



US Highway 24

Public Input and Design Review Meeting



Town of Buena Vista
March 16, 2012

Agenda for Tonight's Meeting

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- Welcome! Meeting 6-8pm
- What is the Corridor Plan
- Long Term Goal
- What has been done so far
- Steps to get to our Goal
- Review last meeting
- Presentation of Designs from Feb 15th Meeting
- Group Discussion

What is the Corridor Plan

- The Corridor Plan is a guiding document for the overall design of the Highway Corridor. It includes:
 - An overall goal
 - An assessment of current conditions
 - A traffic analysis
 - Gateways
 - Signage and Way finding
 - Corridor Design and Cross Sections
 - Possible Access Management Plan

What has been done so far?

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- Four Public Visioning Meetings in 2011
 - Sidewalks
 - Bike lanes
 - Landscaping
 - Better turn lanes
 - Medians at crosswalks for pedestrian refuge
 - Intersection improvements
 - Possible roundabouts at North and South entrances to Town
- Public Input Design Meetings 2012
- Town Staff has met with CDOT officials
- The Town has submitted a request for Federal Transportation Enhancement Funding for improvements to the Highway beginning in 2014



What is the Long Term Goal

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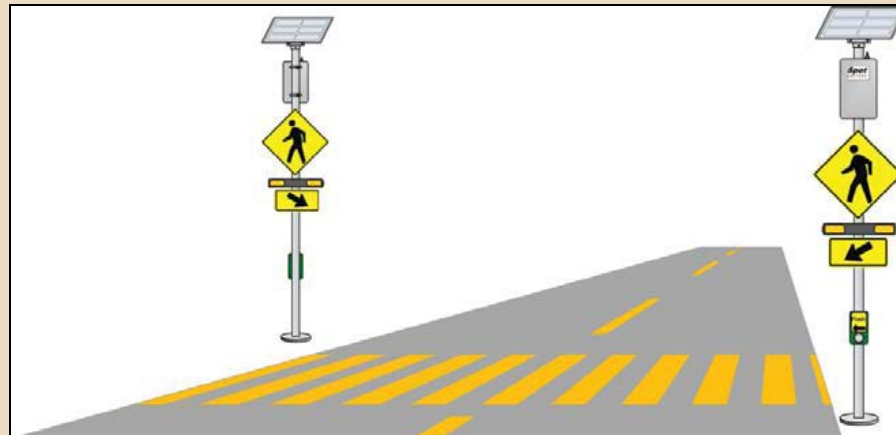
“The installation of highway improvements that have the support of the community that address safety, multimodal transportation, economic vitality, and the beautification of the corridor.”

-Buena Vista Planning and Zoning Commission

Steps to achieve our goal

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- **Phase 1: Crosswalk Enhancement Improvements**
 - New illuminated pedestrian crossing signage and ADA ramps at the existing crosswalks located along the corridor
 - Addresses a major safety concern along the highway in 2011



Steps to achieve our goal

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- **Phase 2: Highway Corridor Plan**
 - Public Meetings through June for the preliminary design of the highway
 - Meetings with individual property owners and community organizations
 - Meetings with CDOT officials
 - CDOT approval in November with the Completion of a traffic study
 - Approval of Plan by P&Z and Board of Trustees December 2012

Steps to achieve our goal

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- **Phase 3: Traffic Study and Access Management Plan**
 - A complete traffic study must be done to determine if the selected design can be implemented along the Highway
 - This will be occurring this year

Steps to achieve our goal

□ **Phase 4: Surveying/Engineering**

- The survey will determine the exact location of CDOT ROW, and will highlight areas where public/private partnerships may need to be established for easements or dedication for extra ROW
- The design of the highway will be engineered and ready for construction by the end of 2013
- This will be when business owners know what exactly is proposed in front of their properties

