

**Work Session Agenda
City of Laramie, WY**

1. WORKSESSION

1.I. Upcoming Council Meetings

Documents: [FEB-09-16.PDF](#)

1.II. Future Work Session Topics

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2. Public Comments

3. Discussion Item - Ducks Unlimited, Goforth Project

Documents: [DISCUSSION_ITEM_GOFORTH_PROJECT.PDF](#)

4. Discussion Item: Bill Nye Western Corridor Study

Documents: [DISCUSSION_ITEM_BILL_NYE_AVE.PDF](#), [02-09-2016 BILL NYE WESTERN WORK SESSION PACKET.PDF](#)

5. City Council Updates/Council Comments

6. Agenda Review

7. Public Comments

UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS February 9, 2016

All meetings at City Hall, 406 Ivinson Street, unless noted.

February 9, 2016

- 6:00 p.m. – Work Session:** Public Comments
- 6:00 p.m. – Work Session:** Ducks Unlimited
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February 16, 2016

- 6:00 p.m. – Pre-Council**
- 6:30 p.m. – Public Hearing:** Retail Liquor License Transfer – Cowboy Bar, Inc
- 6:30 p.m. – Public Hearing:** Mosquito Control Fee Ordinance
- 6:30 p.m. – Regular Meeting**

February 23, 2016

- 6:00 p.m. – Joint Work Session w/County Commiss:** Community Partners Presentations

March 1, 2016

- 6:00 p.m. – Pre-Council**
- 6:30 p.m. – Regular Meeting**

March 10, 2016

- 6:00 p.m. – Work Session:** Public Comments
- 6:00 p.m. – Special Meeting:** Community Partners Deliberation
- 6:00 p.m. – Work Session:** Rules of Procedure and Code of Conduct
- 6:00 p.m. – Work Session:** City Council Updates/Council Comments
- 6:00 p.m. – Work Session:** Agenda Review
- 6:00 p.m. – Work Session:** Public Comments

March 15, 2016

- 6:00 p.m. – Pre-Council**
- 6:30 p.m. – Regular Meeting**

March 22, 2016

- 6:00 p.m. – Work Session:** Public Comments
- 6:00 p.m. – Public Hearing:** Liquor License Renewals
- 6:00 p.m. – Work Session:** Impact Fees & the Economic Fee Initiative
- 6:00 p.m. – Work Session:** Fire Codes and Building Codes
- 6:00 p.m. – Work Session:** City Council Updates/Council Comments
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March 29, 2016

- 6:00 p.m. – Ward Meetings:** Ward 1: Council Chambers
Ward 2: Fire Station 2
Ward 3: Lincoln Community Center

April 5, 2016

- 6:00 p.m. – Pre-Council**
- 6:30 p.m. – Regular Meeting**

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April 12, 2016

- 6:00 p.m. – Work Session:** Public Comments
- 6:00 p.m. – Work Session:** Annexation & Extra-Territorial Services Policy
- 6:00 p.m. – Work Session:** City Council Updates/Council Comments
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FUTURE CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSIONS 2/9/2015

Requested by Council Formal Action:

City Curb & Gutter Policy (Paulekas)
Review general process of Boards & Commissions Program (Weaver/Vitale)
Review of Inter-Agency City/County Agreements (Hanson) (January/Retreat)
UDC WAM Members Poll Results (Shuster)
Review of funding allocation for Child Care providers (Paulekas)
Open 311 (Summerville)
Turner Tract Plan Update (Summerville)
Pavement Maintenance Program (Weaver)
ACTA (Albany County Transportation Authority)/MPO (Summerville)
Tech Hire Grant Program (Summerville)
Homeless/Homeless Veterans (Shumway/Summerville)
Update on taxi laws (Summerville)

Requested by Staff:

*Policy on Annexation & Extra-Territorial City Services Action Plan (Jordan)
Downtown Design Guidelines Revisions (Hunt)
*Impact Fees for New Buildings/Construction (Hunt)
*Adoption of 2015 International Fire Code (IFC) (Chief Johnson)
GIS and CRT Software Demo (Derragon)

* Scheduled, not held.



Agenda Item: Discussion Item

Title: Goforth Project Update

Recommended Council MOTION:

No motion at this time – Consideration of approval for the project will be on the Council’s February 16, 2016 Regular meeting agenda

Administrative or Policy Goal:

Preservation of water rights on the Monolith Ranch; enhancement of value of ranch

Background:

The City has the opportunity to partner with a private organization and multiple governmental agencies to improve both the agricultural value and production of the ranch while concurrently enhancing wildlife habitat. These potential partnerships may allow for some long overdue infrastructure improvements to take place that have proven to be cost prohibitive for the City to attempt on its own.

Legal/Statutory Authority:

Responsible Staff:

Darren Parkin 721-5213

Dave Derragon 721-5304

Attachments: N/A

 City Manager City Attorney



Agenda Item: Discussion Item

Title: City Council Presentation #1, Bill Nye Avenue Western Corridor Study Update.

Recommended Council MOTION:

Work session; no action can be taken.

Administrative or Policy Goal:

Chapter 8, Transportation's Thoroughfare Improvement and Effective Capacity Management Goals and Action Statements state: "Update the Major Street and Highway Plan based on suggestions found within the plan. Changes are needed to lessen the rigid, non-planned location of many of the roads found in the Major Street and Highway Plan." (pg. 8-19); "Coordinate with WYDOT, Albany County and private property owners in conducting a traffic engineering and design study along collectors, arterials and other major roads to identify necessary and feasible improvements such as acceleration/deceleration lanes, turn lanes at major intersections, ROW property acquisition and the effective use of medians." (pg. 8-20); and "8. Streets facility standards should be replaced with the standards that give them the longest life and quality available at this time. This should help reduce the backlog of maintenance." (pg. 8-20).

Background:

On April 7, 2015 the City Council approved a Professional Services Agreement with AVI PC to complete the Bill Nye Avenue Corridor Study, with the purpose of analyzing the existing Bill Nye Avenue Corridor between south 9th Street and south 3rd Street. AVI PC and the City agreed to expand the geographical scope (at no additional cost) to include an alignment along 15th Street as another option. The adopted 2010 Major Street Plan, and its predecessors, call for an alignment that crosses Spring Creek on a new bridge at approximately 5th Street. The purpose for this study is to identify whether the existing alignment is acceptable, or if better alternatives exist.

This study is partly the result of recent City Council discussion regarding B.F.R. Development's compliance with the Delayed Improvement Agreement requiring construction of Bill Nye Avenue and other associated improvements as specified in the Agreement.

The purpose of this presentation is to summarize progress so far, provide details on the Steering Committee's preferred alternatives and provide summary of public feedback received to date.

Legal/Statutory Authority:

n/a

BUDGET/FISCAL INFORMATION:

REVENUE

Source	Amount	Type
Fees/Charges for Service		
Grants for Projects	\$50,000.00	WYDOT Cooperative Agreement: 04-07-2015
Loans on Project		
Other		
Total	\$50,000.00	

EXPENSE

Proposed Project Cost.

Project Budget	Amount	Funds
Project Cost	\$62,500.00	300-3315-410 73-20 Streets & Bridges
Loans on Project		
Grants for Project	\$50,000.00	WYDOT Cooperative Agreement: 04-07-2015
Other/Outside Projects		
City's Amount	\$12,500.00	
Contingency 0%	\$0.00	
Total Amount	\$62,500.00	

Amount spent to date (approved and adopted by Council)

Budget	Amount	Funds
Total Budget Allocation		
Less Amount Spent to Date		
Remainder of Budget	\$0.00	

Proposed Cost (Approval of this item authorizes preparation of a budget revision for the proposed amount)

Expenditures	Amount	Fund
Proposed Expenditure	\$62,500.00	300-3315-410 73-20 Streets & Bridges
Current Budget		
Additional Amount Requested	\$62,500.00	
Total Proposed Budget	\$62,500.00	

Responsible Staff:

