Envisioning Beechwood Avenue’s Transportation Future

Public Workshop
June 24, 2015
#BeechwoodVision
Session Schedule

• **7:30pm** Introduction
• **7:45pm** Workshop Breakouts
• **8:40pm** Closing Remarks
• **8:50pm** Feedback on Design Ideas
• **9:00pm** End of Session
Beechwood in the 1940’s
Beechwood Today
Why Beechwood? Why Now?

- Developments are creating opportunities to acquire additional public space
- City needs specific direction to guide discussions on development approvals
- Proactively create a vision for the street to guide its evolution
- Ensure a cohesive and consistent approach to transportation infrastructure
Public Right-of-Way
Beechwood at Charlevoix
Beechwood between MacKay & Crichton
East-West Bikeway
Street Renewal - Churchill Avenue

Before
Street Renewal - Churchill Avenue

Present
Street Renewal - Main Street

Future
Street Renewal - Main Street

Before
Street Renewal - Main Street

Future
Development-Based Upgrade Example

- Bike track
- On-street parking
- Made possible by additional right-of-way space
Today’s Question

What elements should be included on Beechwood to safely accommodate all modes of transportation?
Consider **the elements** to include in the basic structure of the future street:

- Vehicular travel lanes
- Cycling lanes
- Sidewalks
- On-street parking
- Separation elements (i.e. bollards, planters)
Workshop Task

• Arrange and rearrange the lane cut-outs in the blank space provided

• Affix the preferred lanes to the plan for the final design

• Annotate your plan to explain included elements
Your Morning Commute...
Your Ideal Saturday...
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Next Steps

Staff will…

• Compile today’s ideas & suggestions
• Collect feedback over the summer
• Use suggestions to inform a number of feasible configuration options
• Release draft reconfiguration options for comment in the fall
Next Steps

• Identify a preferred road configuration and options for the public right-of-way

• Include the preferred configuration in the City’s Cycling Plan, Transportation Master Plan, and inform the Beechwood Community Design Plan

• Refer to the configuration in the future when Beechwood is eventually reconstructed
Dot Commentary

Tell us what you think of other groups’ designs by placing dot stickers next to different elements:

- Green dots = I think this is great!
- Orange dots = I’m OK with this
- Red dots = I don’t like this
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