Steps to achieve our goal

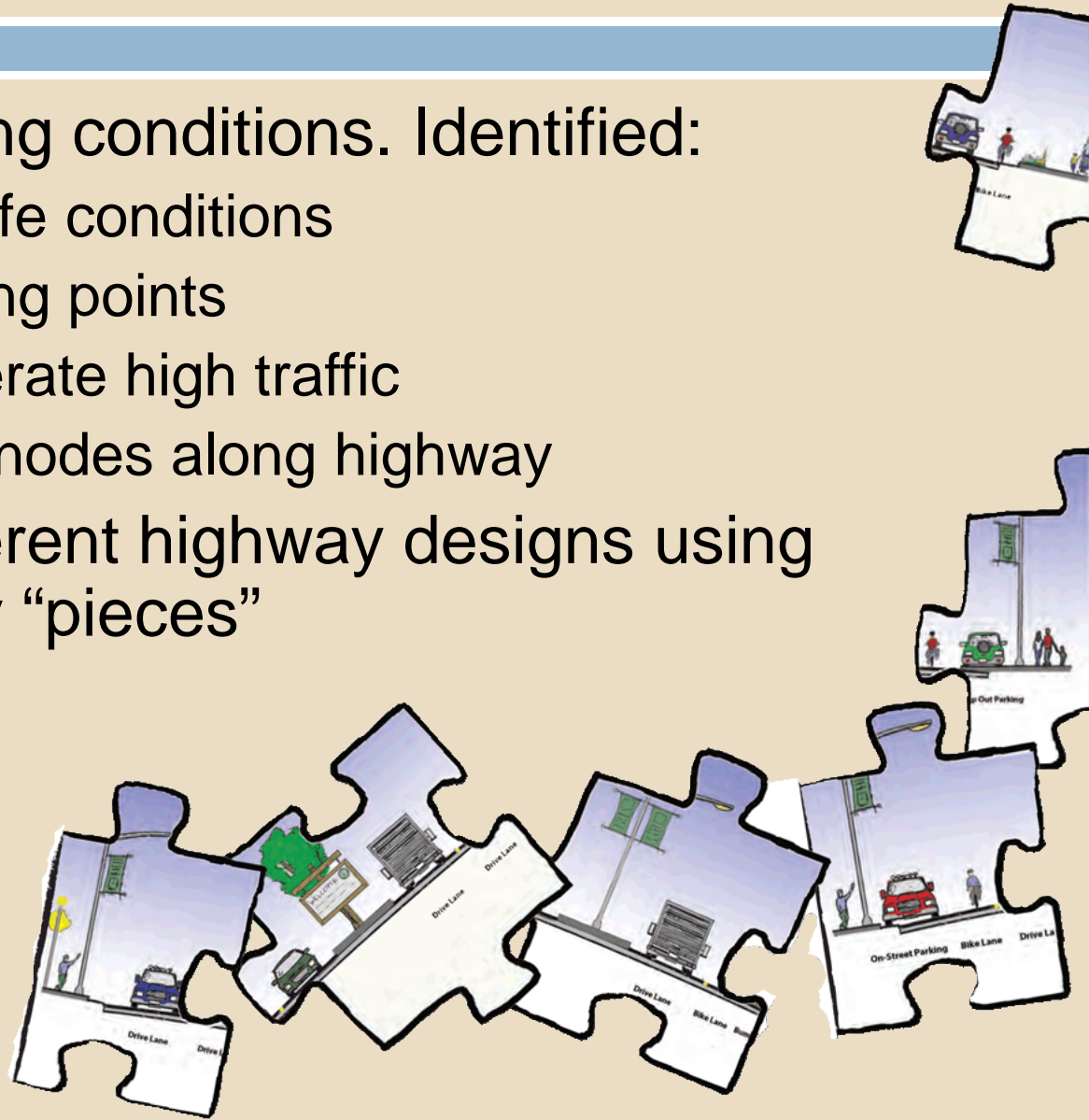
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- **Phase 5: Construction of Highway Improvements**
 - This phase would be carried out from 2014 – 2018
 - This is the construction of improvements on the ground
 - Construction will be phased to allow businesses to remain open for business during construction.

What happened last time?

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- Discussed existing conditions. Identified:
 - ▣ Dangerous/unsafe conditions
 - ▣ Important crossing points
 - ▣ Places that generate high traffic
 - ▣ Other important nodes along highway
- Constructed different highway designs using different highway “pieces”



What did we come up with?

