



MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF
CONSERVATION AND RECREATION

Welcome!

Birmingham Parkway Feasibility Study

Virtual Public Meeting
March 25, 2021
6:00 PM to 7:30 PM



Meeting Logistics

- Two ways to ask questions during the Q&A portion of the meeting:
 - Raise your hand
 - Use Q&A feature
- You will have the opportunity to submit comments over the course of the next two weeks at:
 - DCR Public Comments
<https://www.mass.gov/forms/dcr-public-comments>
- *Please note that this meeting will be recorded; the recording will be a public record*



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DCR Mission

*To protect, promote, and enhance our
Commonwealth of natural, cultural, and
recreational resources for the well-being of all.*

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Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Purpose and Process
3. Concept Presentation
 - a. Rotary Area
 - b. Boulevard Section
 - c. Market Street intersection
4. Public Comment
5. Next Steps

PURPOSE AND PROCESS

PURPOSE: To improve vehicle, pedestrian and bicyclist safety while also enhancing neighborhood connections, better accommodating all users, and eliminating excessive pavement/increasing public green space.


PROCESS: Site Understanding – Field Review, Data Collection and Assessment

Conceptual Design – In accordance with MassDOT PDDG,
MUTCD and NACTO

Recommendation – Identify the Preferred Alternative for
Advanced Design

STUDY AREA



 = STUDY INTERSECTION

ALTERNATIVES

LEGEND



GREEN SPACE



PROPOSED ROADWAY



PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN/ BIKE FACILITIES



THE “EYE” – ALTERNATIVE 1A



LEGEND

- GREEN SPACE
- PROPOSED ROADWAY
- PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN/ BIKE FACILITIES



- Eliminate weaving
- Increase green space along River

- Expand ped/bike facilities
- Maintain signalization

THE “EYE” – ALTERNATIVE 1B



LEGEND

- GREEN SPACE
- PROPOSED ROADWAY
- PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN/ BIKE FACILITIES



- Eliminate weaving
- Increase green space along River

- Expand ped/bike facilities
- Convert to Roundabouts

THE “EYE” – ALTERNATIVE 1C



LEGEND

- GREEN SPACE
- PROPOSED ROADWAY
- PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN/ BIKE FACILITIES



- Eliminate weaving
- Increase green space along River/
rec use
- Expand ped/bike facilities
- Access to rec use at intersection

THE “EYE” – ALTERNATIVE 1D



LEGEND

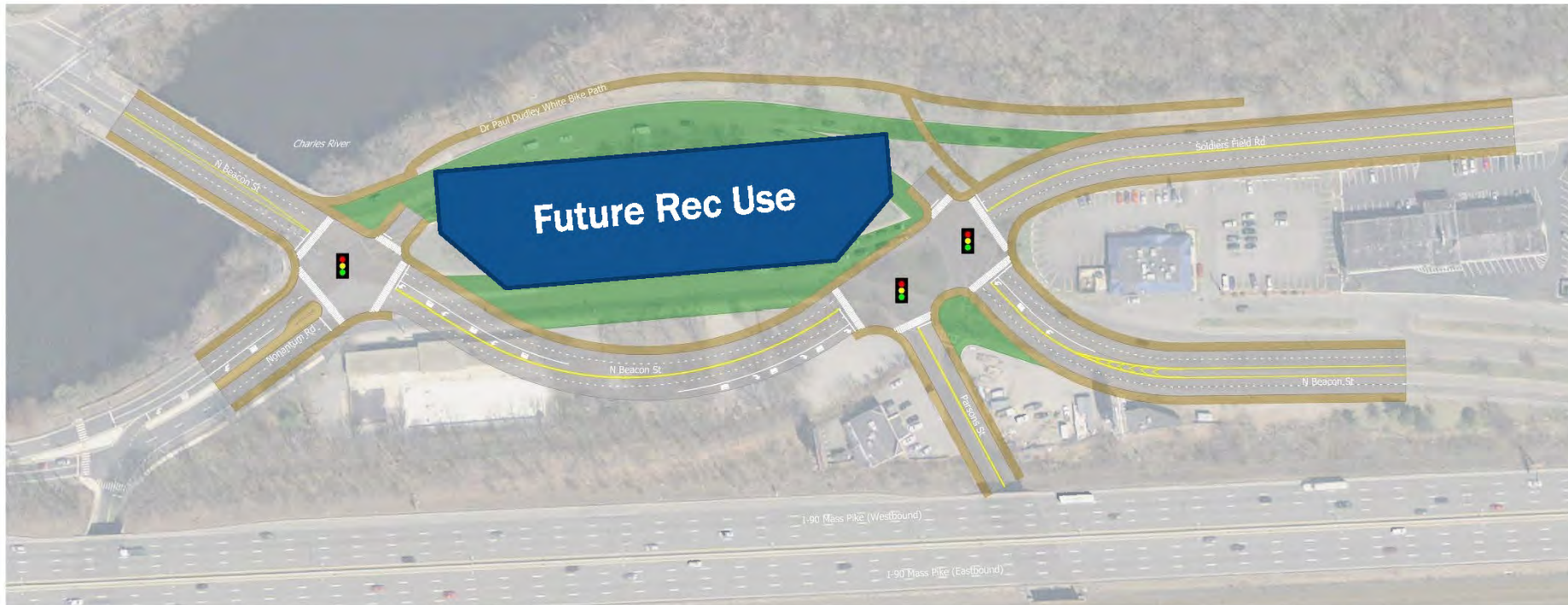
-  GREEN SPACE
-  PROPOSED ROADWAY
-  PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN/ BIKE FACILITIES



