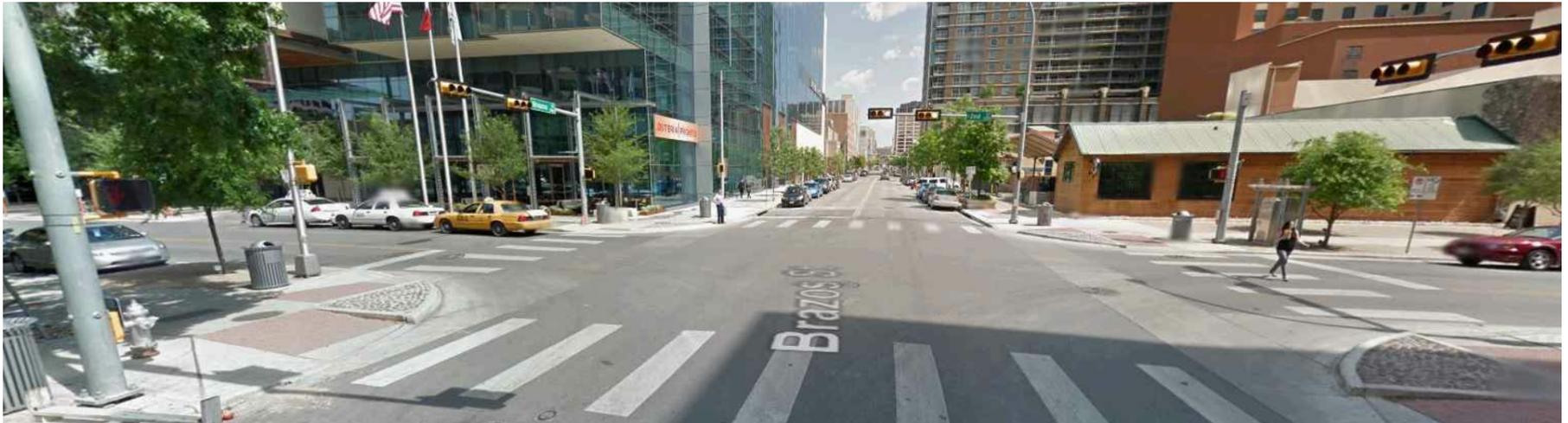
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History

- 2002 – Downtown Austin Mobility Plan
 - Modeled entire grid
 - Colorado & Brazos highest ranked for conversion after Cesar Chavez
- 2006 – Cesar Chavez converted to 2-way
- 2011 – Downtown Austin Plan
 - Adopted by Council
 - Also recommended 2-way streets
- 2015 – Brazos converted to 2-way
 - From Cesar Chavez to East 6th St
 - Conversion went very smoothly
 - No appreciable increase in delays

Proposed Conversion

- Colorado will be 2-way from Cesar Chavez to 9th St
- 9th St to 10th St will remain one way southbound
 - The Governor's Mansion and DPS raised concerns
 - We hope to find a solution in the near future and finish the conversion
- Colorado will be one lane in each direction
- Left turn lanes will be maintained at 5th, 6th, and 7th



Project Goals & Impacts

- The conversion will improve mobility and traffic flow through Downtown Austin
- The project provides an additional north-south corridor for improved access and flexibility to destinations along Colorado
- Traffic signs, markings, and signals will be modified to accommodate the conversion
- Minimal impacts to on-street parking will result
- ATD will work with garage operators to ensure that traffic flow in and out of adjacent garages is accommodated

Timeline

- Colorado reconstruction began in 2015
- Project moving toward completion in Summer 2017
 - July 26th – DAA organized stakeholder meeting
 - Early August – Colorado reconstruction finished
 - Week of August 8th – East 5th St converted to 2-way
 - Late August – Colorado 2-way conversion



Questions?