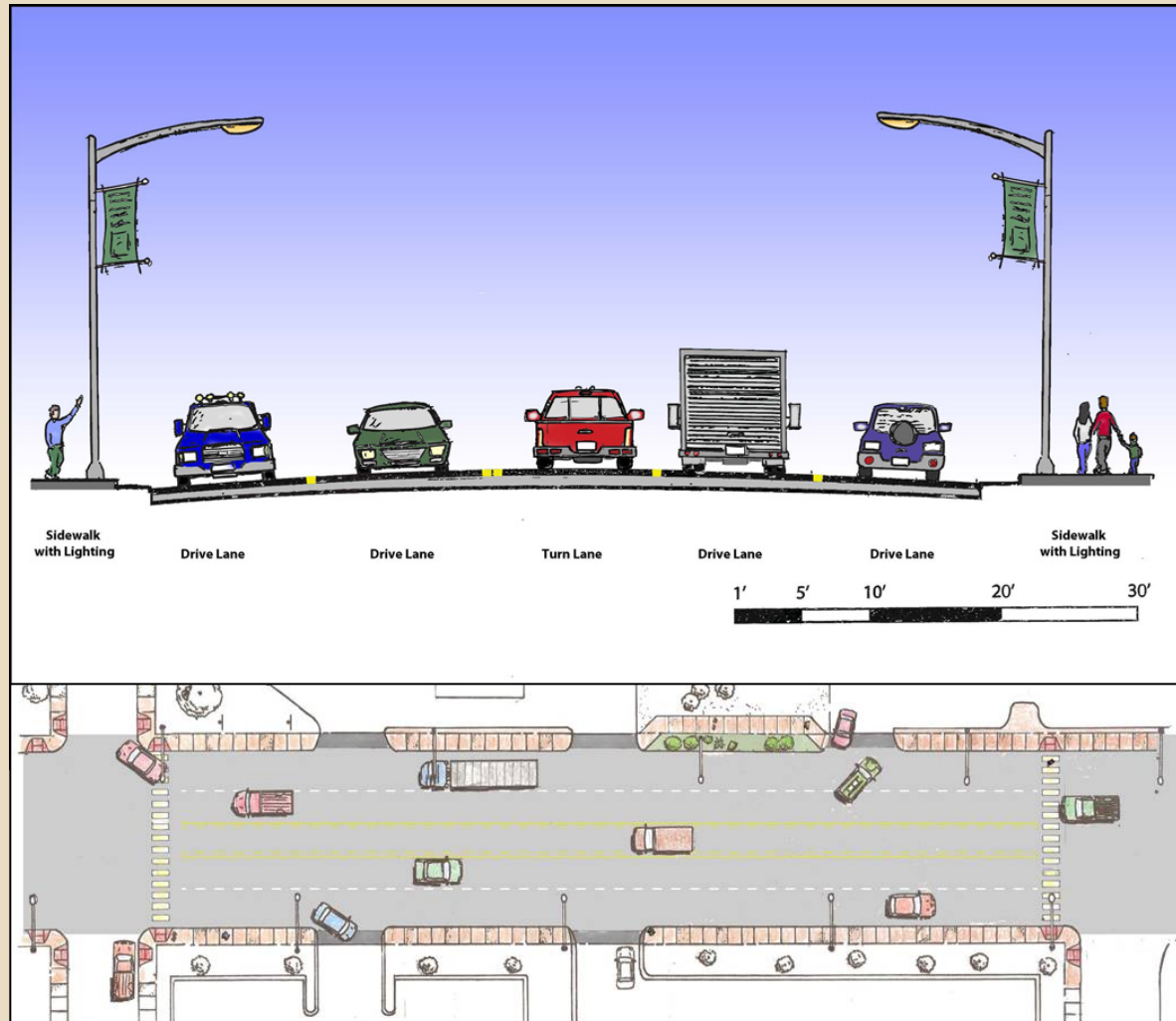
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- The designs and comments led staff to create five designs.
- The designs borrow various elements from the ideas from the previous meeting.
- Keep in mind that these are design **concepts**:
 - ▣ Nothing is final
 - ▣ They are to scale, but they are not engineer