Randy Hunt, Community Development
Director: 721-5288

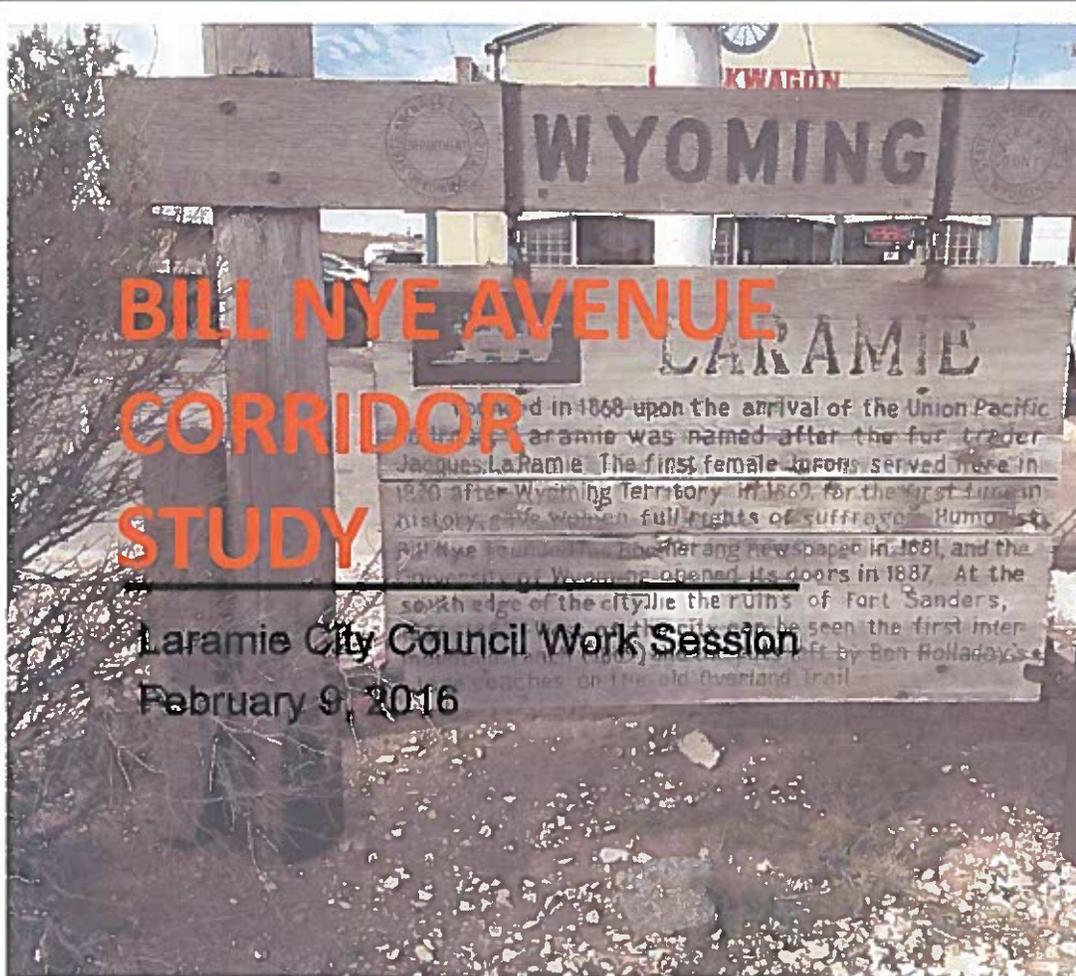
Attachment:

- 1) PowerPoint

Future dates are subject to change

Work Session	2/09/2016
Advertised	
Public Hearing (PH) Held	
PH Advertised	
Introduction/1 st Reading	
2 nd Reading	
3 rd Reading	

____ City Manager ____ City Attorney **RAH** Community Development



BILL NYE AVENUE CORRIDOR STUDY

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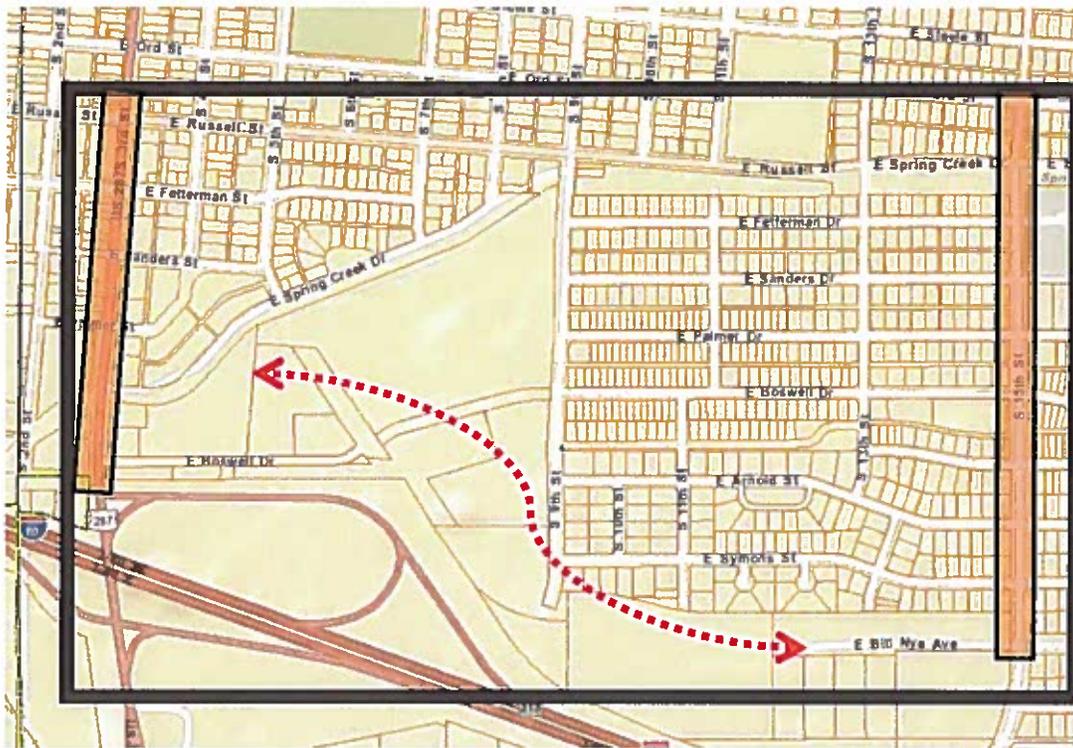


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- Purpose, Objective, and Goals
- Design and Plan Foundation
- Summary of Public Outreach
- Identified Constraints
- Proposed Roadway Typical Section
- Proposed Conceptual Alternatives
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- Where do we go from here?



Study Area



Purpose, Objectives, and Goals

• Purpose

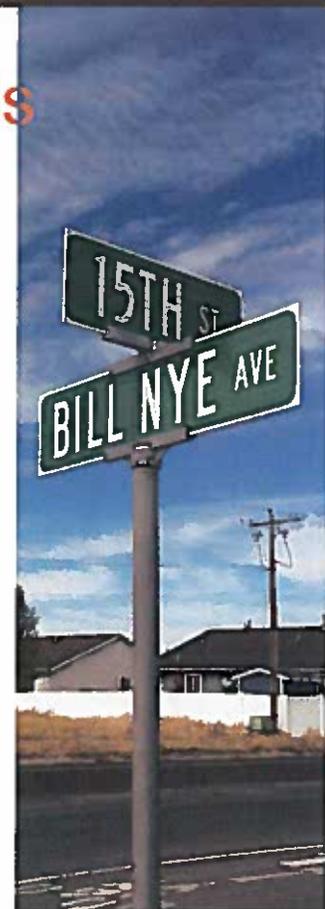
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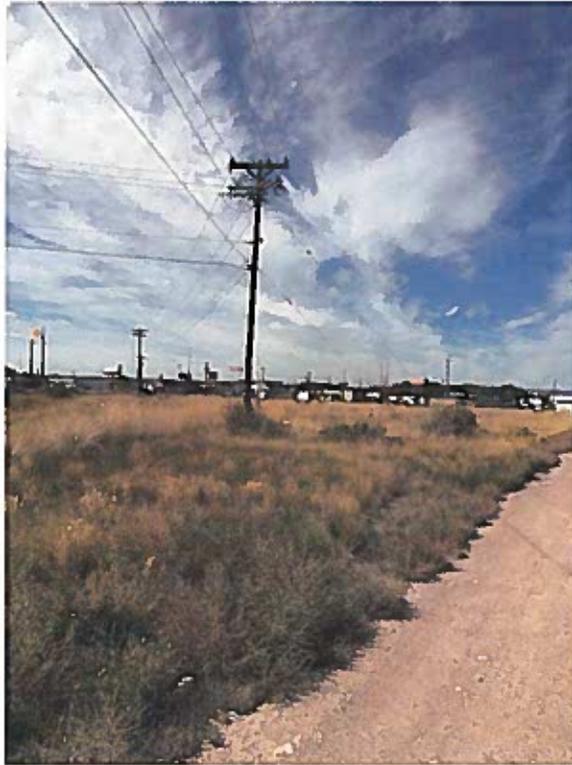
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Identified Constraints

Physical Constraints

- Existing Utilities
- Structures
- Spring Creek
- Adjacent Developments
- Corridor Safety

Existing Utilities - Palmer Street West of 3rd (looking west)



