



STREET TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

MIDTOWN CORE

TRANSPORTATION STUDY

PUBLIC MEETING

May 7, 2026



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- Streets PHX logo and "STREET TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT" text.
- "Thank You for Watching"
- "Tips for Using Webex"
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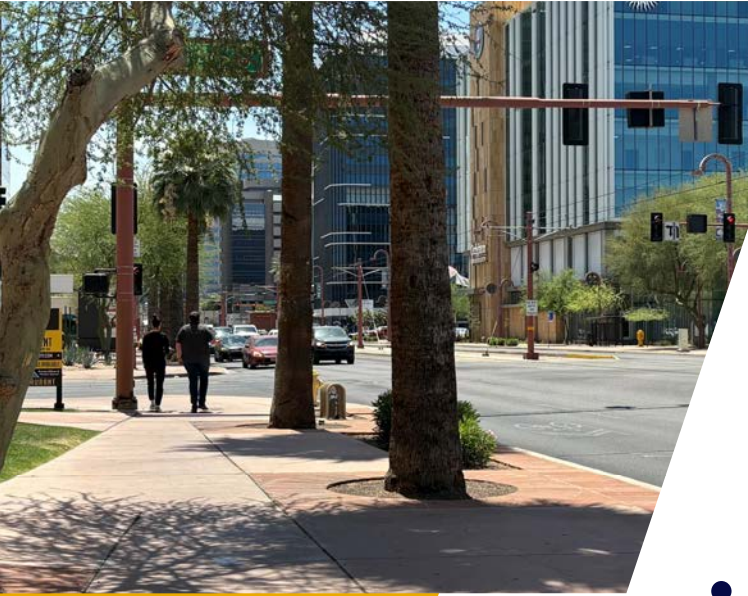
- A "Chat" header with a dropdown arrow, circled in red.
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- A "To:" dropdown menu set to "Host".
- An input field labeled "Enter chat message here" with a yellow arrow pointing to it.
- A "Q & A" header with a dropdown arrow, circled in red.
- A "Select a question and then type your answer" prompt with a yellow arrow pointing to it.
- A note: "There's a 512-character limit."
- "Send" and "Send Privately" buttons.
- A "Participants" button and a "Chat" button, both circled in red.

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Welcome

Matt Wilson
Assistant Director
Street Transportation Department





Speakers



- **Mike Dwyer** - City of Phoenix, Project Manager
- **Jennifer Pangborn** - Consulting Project Manager
- **Jessica Parks** – Consulting Public Involvement Manager

Agenda

1. Study Overview & Purpose
2. Existing Conditions
3. Study Methods & Recommendations
4. Opportunities for Public Input
5. Question & Answer Session





Study Overview & Purpose



- Study Overview
- Study Goals
- Key Study Elements

Study Overview

The study will explore ways to enhance safety, improve mobility and strengthen connectivity with:

- >> Recent traffic analysis,
- >> New growth projections,
- >> Review of previous studies,
- >> And public insights.

Study area:

- >> 19th Avenue to 16th Street
- >> McDowell Road to Dunlap Avenue



LEGEND

- Study Boundary
- Canals
- Light Rail Station
- Park and Ride
- Parks
- Reverse Lanes
- Continuous Bike Lanes

Study Goals

Some goals of the study include:

- Comparing capacity and connectivity to projected travel demand.
- Identifying opportunities in the area's future transportation network.
- Recommending additional strategies or projects necessary to improve networks.



Key Study Elements

- **Collect Data and Evaluate Existing Conditions**
👤 Includes public input opportunity

- **Review Growth Projections and Future Development**

- **Develop and Analyze Scenarios and Improvements**
👤 Includes public input opportunity

- **Summarize Analysis, Findings and Input**





Existing Conditions

- Previous Studies & Analysis
- Historic Trends & Projected Growth
- Network Overview & What We Know
- Traffic Conditions
- Multimodal Conditions



Previous Studies & Analysis



City of Phoenix Studies

- Planned Capital Improvements
- Complete Street Policy
- Vision Zero Road Safety Action Plan
- 2021 Reversible Lane Study