- Eliminate weaving
- Increase green space along River/
rec use

- Expand ped/bike facilities
- Access to rec use removed from
intersection – driveway location TBD

THE “EYE” – ALTERNATIVE 1E



LEGEND

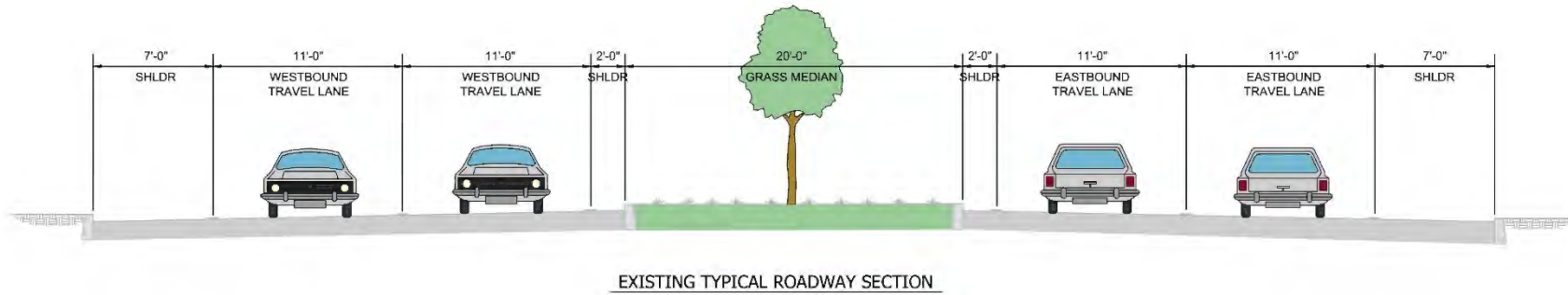
- GREEN SPACE
- PROPOSED ROADWAY
- PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN/ BIKE FACILITIES



- Eliminate weaving
- Relocate rec use along River
- Old pool parcel dissected

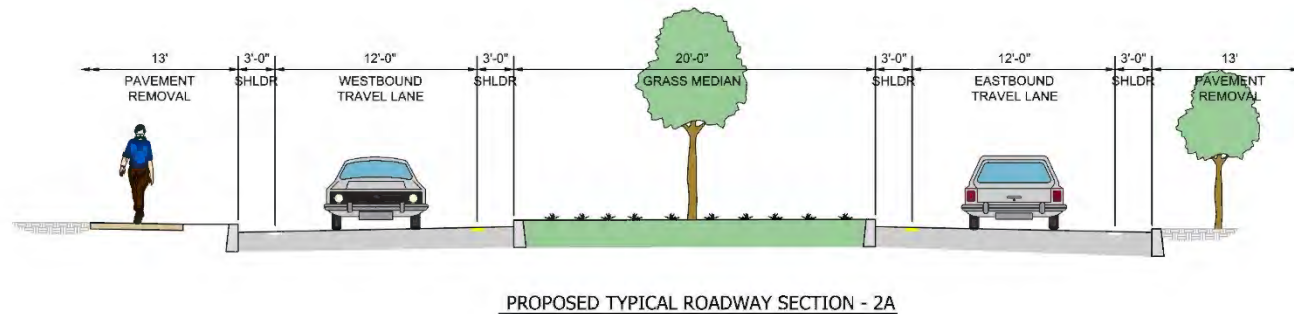
- Expand ped/bike facilities
- Access to rec use at intersections
- Complicates turn movements

