

### **GABAC**



### GREATER ALBUQUERQUE BICYCLING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT, PO BOX 1293 ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87103 (505) 768-2680

> MEETING MINUTES August 8, 2016

### **Members Present**

Scott Hale Moises Gonzalez Dan Majewski Ed Hillsman Scot Key

### **Staff Present**

Hugh Hulse, COA-Parks and Recreation Jill Mosher, NMDOT-District 3 Mary Lovato, NMDOT-District 3 Councilor Isaac Benton, COA-Council Services Tom Menicucci, COA-Council Services

### **Guests**

Eric Froberg James Fordice Alexander

### Eric Froberg (Facilitator) called the meeting to order

(4:34pm)

### Welcome and Introductions

A quorum was not present when the meeting started. As such, the meeting order was revised to allow the meeting to proceed until a quorum was present.

### • Public Comment

Councilor Benton and Tom Menicucci provided two handouts and information from the "EDo Study", related to the Martin Luther King (MLK) Blvd Project currently under construction. The Study was completed by Peter Swift.

A second handout was provided that showed the proposed cross sections from the general dimensions listed in the "Edo Study". This second handout was created by DMD.

Councilor Benton was soliciting GABAC input on the "Wall of Steel" concept (a row of parking (parked cars) offset from the curb providing a "wall of steel" to a bike lane adjacent to the curb).

DMD agreed to reduce the speed limit within MLK Blvd project corridor from 35 mph to 30 mph.

Councilor Benton appreciates the "Wall of Steel" concept, but does not like that the concept does not provide a door buffer, which makes the concept less desirable.

Scott Hale stated that:

- Speed is a major concern of the MLK project and believes that 25 mph is more appropriate.
- The MLK corridor is too auto-centric.
- Crossing MLK is a concern.
- The main issue is signal timing (@ Edith) and the signals in the area need to be looked at.

Moises Gonzalez stated that looking at the North/South movement should be a priority.

Ron Romero stated that:

- Loop Detectors at Elm and Edith will be added in the North/South direction.
- The change in speed from 35 mph to 30 mph will require traffic signal modifications.
- Ron will coordinate with Traffic Engineering.

Scot Key provided an example of debris in buffered bike lanes (2nd and Coal).

Dan Majewski stated that the bike lanes on Zuni are too wide.

Tom Menicucci inquired about GABAC's feelings on vehicular and bike lanes when parking is used.

Moises Gonzalez stated that specific to the MLK project, EDo would prefer parking. EDo does not support the BHI striping design for the MLK project.

Dan Majewski stated that there doesn't appear to be enough room for parking and bike lanes in the MLK corridor.

Scott Hale suggested a Road Diet be considered on Elm and Locust. Scott acknowledged that during peak times the MLK corridor has a queueing problem.

Ron Romero stated he will double check the locations of the proposed bike boxes within the MLK project.

Scott Hale requested that MLK design drawings be provided.

Ron Romero agreed to send drawings to GABAC and/or post them on the MLK webpage.

No other Public Comments were made.

During the Public Comment period a quorum was achieved. The meeting reverted back to follow the original agenda.

- Approval of the Agenda Motion (Scot Key), 2nd (Dan Majewski) Unanimous
- Approval of July 2016 Meeting Minutes Motion (Scott Hale), 2nd (Dan Majewski) Unanimous

### Announcements/Administrative

Meeting Format......Facilitator

- -Please wait until recognized to begin Comment/Questions
- -Written Questions/Comments and/or Response may be requested

### • Irving Blvd Improvements (Golf Course to Unser)- Presentation by Eric Froberg (TYLIN)

Eric Froberg provided a handout (one page) and stated that this project was just getting started and was a Parametrix/TYLIN project. Mr. Froberg stated the handout was a concept from the proposal and the Team would return to GABAC as the project progressed.

Scott Hale had a question on speed and existing bike lane widths.

### GABAC Member Reports

No GABAC member reports.

### Staff Reports

### **Council Services**

No Report.

### **Parks and Recreation**

The Report was provided in advance of the meeting via email – No Comments.

### **APD**

No Report.

### **Planning**

No Report.