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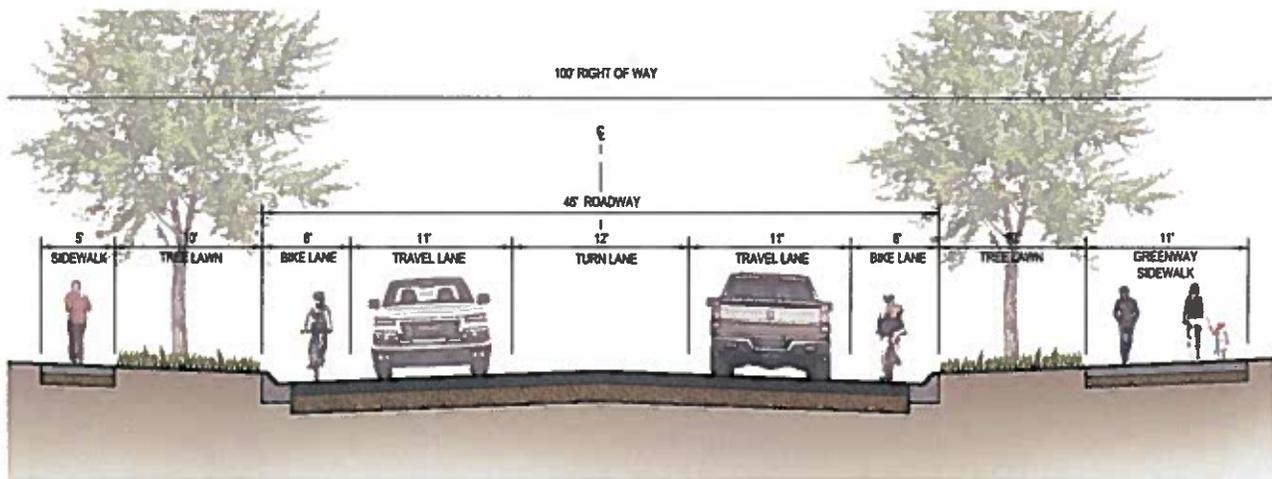
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Proposed Conceptual Typical Section



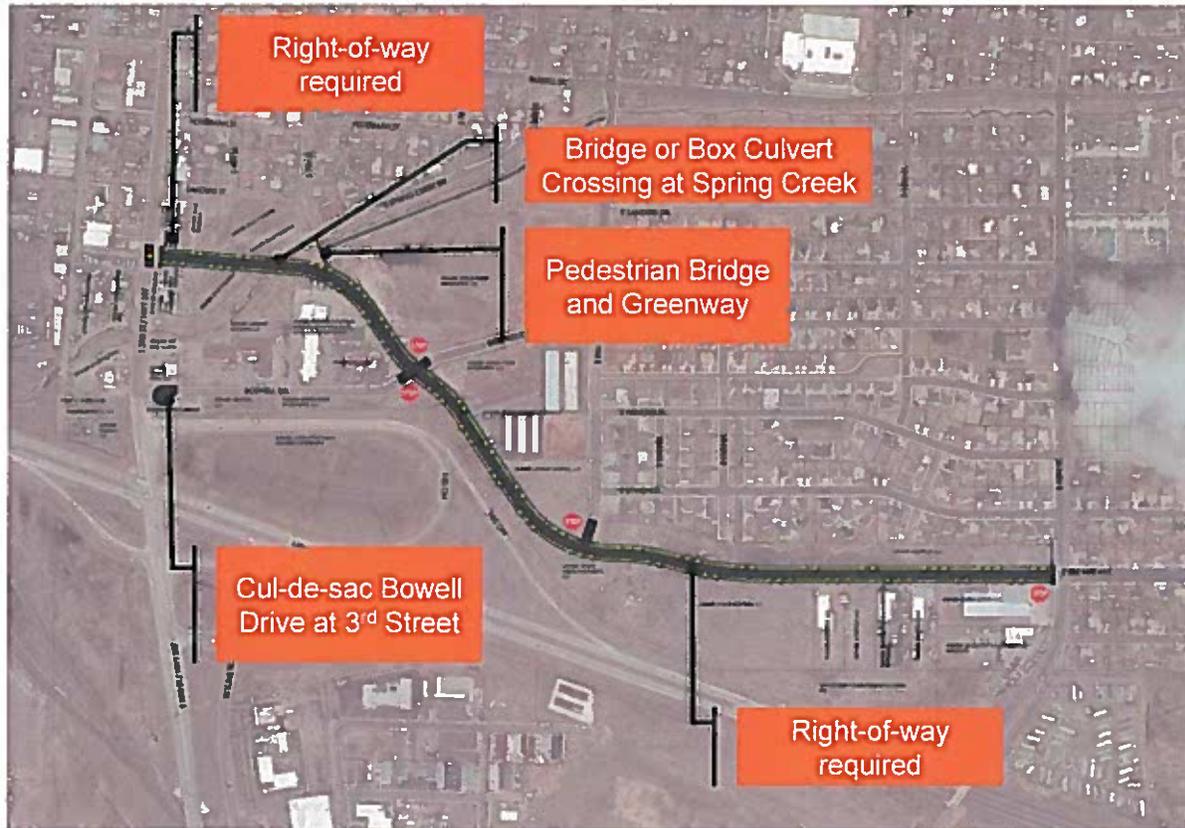
Do Nothing – Utilize 15th Street



Revised Bill Nye Realignment



E. Palmer Drive w/ Cul-de-sac Boswell



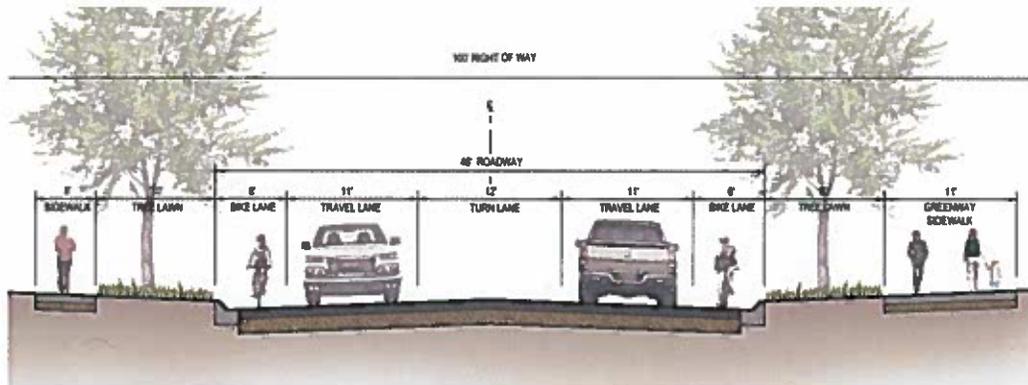
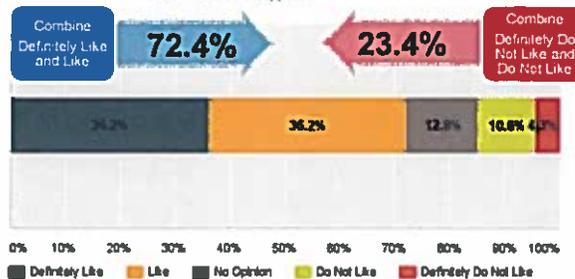
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What we heard?

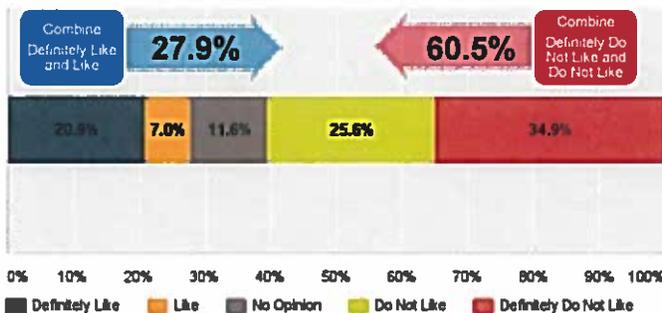
Q3 Please rate the Bill Nye Avenue Conceptual Typical Section shown above.

Answered: 47 Skipped: 1



Q4 Please rate the conceptual alignment Alternative #1: "Do Nothing" Utilize 15th Street to Russell Street/ E. Spring Creek Road shown above.

Answered: 43 Skipped: 5



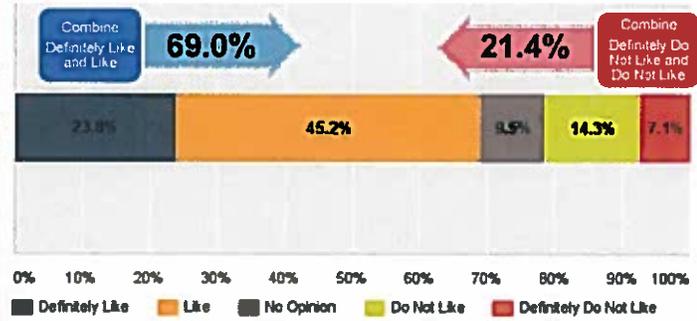
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Revised Boswell Realignment