PARKWAY – ALTERNATIVE 2A



LEGEND

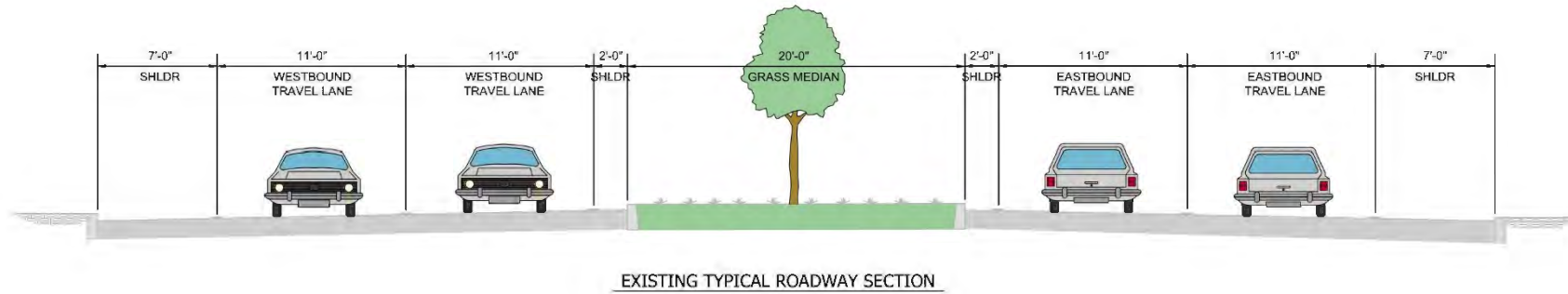
- GREEN SPACE
- PROPOSED ROADWAY
- PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN/ BIKE FACILITIES



Looking East

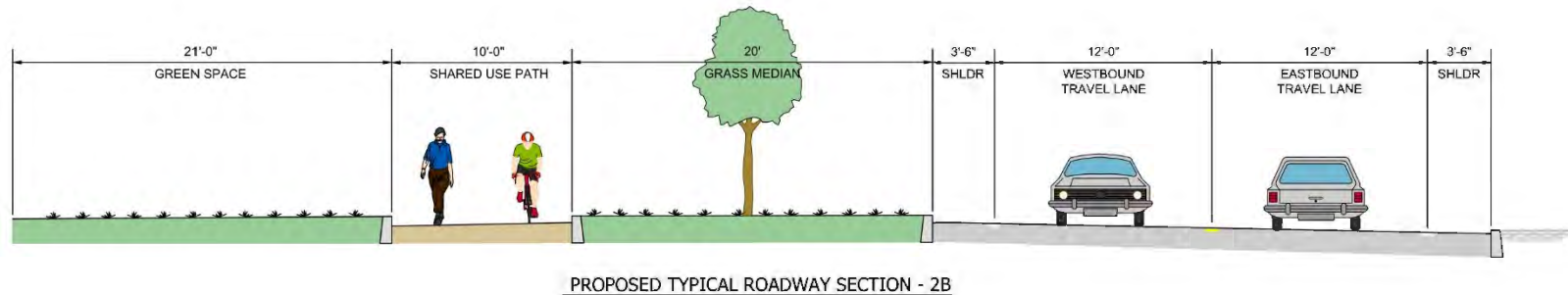
- Reduce to one lane per direction
- Maintain existing median
- Expand ped/bike facilities
- May allow for sidewalk only