Peer Agency Studies

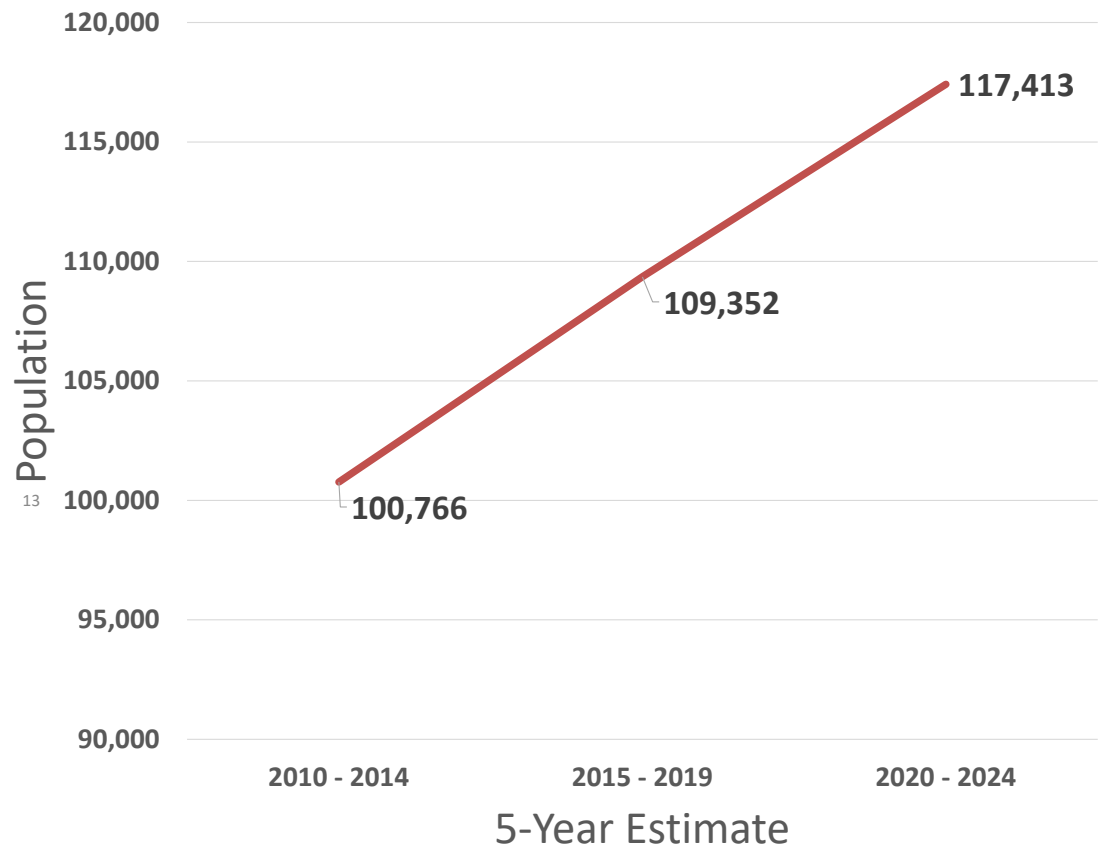
- Reimagine Nicholasville Road Study
- District DOT Reversible Lane Safety & Operations Study
- Seattle DOT Aurora Avenue North Corridor Planning Study
- Strong Towns Phoenix Crash Analysis

Historic Trends & Projected Growth

Population Trends

- The population has increased by 16.5% over the past 15 years.
- The Midtown Core includes a higher concentration of residents aged 25 – 44 and 70+ as compared to Phoenix overall.

Population in Midtown Phoenix Study Area
American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates