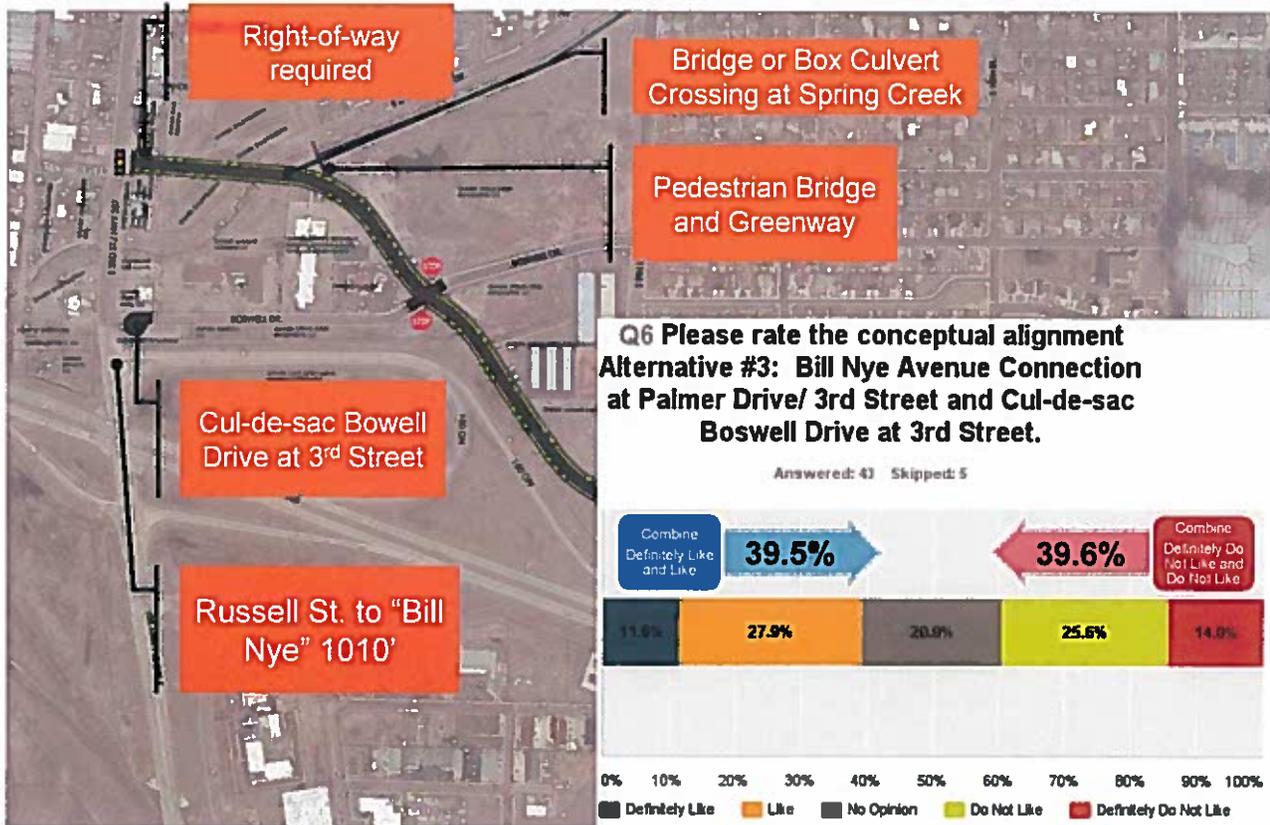


Q5 Please rate the conceptual alignment Alternative #2: Boswell Drive Realignment at 3rd Street.

Answered: 42 Skipped: 6



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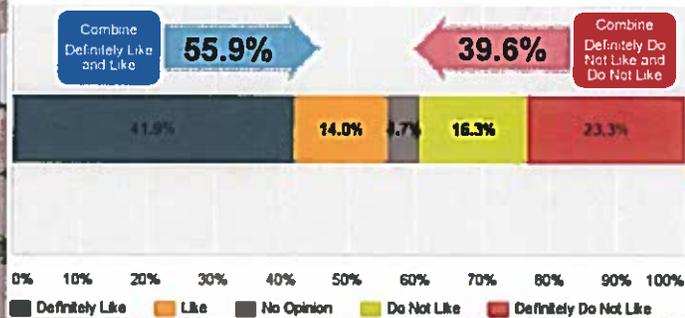


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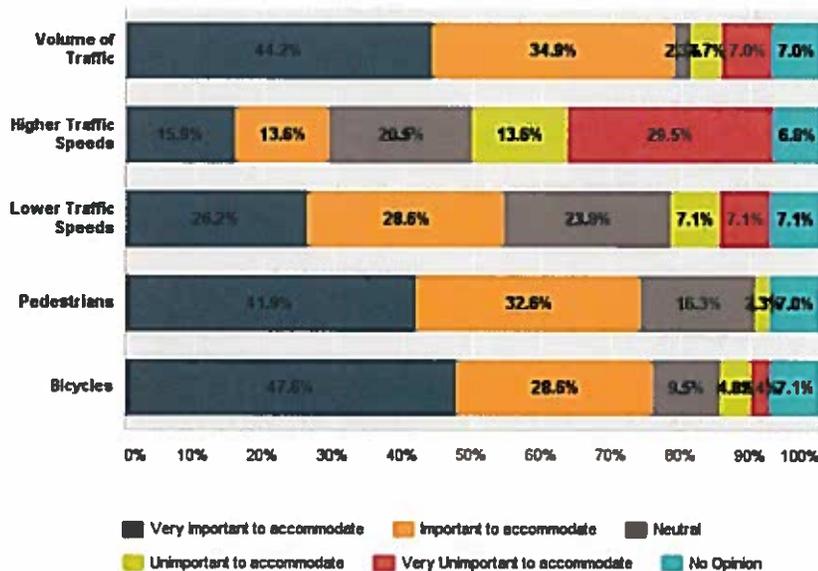
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Where do we go from here?

Activity	Tentative Schedule*
Council Work Session	February 9, 2016
Draft Corridor Plan	February – March, 2016
Steering Committee	February 16, 2016
Submit Draft Plan for Review	March 18, 2016
Final Draft	April 1, 2016
Presentation to Governing Body	April, 2016

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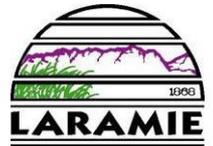


WYOMING



LARAMIE

Founded in 1868 upon the arrival of the Union Pacific Railroad, Laramie was named after the fur trader Jacques LaRame. The first female jurors served here in 1870 after Wyoming Territory in 1869, for the first time in history, gave women full rights of suffrage. Humorist Bill Nye founded his Boomerang newspaper in 1881, and the University of Wyoming opened its doors in 1887. At the south edge of the city lie the ruins of Fort Sanders, 1887. West of the city can be seen the first intermountain ranch (1867) and the ruins left by Ben Holladay's stage coaches on the old Overland Trail.