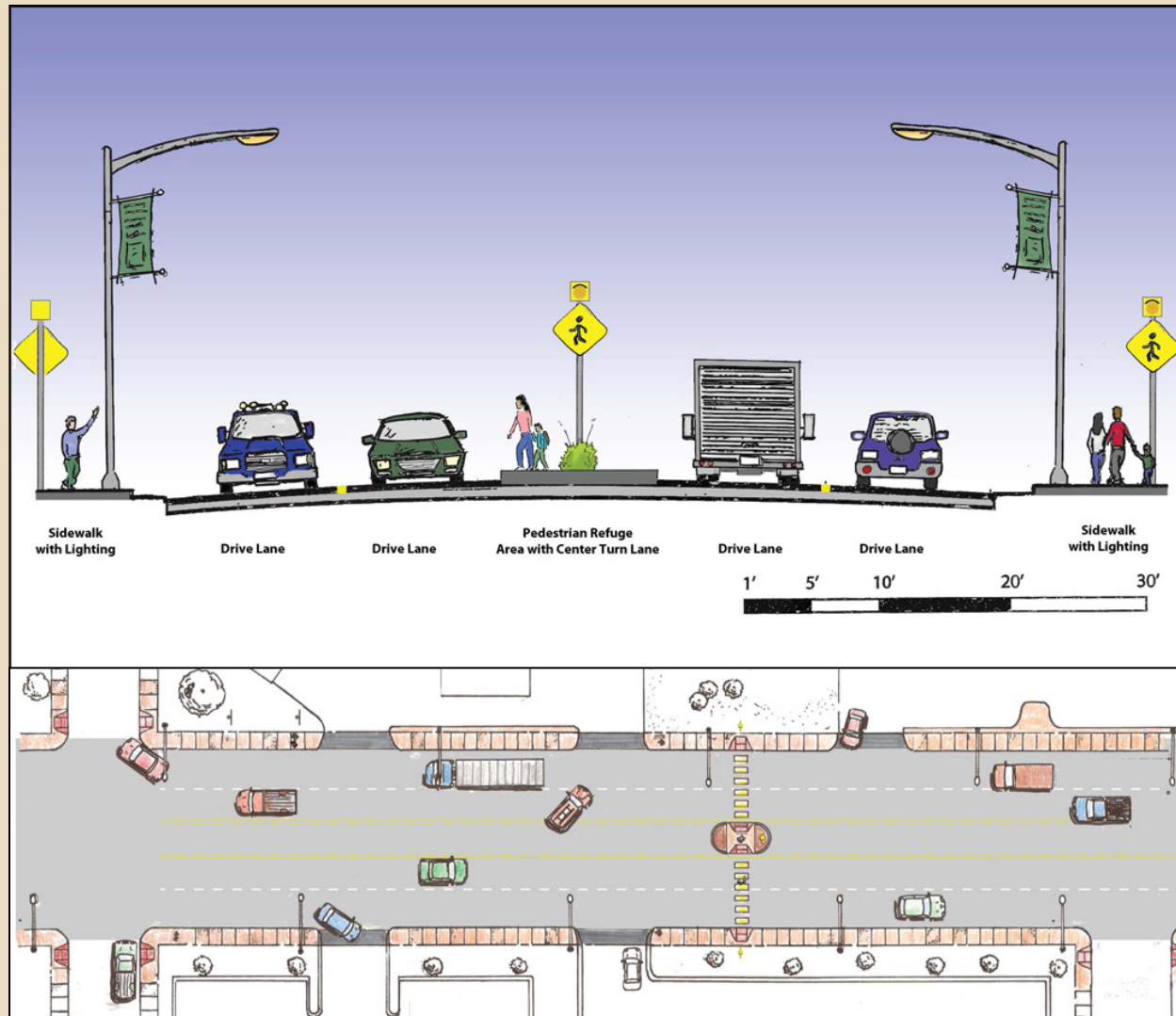


New Access and Sidewalks