Network Overview & What We Know

117,400 +
Residents

Strong grid
system

Major
employment
centers

5,000 +
Businesses

Valley Metro Bus
and Light Rail

Schools and
Residences

Comprehensive
sidewalk
infrastructure

Live, work, and
travel through

Developing
bicycle
infrastructure



Traffic Conditions

Major east-west corridors

- Carry high volumes
- Efficient connections to State Route (SR) 51 and I-17

Congestion

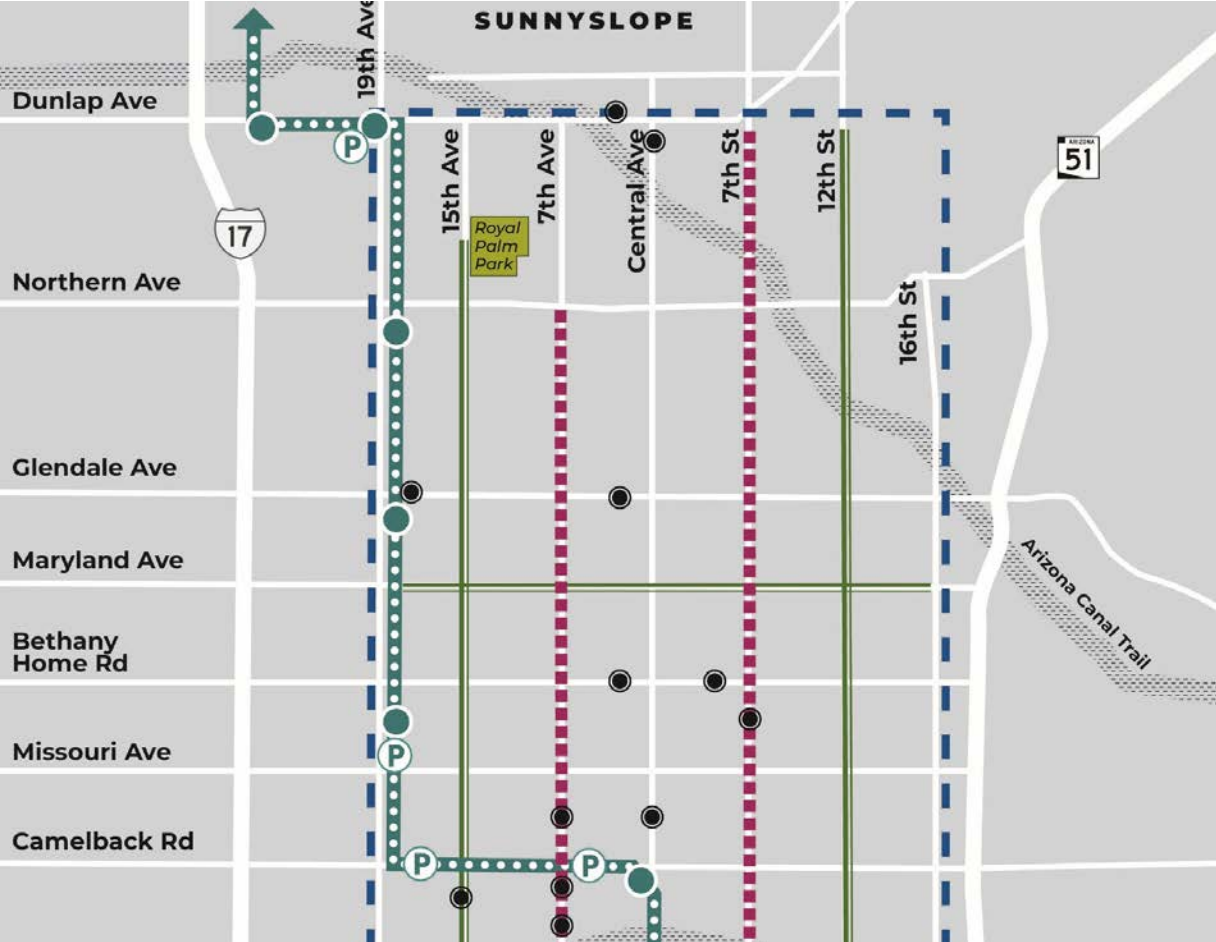
- Peak periods, especially PM
- Experienced at major signalized intersections

Reversible Traffic Lanes

- Add capacity during peak periods (6-9 AM & 4-6 PM)
- Restrict turning movements at intersections
- 7th Street and 7th Avenue create parallel movements for SR 51 and I-17



