## Community Meeting June 18, 2009

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#### Agenda

- Austin Street Area
  - At-Grade Alternative
  - Retain Underpass Alternative
- Sullivan Square Preliminary Alternatives
- Community Discussion



### Typical Project Development Process

- Transportation Study
- Preliminary Design
- Current Step

- 25% Design
- Final Design (100%) and Bid Drawings
- Phased Construction
- Long Term Maintenance



### Scope and Work Products

#### STEP 1: Existing Conditions / Project Goals

- Inventory Transportation, Development and Open Space Projects
- Identify Design Objectives

#### **STEP 2: Alternatives Evaluation**

- Develop and Evaluate Conceptual Alternatives
- Identify Potential Development and Open Space Parcels
- Select Preferred Conceptual Design

#### STEP 3: Preliminary Design

- Develop Preliminary Roadway & Parcel Design
- Parking and Access Guidelines Relative to Parcel Use
- Develop Cost Estimates and Phasing Strategies



## Project Schedule

	Fall 2008	Spring 2009	Summer/ Fall 2009
Establish Design Principles & Identify Conceptual Alternatives			
Analyze, Review & Select Conceptual Design			
Review of Preliminary Design			

## Project Funding

- \$600,000 in City of Boston funding for design to leverage federal dollars
- Initial earmarks for design and early phase construction (\$13 million)
- Accepted as Major Infrastructure Project in State's long range plan (potential \$100 million)
- Potential for public/private partnerships with developers