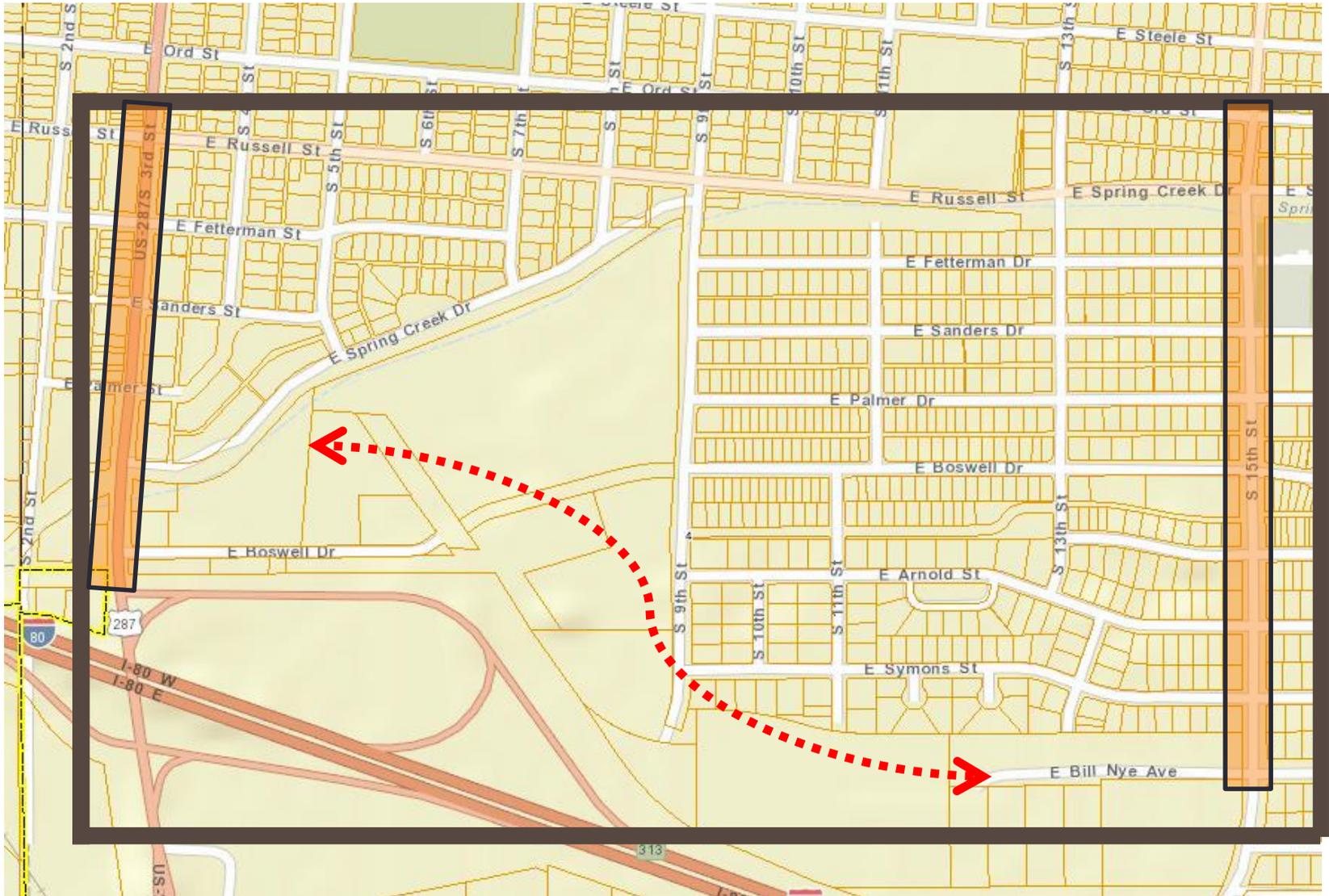


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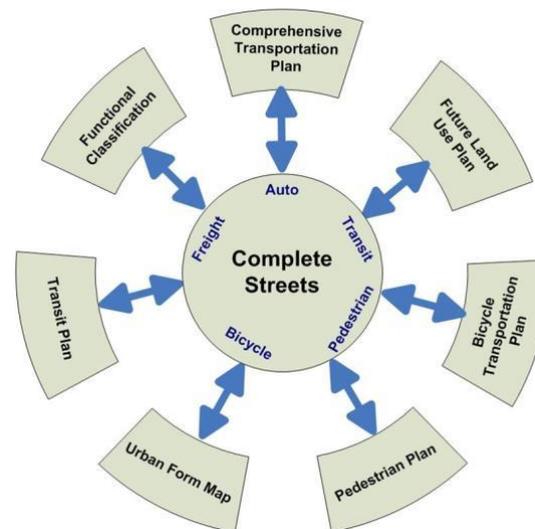
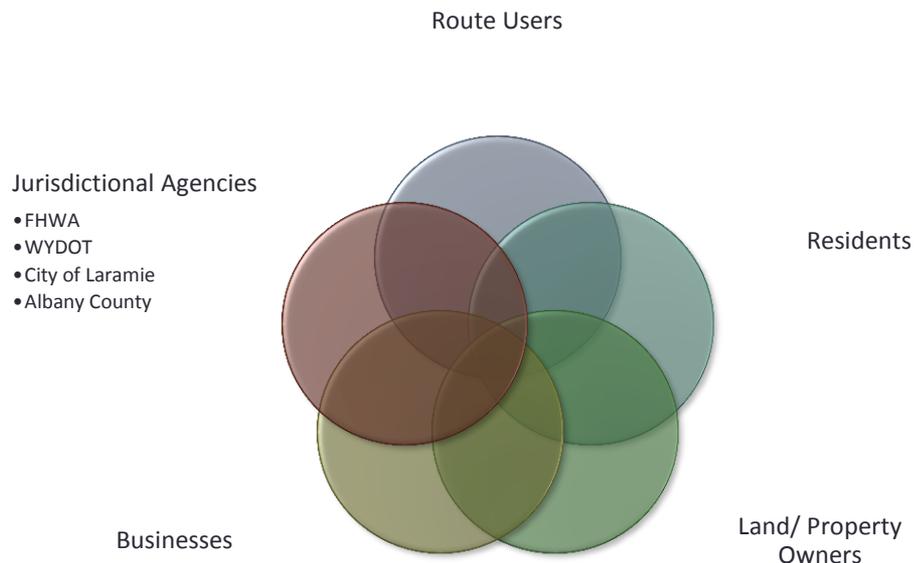
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- Finding a Balance between the needs of the diversified stakeholders
- Strong and Transparent Communication
- Public Involvement/ Outreach
 - Individual Stakeholder Meetings or “One-one-one meetings”
 - Public Meeting(s)
 - Steering Committee



Design and Plan Foundation

Steering Committee

- Comprised of Key Partners and Organizations
 - WYDOT
 - Planning, District Traffic Engineer, District Engineer
 - City of Laramie
 - Planning, Development, Public Works, City Engineer
 - FHWA
 - Project Consultant Team Members
- Purpose and role
 - Assists in steering a project from inception to completion
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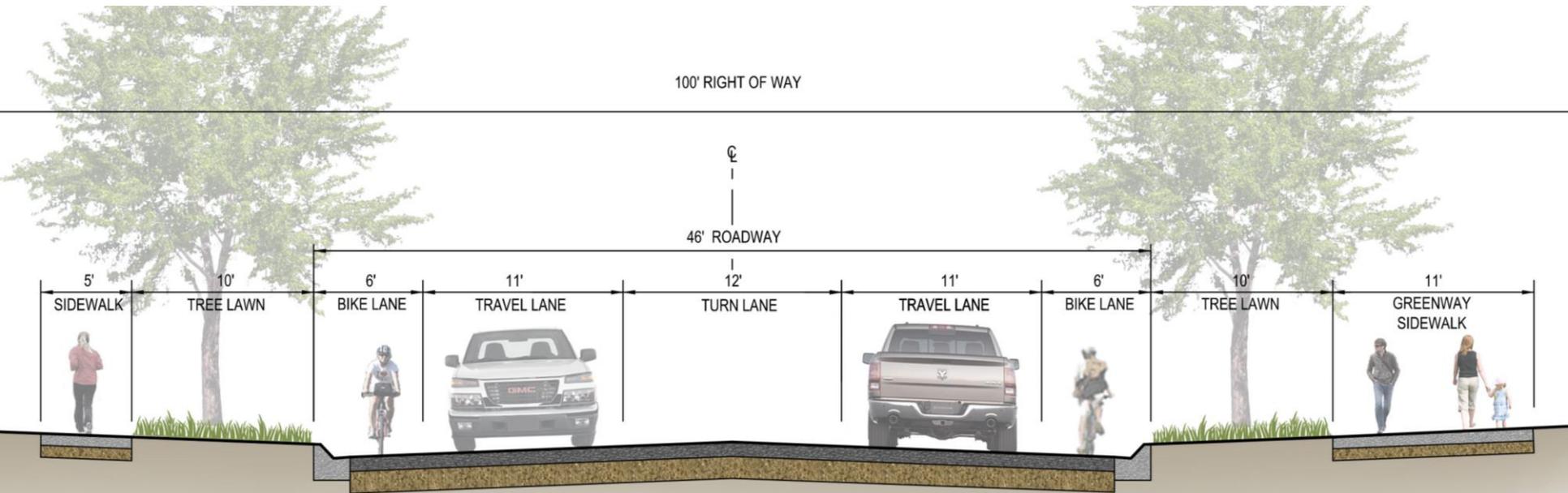
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Spring Creek
Elementary
Pedestrian
Crossing at 13th
Street

Residential
Neighborhood

Revised Bill Nye Realignment



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RAB at 3rd/ Boswell/ I-80 WB Ramps