PARKWAY – ALTERNATIVE 2B



LEGEND

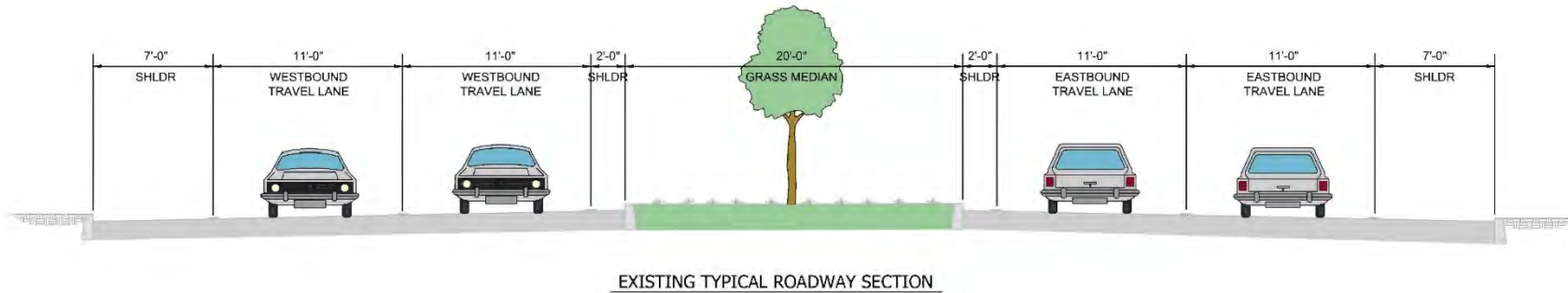
- GREEN SPACE
- PROPOSED ROADWAY
- PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN/ BIKE FACILITIES



Looking East

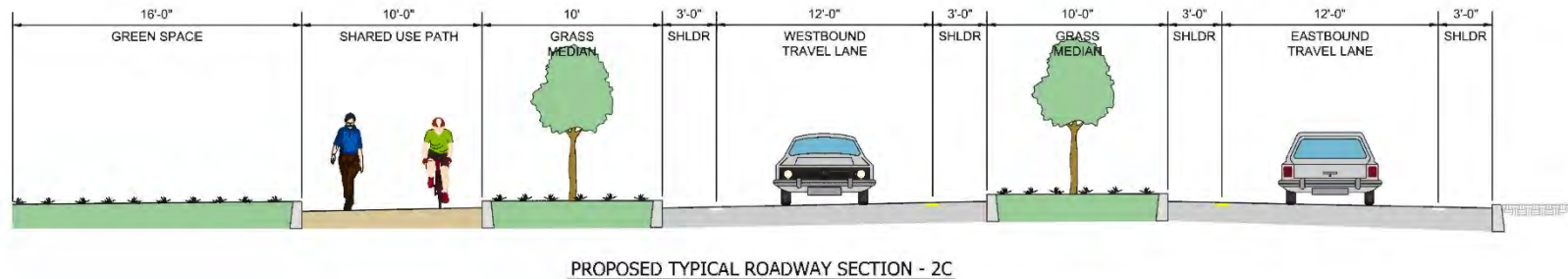
- Reduce to one lane per direction
- Undivided lanes on EB pavement
- Expand ped/bike facilities
- Use WB pavement for shared use path

PARKWAY – ALTERNATIVE 2C



LEGEND

- GREEN SPACE
- PROPOSED ROADWAY
- PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN/ BIKE FACILITIES



Looking East

- Reduce to one lane per direction
- Divided lanes with reduced median
- Expand ped/bike facilities
- Use WB pavement for shared use path

SECONDARY INTERSECTIONS



LEGEND

-  GREEN SPACE
-  PROPOSED ROADWAY
-  PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN/ BIKE FACILITIES



- Reduce to one lane per direction
- Eliminate excess pavement

- Realign through movements
- Expand ped/bike facilities

SECONDARY INTERSECTIONS



● = STUDY INTERSECTION

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS



REPLACE WITH DCR STANDARD Q&A SLIDE (KEEP NOTES BELOW)

● = STUDY INTERSECTION

WHAT'S NEXT?

Public Comment Period – until April 8, 2021

Feasibility Study – concluding Summer 2021

Design Development – TBD

Construction – TBD

Additional Information

Recording and tonight's slide deck will be available at:

- www.mass.gov/dcr/past-public-meetings

If you have comments or suggestions on this project:

- Submit online: www.mass.gov/dcr/public-comment
- Deadline: Thursday, April 8, 2021

Please note: the contents of comments submitted to DCR, including your name, town and zipcode, will be posted on DCR's website. Additional contact information provided, notably email address, will only be used for outreach on future updates to the subject project or property.

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