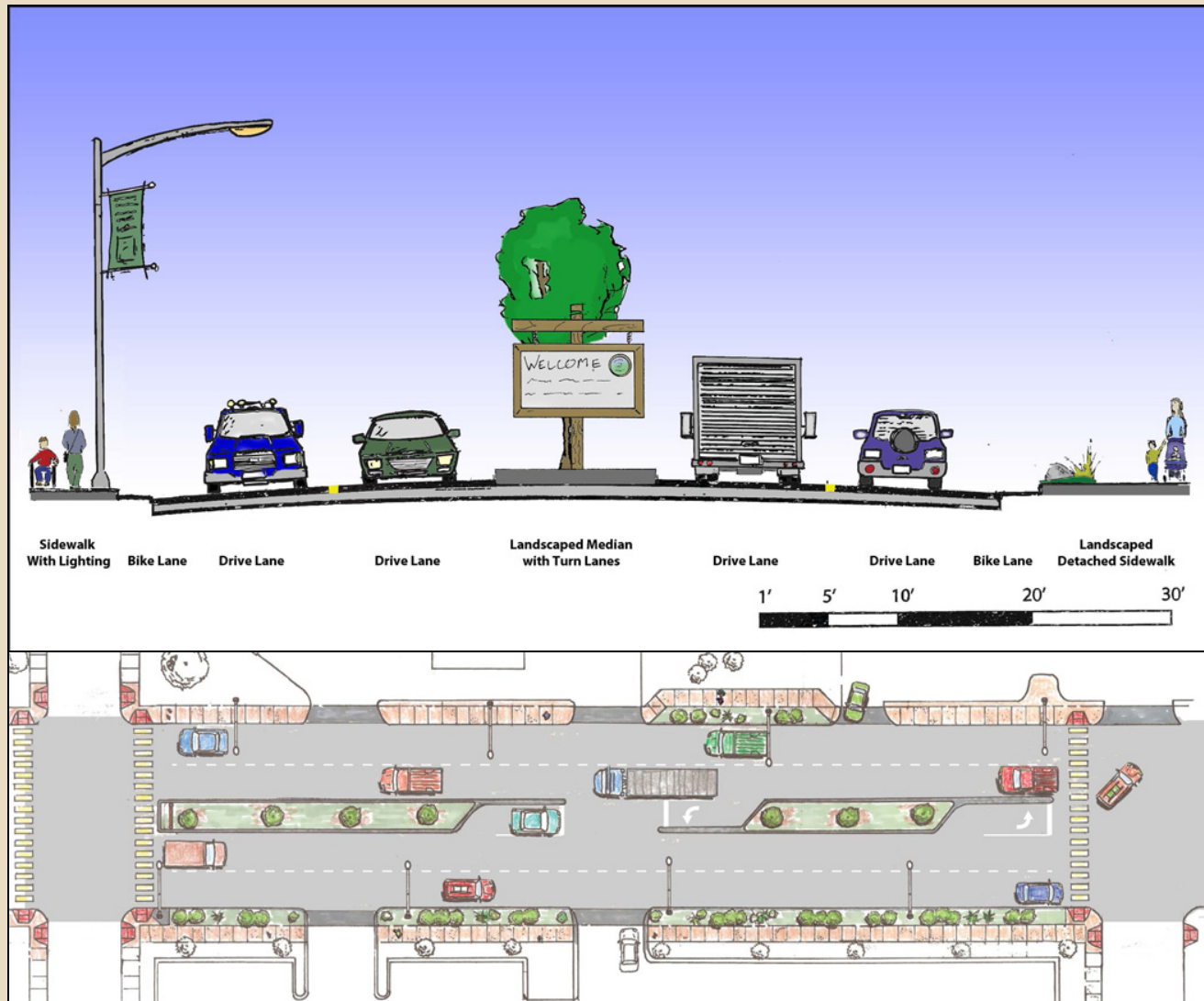
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