Right-of-way required
Impacts to
business access

Pedestrian Bridge
and Greenway

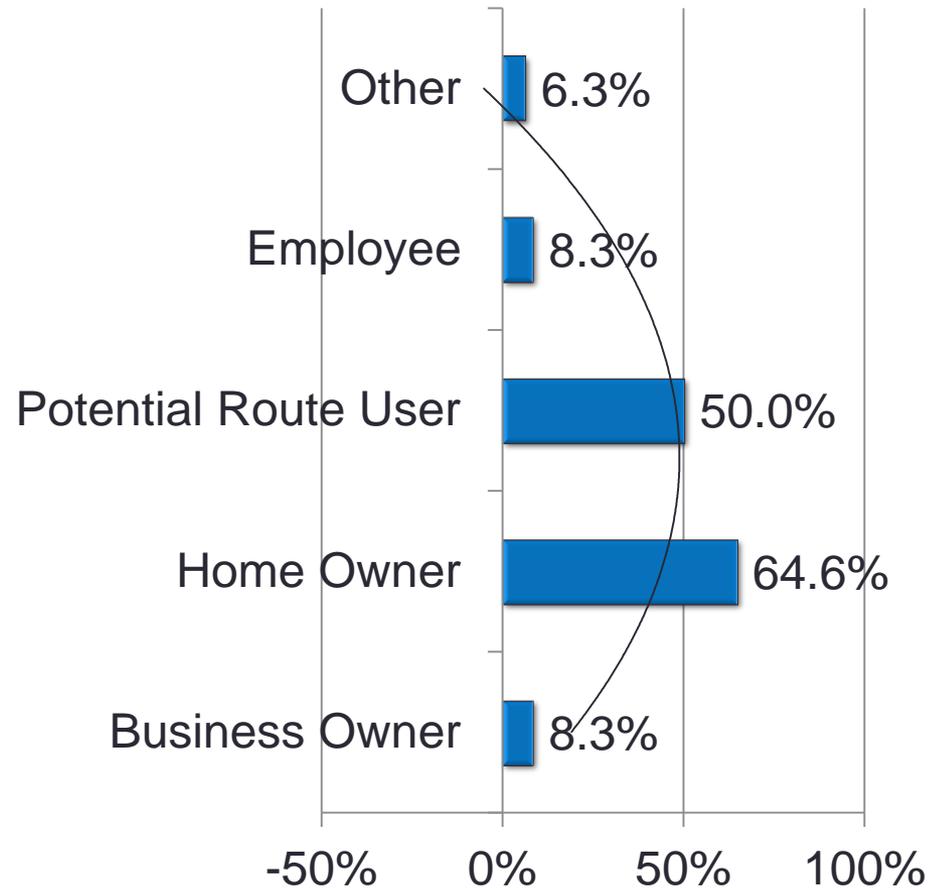
Realignment of
WB Off / On-ramps

Right-of-way
required



Public Meeting One: Summary

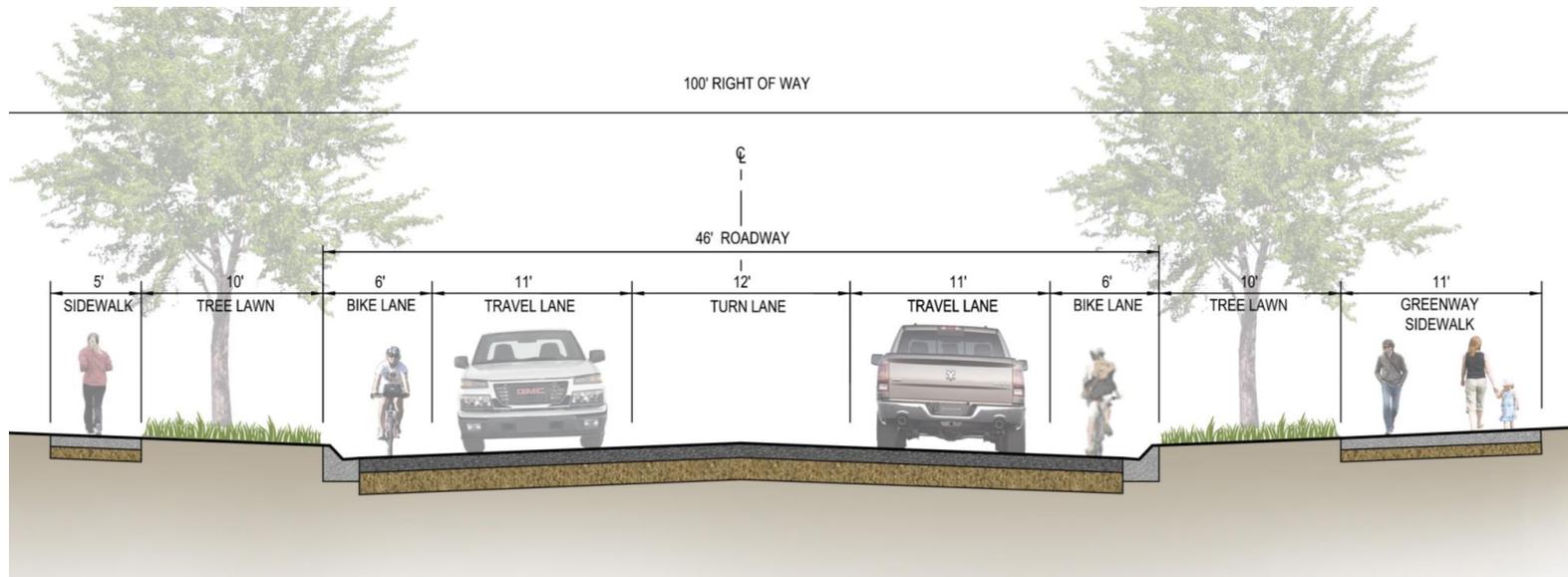
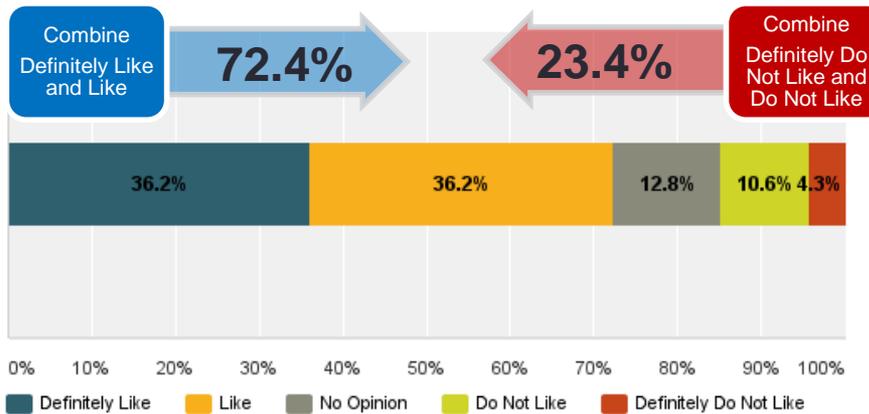
- Conducted October 21 2015
- Approximately 25 participants
- 48 Comment Card Responses (192.0%)
- Who Attended?



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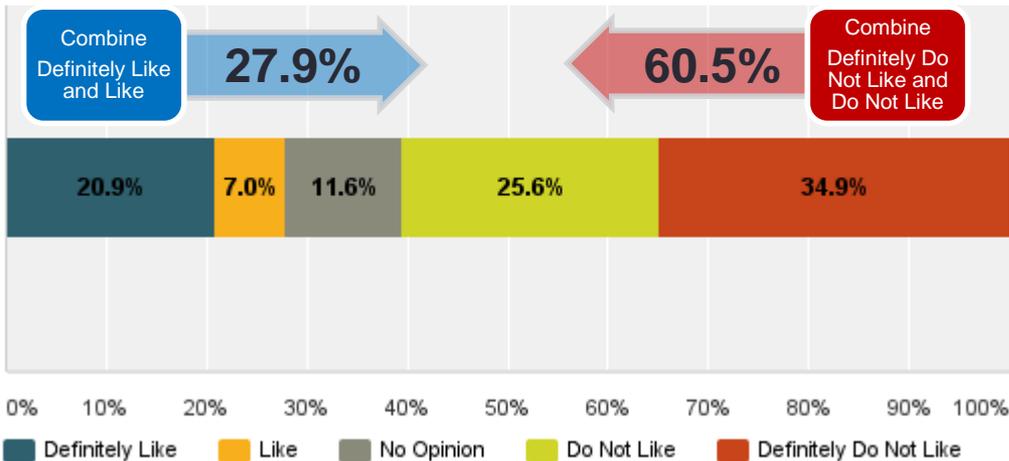
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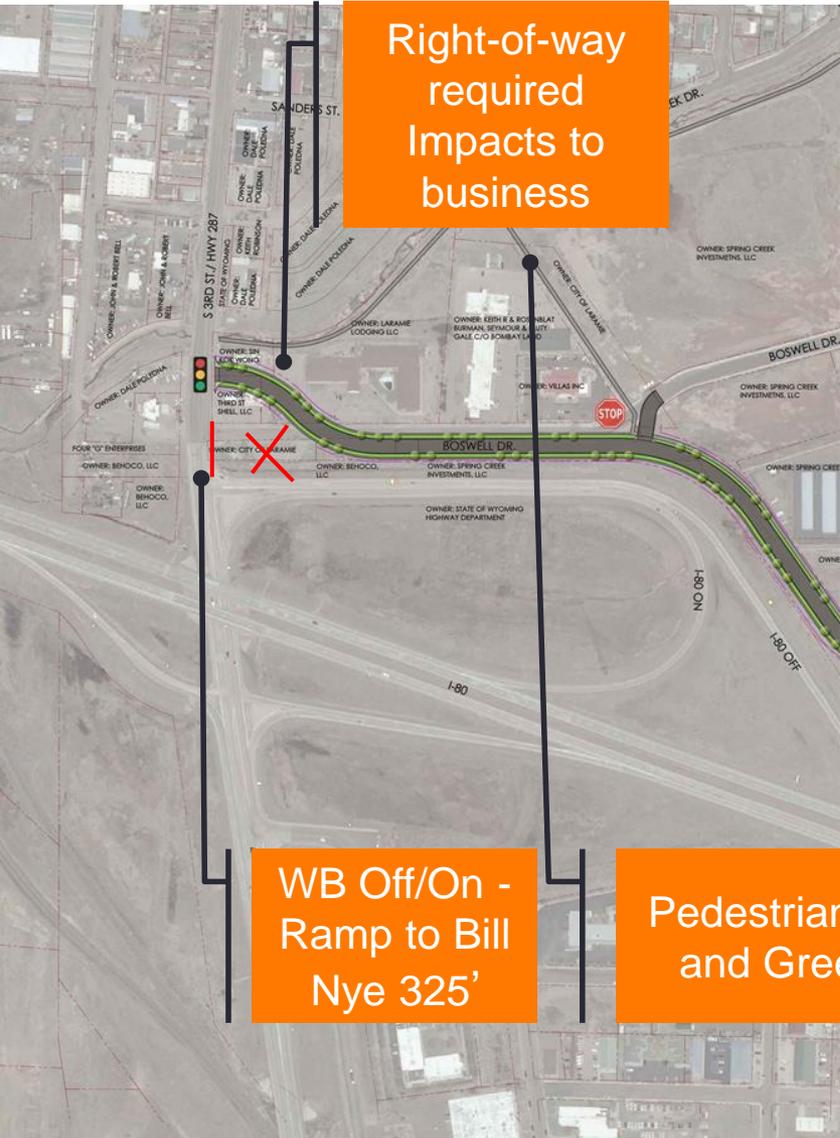


