M Street SE Non-Automotive Mobility Planning Project

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OVERVIEW

M Street is a major thoroughfare that runs for approximately 1.7 miles from 6th Street SW near The Wharf across South Capitol Street to 11th Street SE at Washington Navy Yard, connecting two of the District's fastest growing neighborhoods. The current configuration of the street does not serve all modes as well as it should – therefore, the M Street portion of this study will consider long-term improvements for transit, pedestrian, and bicycle and micromobility uses while ensuring a functional corridor for traditional automotive uses.

M Street SE currently has six travel lanes and some on-street parking that could be used more efficiently if they are reallocated for transit uses such as dedicated lanes for buses, bikes, and / or scooters. In 2020, the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) converted one lane in each direction to a Car-Free Lane for bus and bike use during peak travel times. These bus lanes are included as part of the study's existing conditions.







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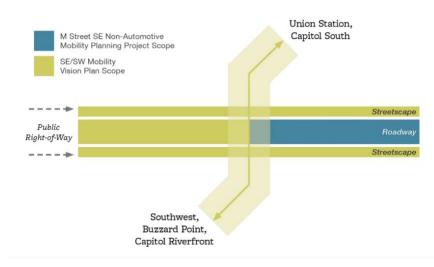
The **Capitol Riverfront Business Improvement District (BID)** was awarded \$100,000 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant from the USDOT which was matched by an additional \$50,000 from DDOT for this planning study. Through a competitive RFP process in Fall 2020, the BID has selected transportation planning firm **Kimley-Horn** as the consultant to lead the project and conduct the planning studies which will benefit from the continued guidance from and coordination with DDOT.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

In partnership with Southwest Business Improvement District (SWBID), the Capitol Riverfront BID has formed the M Street Advisory Committee representing key stakeholders along the corridor, including ANCs and community organizations. Public engagement is planned for each phase of the project (dates TBD). Community members and stakeholders are encouraged to provide comments through these public engagement points and can reach out to BID staff listed below with additional questions and comments.

PROJECT GOALS

- 1. Create 30% design plans for M Street SE between South Capitol Street and 11th Street which will incorporate the existing Car-Free bus lanes while adding protected micromobility (bike/scooter) lanes
- 2. Create a safer environment for all street users by making M Street SE more pedestrian and transit friendly



TIMELINE

The project will take place in three phases throughout 2021:

Ideas	Concepts	Preferred Concept
Phase 1: January 2021 - March	Phase 2: April - November	Phase 3: December 2021
 Corridor Walk / Ride / Bike Survey Brainstorm and Develop Concepts for M Street SE Micromobility Lane Engagement Phase 1 	 Two Preliminary Concepts for M Street SE Micromobility Lane Engagement Phase 2 	 Final 30% Design for M Street SE Mobility Lane Engagement Phase 3

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