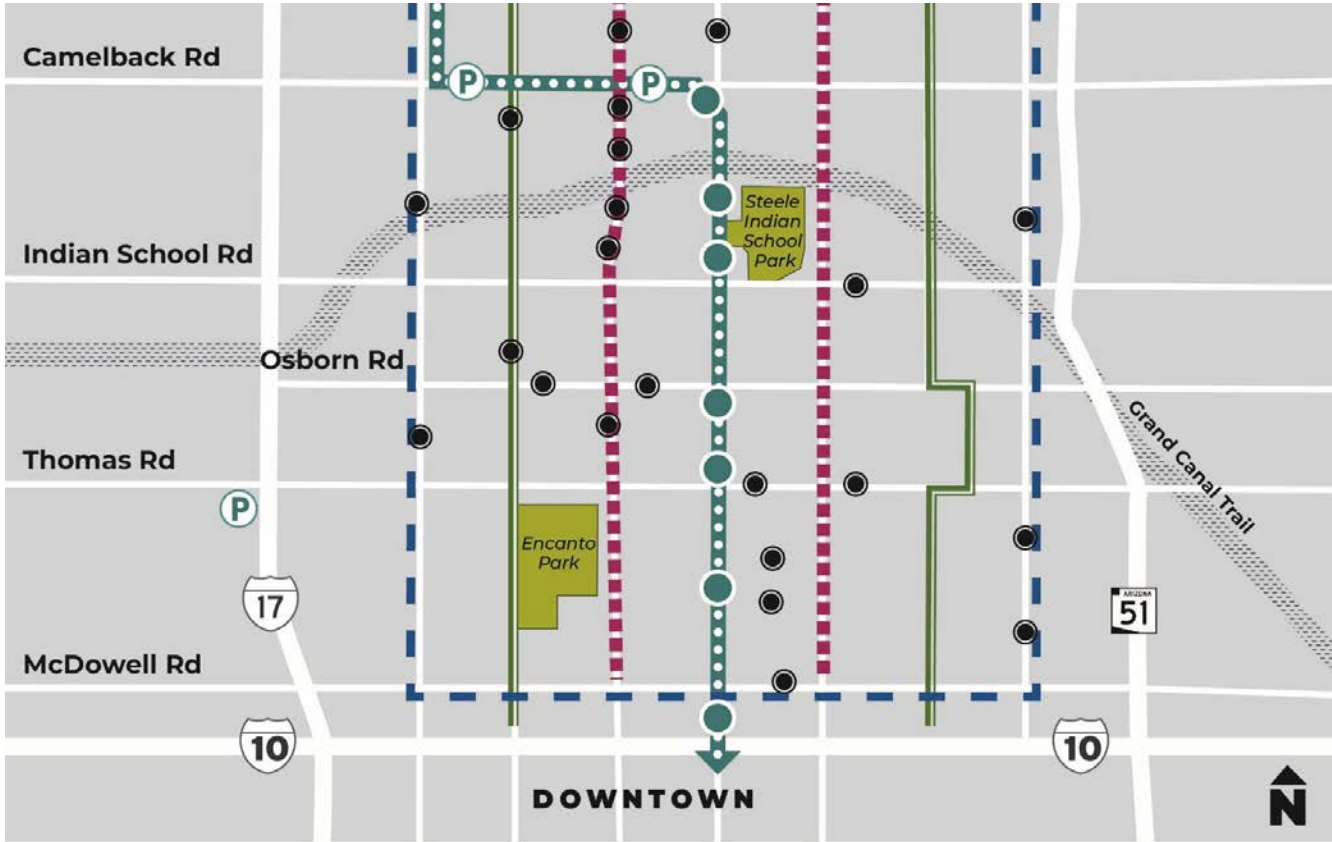
Multimodal Conditions (North)



LEGEND

- Study Boundary
- Light Rail Station
- HAWK Crosswalk
- ⋯ Valley Metro Light Rail
- Ⓟ Park and Ride
- Parks
- Reverse Lanes
- Continuous Bike Lanes
- ⋯ Canals

Multimodal Conditions (South)



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- ■ ■ Study Boundary
- Valley Metro Light Rail
- Parks
- Reverse Lanes
- ▨ Canals
- Light Rail Station
- Park and Ride
- Continuous Bike Lanes
- HAWK Crosswalk