Spring Creek Elementary Pedestrian Crossing at 13th Street

Residential Neighborhood

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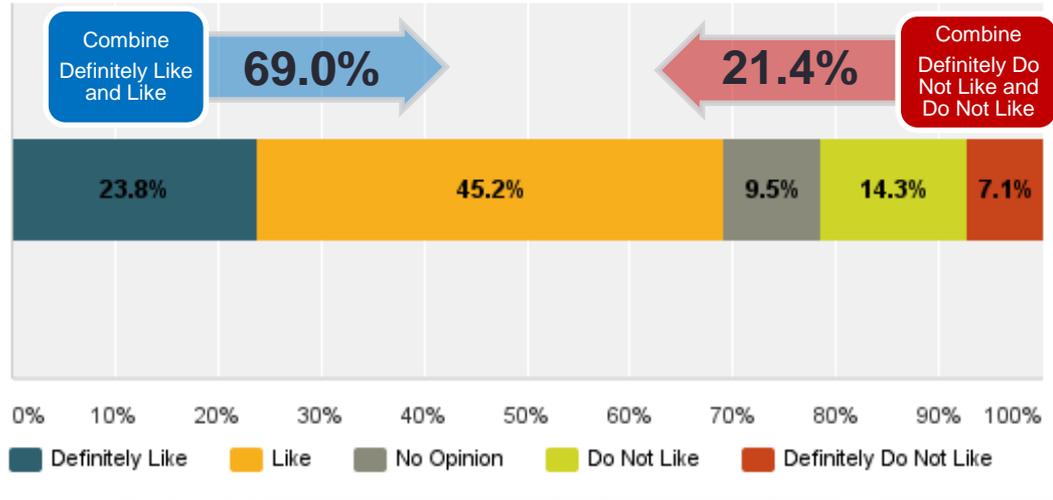
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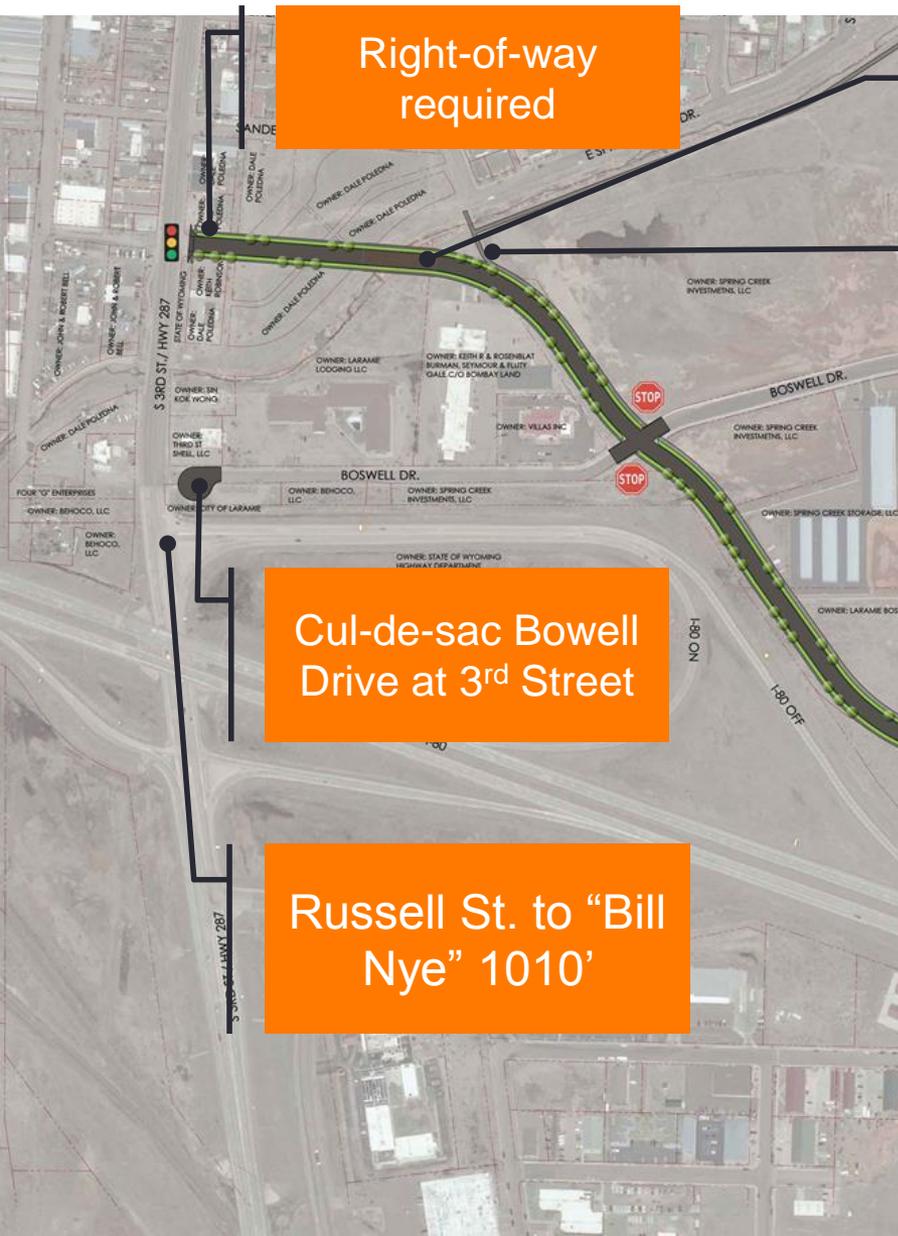
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Bridge or Box Culvert Crossing at Spring Creek

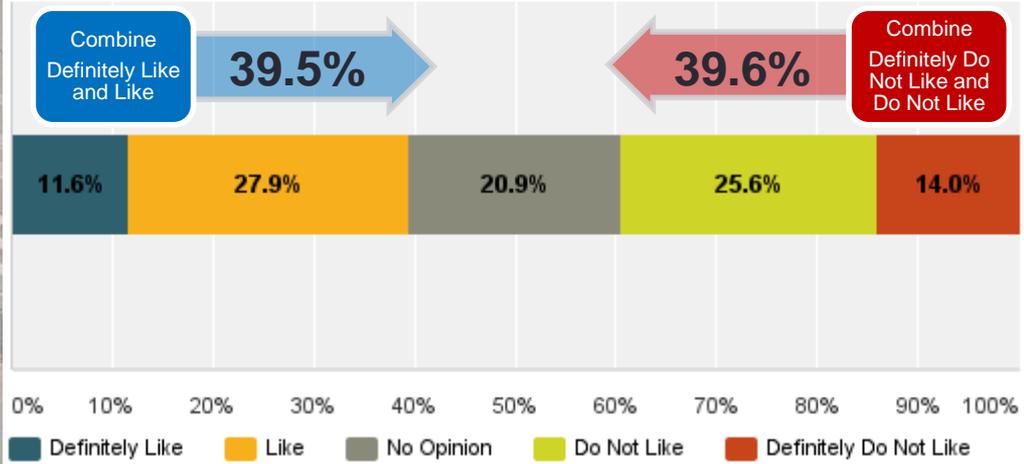
Pedestrian Bridge and Greenway

Cul-de-sac Bowell Drive at 3rd Street

Russell St. to "Bill Nye" 1010'

Q6 Please rate the conceptual alignment Alternative #3: Bill Nye Avenue Connection at Palmer Drive/ 3rd Street and Cul-de-sac Boswell Drive at 3rd Street.

