

THE FUTURE OF DENVER'S 16TH STREET MALL

16TH STREET MALL TIMELINE:

1982

16th Street Mall opens (designed by I.M. Pei Cobb Freed & Partners)

2012

16th Street Mall celebrates 30 year anniversary

2014-2015

RTD and the City of County of Denver launch separate studies on bus lane surface replacement and placemaking on the mall

2017-2018

City, RTD, DURA, BID, FTA and DDP partner to develop, evaluate and select a possible preferred alternative

2022

Construction completed dependent upon the preferred alternative selected







ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS AND ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE



THE 16TH STREET MALL IS A MAJOR ATTRACTION AND THE MOST POPULAR SHOPPING AND ENTERTAINMENT DESTINATION FOR VISITORS TO METRO DENVER



Free RTD MallRide weekday passengers:

45,000

Weekend average 25,000 annually 14,000,000

Annual operating costs:

\$12 million



Downtown workforce: 130,000 people



Street-level businesses on the mall:

200 restaurants and retail



Residential units:

1,241



Hotel rooms: 1400

1400

200 additional summer 2017

Initial project funding will come from tax increment financing (TIF) via Denver Urban Renewal Authority (DURA), as well as the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). TIF funding requires that a design project be identified by 2020 and completed by 2022. If approved by voters, 2017 General Obligation Bonds might also be applied as the project heads into construction.

As a recipient of federal funding, the project must comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). NEPA requires the project's sponsors must identify, consider and mitigate any social and environmental impacts of the proposed action, and provide members of the public the opportunity to review and comment on the project and its potential impacts.

The project could open the door to a variety of design possibilities.











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