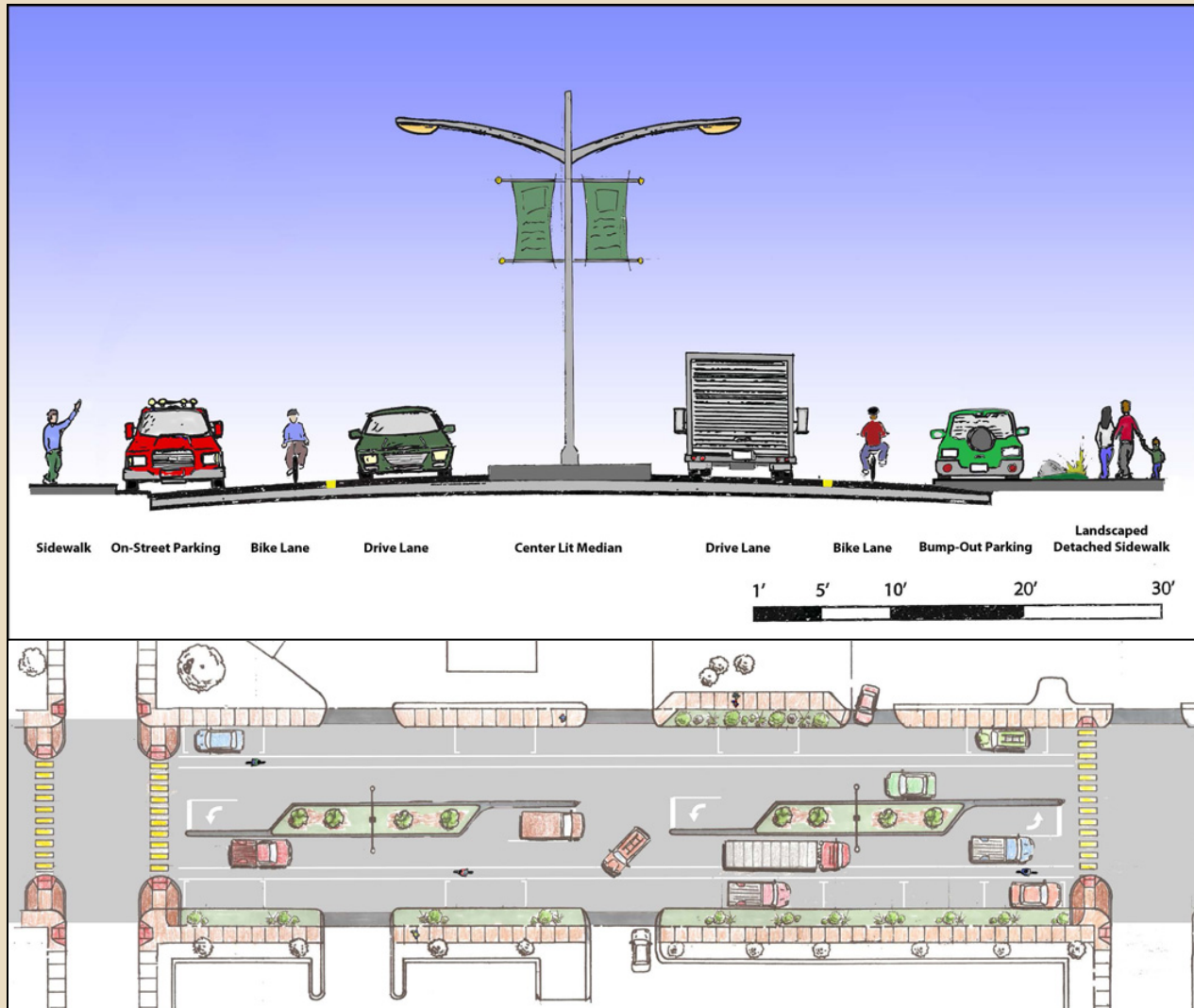
Pedestrian Refuge