Study Methods and Recommendations

- Study Data Collection Strategy
- Potential Study Recommendations

Study Data Collection Strategy

Traffic Counts

Safety and
Crash Data

Online Data

Vehicle Speed
Measurement

Congestion and
Queueing

Lane Utilization

Overall Multimodal Operations



Potential Study Recommendations

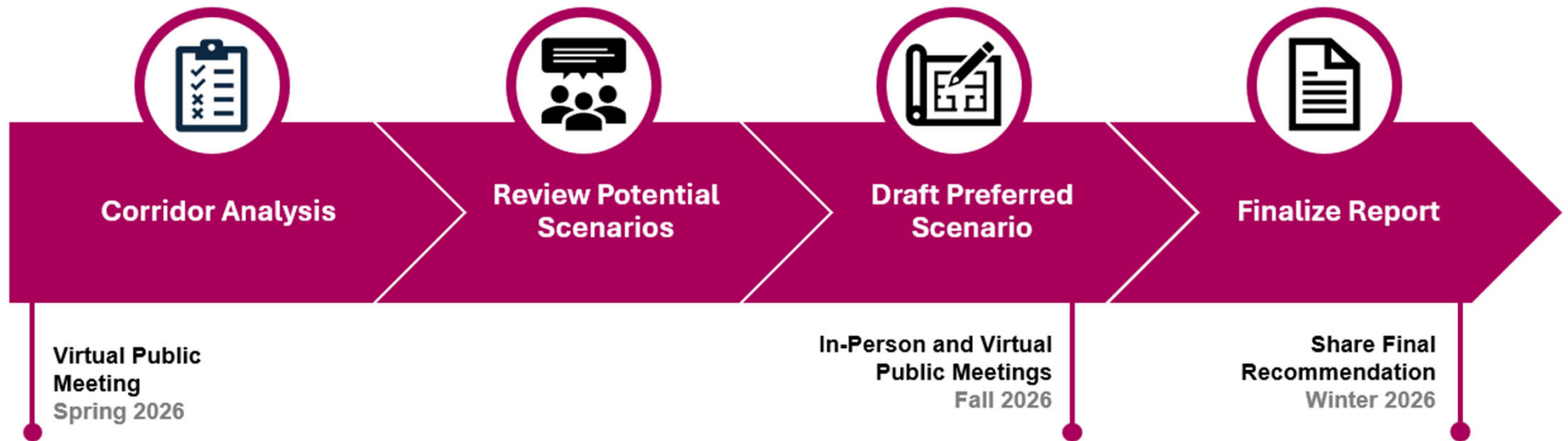
- Safety and mobility enhancements
- Street improvements
- Traffic distribution and network improvements
- New traffic operations policies and/or incorporating new technology
- Modifications, improvements and/or potential removal of reversible traffic lanes

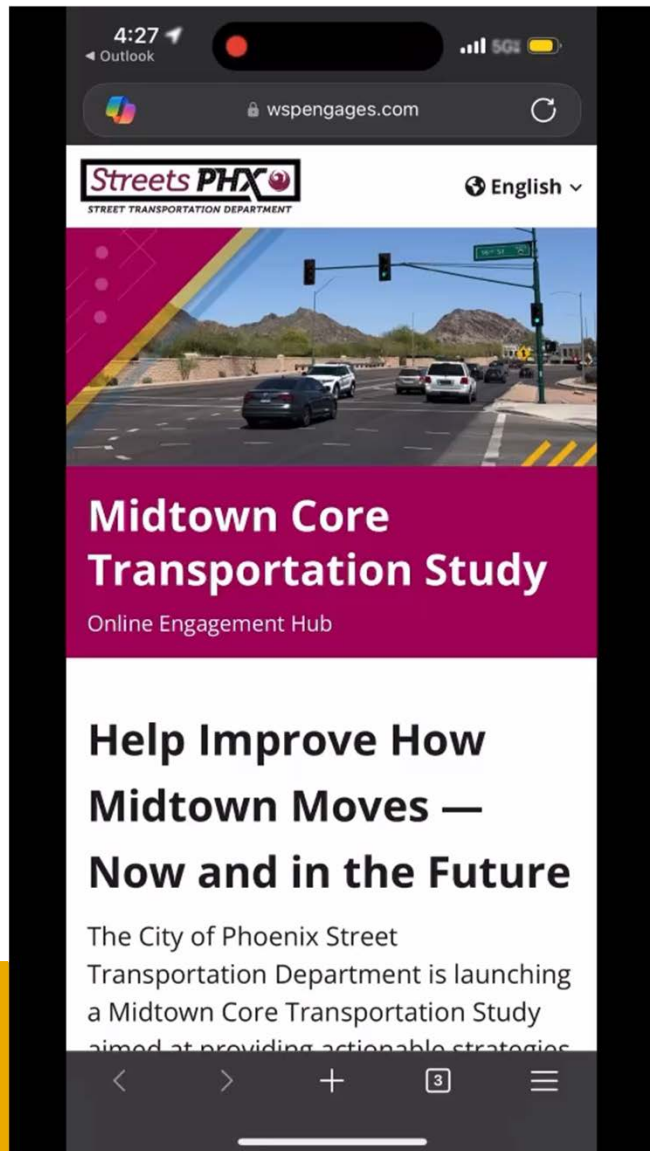




Opportunities for Public Input

Study Timeline





Your Experience and Insights

Activity 1: Opinion Survey

- How do you currently travel within the Midtown Core
- How you'd like to travel in the future.

Activity 2: Community Map

- Add your own marker(s) and “like” other public comments
- Mobile, desktop or tablet friendly



Thank You!

- Ask a question or leave a comment at today's meeting
- Submit your online survey by May 29, 2026

Learn more:



phoenix.gov/Streets/MidtownCore