## Austin Street Area





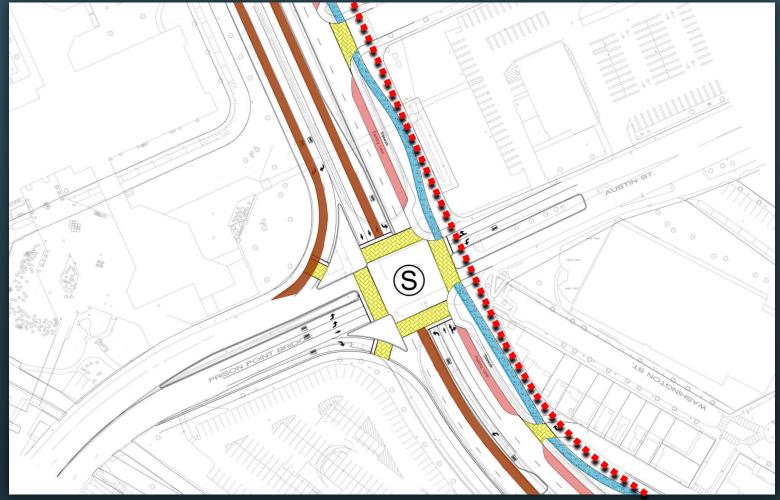




















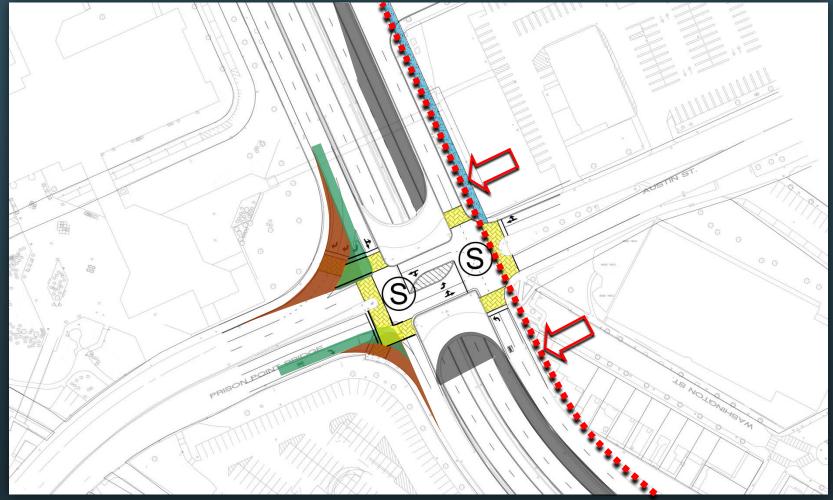














## Austin Street – At Grade Alternative

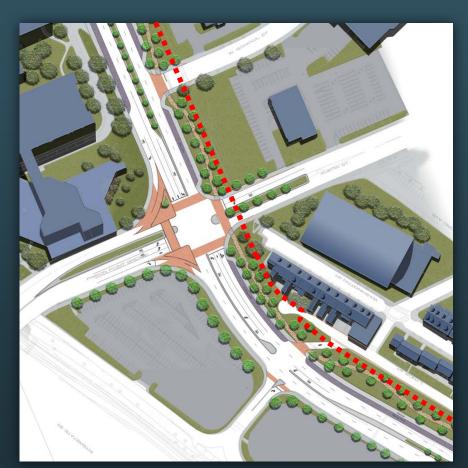


Austin Street – Retain Underpass Alternative

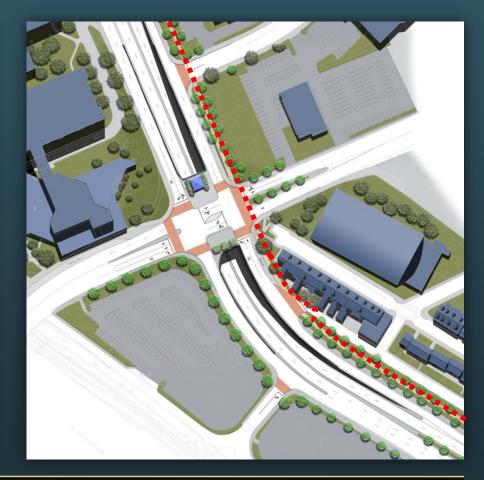


## Austin Street – Comparison

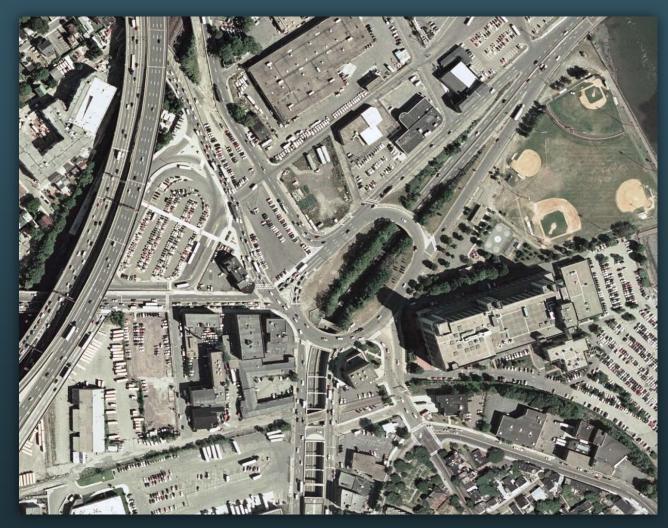
At Grade Alternative



**Retain Underpass Alternative** 



## Sullivan Square



### Sullivan Square – Project Goals

- Improve pedestrian connections between community and Sullivan Square Station
- Create public/open space
- Provide opportunities for appropriate development
- Decrease congestion by distributing traffic
- Protect Main Street from cut-through traffic

# Sullivan Square – Layout Options

	Separated Main and Maffa	Combined Main and Maffa
At Grade Road	Option 1	Option 2
Underpass	Option 3	Option 4



At Grade – **Separated Main** and Maffa



At Grade -**Combined Main** and Maffa



Underpass -**Separated Main** and Maffa



Underpass -**Combined Main** and Maffa



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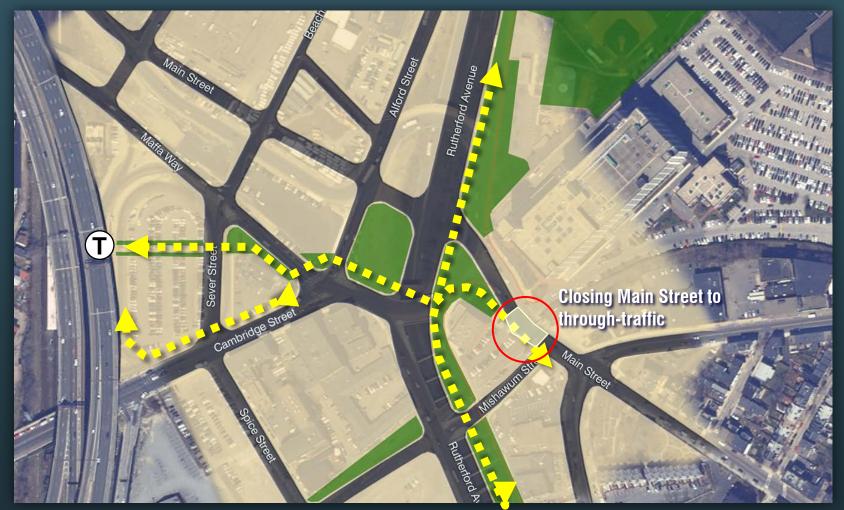
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#### Option 1 - Pedestrian/ Bicycle Access

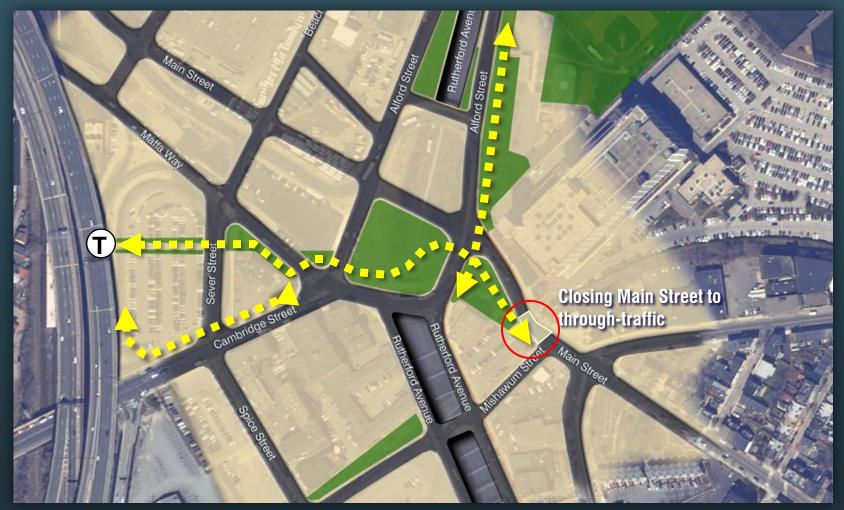




Underpass -**Separated Main** and Maffa



### Option 3 - Pedestrian/ Bicycle Access





#### Pros and Cons of Sullivan Square Options

	PROS		CONS		
	Option 1	Option 3	Option 1	Option 3	
	At grade	Underpass	At grade	Underpass	
Open Space Corridor	Continuous open space corridor along the neighborhood's edge			Underpass constrains the creation of an open space corridor south of Sullivan Square	
Sullivan	New Sullivan Square, comparable in size to 2/3 of City Square	New Sullivan Square, comparable in size to City Square			
Bikes	Good pedestrian and bicycle connections	Good pedestrian and bicycle connections			
Circulation	Circulation disperses traffic, provides opportunity for bus lanes	Circulation disperses traffic, provides opportunity for bus lanes			
Traffic Speed	Slows down traffic on Rutherford Avenue			Does not slow vehicle speeds on Rutherford Avenue	



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