Gateway Median



Bump Outs with Median



Large Median with Bike Lanes

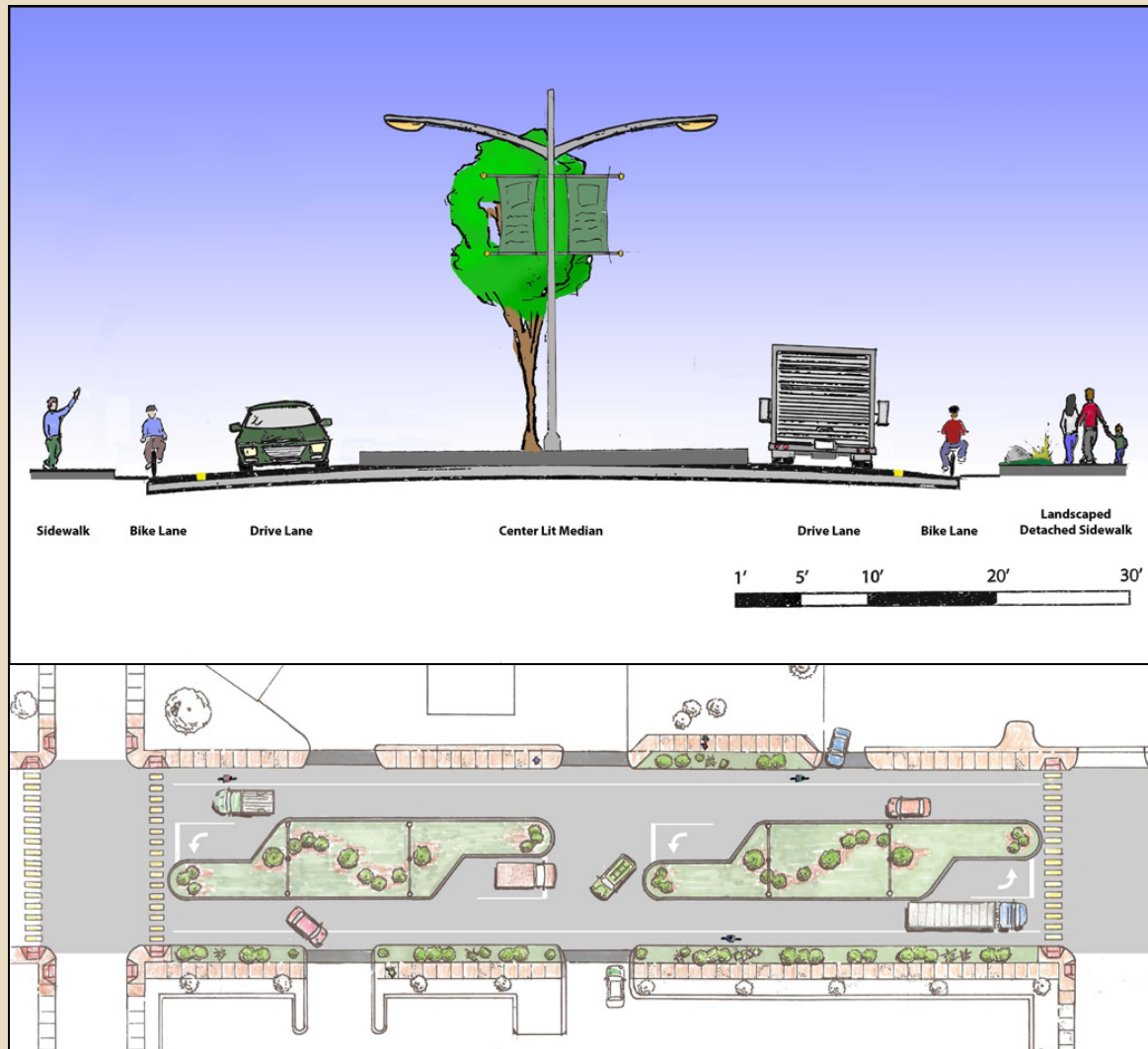


Table Discussion

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- Each table should have a packet containing the designs and a large comment sheet.
- Take 30 minutes to discuss the designs and list Pro's, Con's, and comments on the corresponding sheet.

PRO

CON

Group Discussion

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- What did we come up with?
 - ▣ Which was your favorite?
 - ▣ Least favorite?
 - ▣ Ideas that we missed?

- Lets vote!
 - ▣ Decide among your table which design was the most popular, and which was the second most popular.
 - ▣ Place a Red dot your favorite design, and a green dot on what you think is most feasible second favorite.

Next Steps

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- Staff will bring the most popular designs to CDOT
- Designs will be refined and presented for additional public comment
- The Planning and Zoning Commission and Staff will be visiting with local community organizations and businesses in March and April

Thank You!

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