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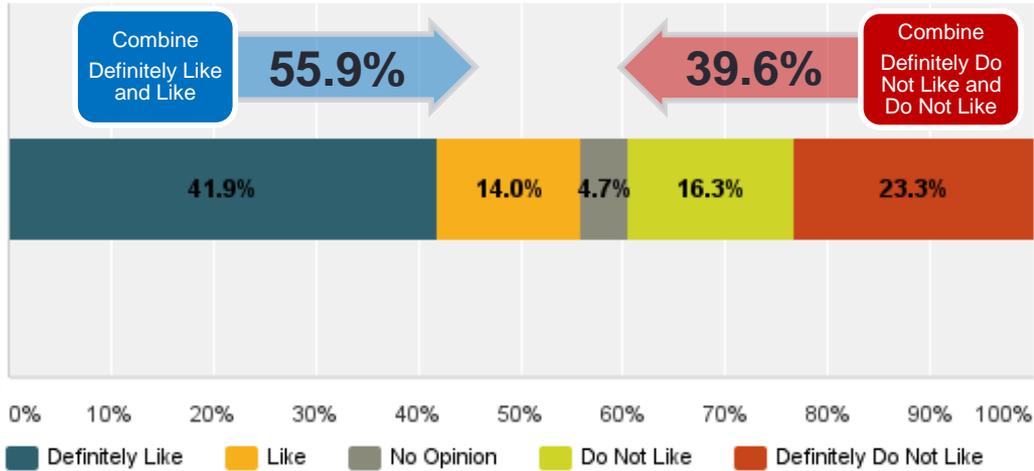


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Very important to accommodate Important to accommodate Neutral
Unimportant to accommodate Very Unimportant to accommodate No Opinion

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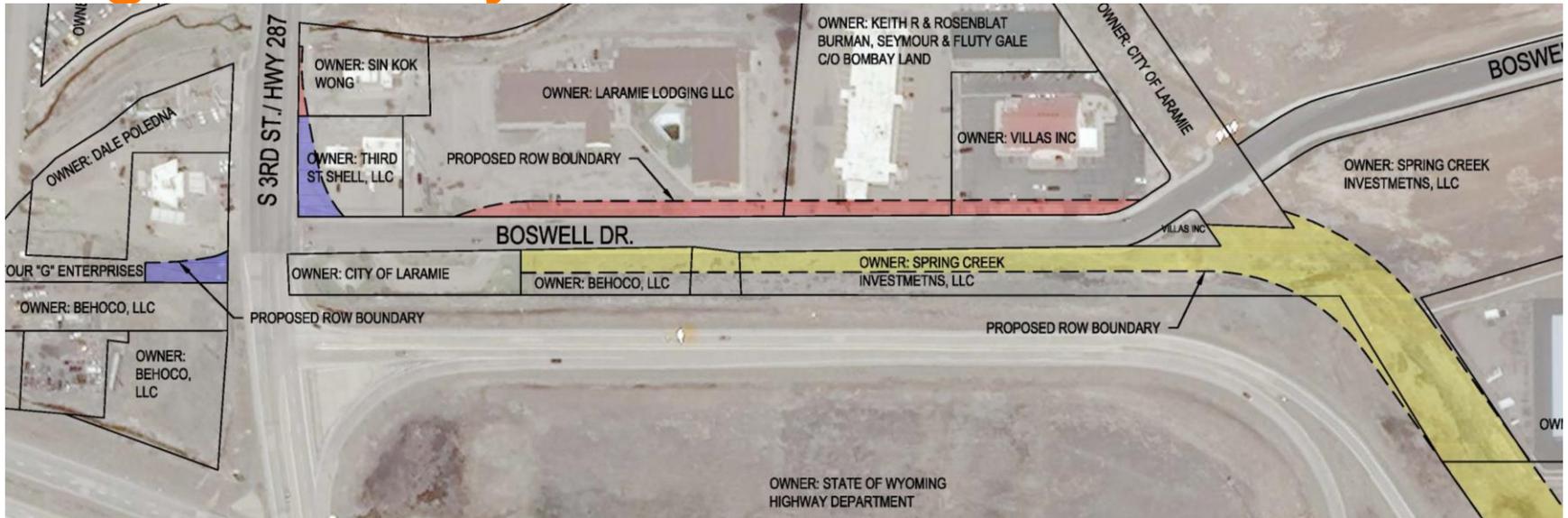
Engineers Opinion of Cost (Present Worth)

Description of Area	Construction Cost (1)	Right-of-way Cost (2)	Engineering Design (3)	For Estimate
Alternative 1: Do Nothing	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Alternative 2: Revised Bill Nye Avenue	\$4,270,000	\$1,078,068	\$186,000	\$5,534,068
Alternative 3: East Palmer Drive	\$5,040,000	-	\$220,000	\$5,240,000
Alternative 4: RAB 3rd Street	\$4,383,000	\$480,760	\$382,000	\$5,245,760

Footnotes:

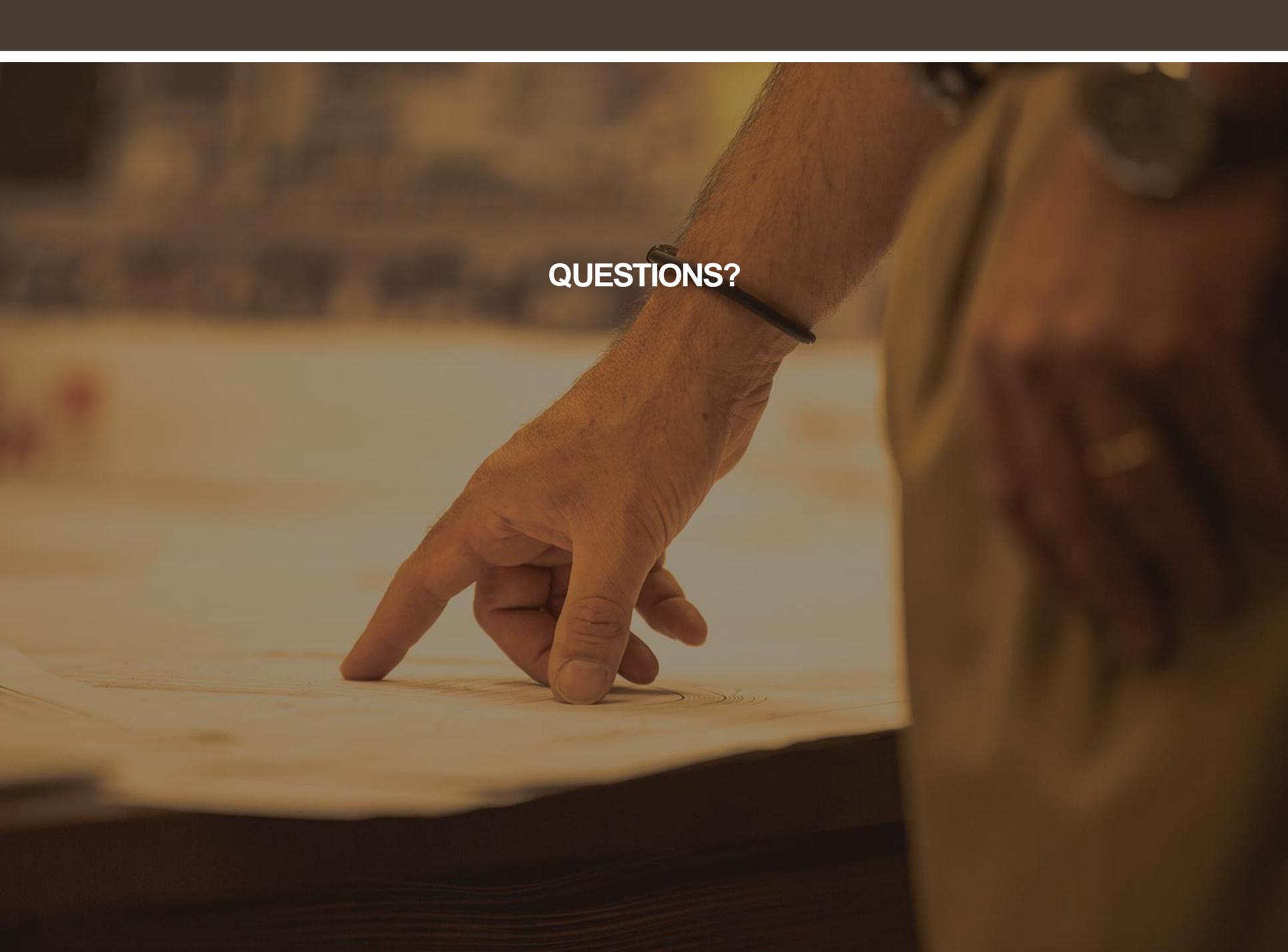
- (1) The Cost Estimates were developed using data from the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) *2014 & 2015 Cost Data Book* compiled by the Engineering Estimates and Marketing Analysis Unit; *2014 & 2015 Weighted Average Bid Prices*, compiled by WYDOT; and Typical Costs from historical AVI project experience database.
- (2) Right-of-way costs are based on listed values of adjacent similar property gathered by City of Laramie Planning Division and AVI, pc (i.e. South 3rd Street, Undeveloped, Commercial Level 1 and Level 2)
- (3) Engineer Design estimated at 5% (2 and 3) and 10% (4) of total construction cost.

Right-of-way



Where do we go from here?

Activity	Tentative Schedule*
Council Work Session	February 9, 2016
Draft Corridor Plan	February – March, 2016
Steering Committee	February 16, 2016
Submit Draft Plan for Review	March 18, 2016
Final Draft	April 1, 2016
Presentation to Governing Body	April, 2016

A close-up photograph of a person's hand pointing at a document. The hand is positioned in the lower-left quadrant, with the index finger pointing towards the center. The document is a light-colored page with some faint, illegible markings. The person's arm is visible, wearing a black wristband. The background is blurred, showing a person's face and glasses on the right side. The overall lighting is warm and soft. The text "QUESTIONS?" is overlaid in white, bold, sans-serif font in the upper-middle part of the image.

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