### **NMDOT District 3**

Jill Mosher and Mary Lovato provided a report:

Rio Bravo/I25 project is at 60% Plans.

El Pueblo Road:

- o Original \$3M funding cut by \$2M \$1M remains.
- o Current approach is to focus the \$1M on the multi-use trail only (Paseo del Norte to North Diversion Channel).
- o No bridge work is anticipated at this time.
- o Proposing two 11' lanes with an 8' path across the bridge (with 1' shy distance).

Scott Hale wants to revisit the El Pueblo project.

### **DMD Engineering**

Eric Froberg read the DMD Report provided in advance of the meeting via email. Below are discussion points and comments from GABAC members:

4th Street between Coal and Bridge

- o Can this be a bike boulevard?
- o Possible door zone issues with bike lane.
- o Ron Romero to provide information.

### Zuni Road

o Need to monitor/document temporary improvements.

### Comanche

o Scott Hale wants a response as to why no additional treatments are proposed.

### Campus

o GABAC wants a response as to why no plans to implement improvements at this time.

### Headline/Tiberon signage

o Scott Hales wants this project/concern revisited.

### Rio Grande Re-striping (Griegos and Matthew)

- o A handout was provided (one page).
- o This project is approaching 30%.
- o Scot Key pointed out the sidewalks in the area are not good.
- o Ron Romero discussed the upcoming ADA Transition Plan project.

### Alvarado and Menaul Crossing

o A handout was provided (one page).

### Ladera Drive

o A handout was provided (4 pages).

### **Engineering Staff Updates**

o GABAC stressed the importance for the Bike Coordinator position.

Ron Romero provided a handout of Wyoming and Anaheim and requested GABAC comments within a couple weeks.

### **Bernalillo County**

Julie Luna provided a Report:

o Alameda Drain and Trail Mater Plan Public Meeting is Wednesday, August 17, 2016. A handout (one page) was provided.

### Outstanding Items/Follow up

Signal Timing-

o San Pedro continues to be a major concern.

Formally Request that Traffic Engineering attend GABAC meetings.

Motion (Scott Hale), 2<sup>nd</sup> (Dan Majewski) - Unanimous

### **Discussion/Action Item(s)**

Paradise Widening – Discussion occurred with no action item identified

Silver Bike Boulevard - Discussion occurred, GABAC doesn't love it, but agree it will be better. No action item identified

Bike Lanes/Gaps on San Pedro - Discussion occurred, GABAC stated the gaps need to be finished.

No action item identified

### Meeting Adjourned at 6:35 pm



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### GREATER ALBUQUERQUE BICYCLING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT, PO BOX 1293 ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87103 (505) 768-3658

Richard J. Berry, Mayor

Monday, August 8, 2016 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. 7th Floor Conference Room, Room 7096

Old City Hall, (Fifth/Marquette NW)

- Welcome and Introductions
- Approval of the Agenda
- **Approval of July 2016 Meeting Minutes**
- **Public Comment**

Please register on the sign-in sheet. Comments are generally limited to two minutes or less.

**Announcements/Administrative** 

Meeting Format..... Eric Froberg, Ty Linn consultant to DMD

- -Please wait until recognized to begin Comment/Questions
- -Written Questions/Comments and/or Response may be requested
- **Presentation** 
  - Irving Boulevard Improvements: Golf Course to Unser.....
- **GABAC Member Reports**
- Staff Reports

### **DMD Engineering**

- DMD Staff Report
- Outstanding Items/Follow up Items:
  - Signal timing
  - Street maintenance work planned for Eagle Ranch in context of Paradise
  - Upcoming public meetingsHeadline / Tiburon issues

  - o Alvarado and Menaul Crossing Evaluation
  - Rio Grande Re-striping
  - Ladera Drive Improvements
  - New GABAC member udpates
  - Staff updates

**Council Services** Parks and Recreation APD **Planning** 

### **Bernalillo County** NMDOT District 3 **MRCOG**

### Discussion/Action Item(s)

- Signal timing
- Paradise Widening
- Silver Bike Boulevard
- Bike Lanes/Gaps on San Pedro
- Campus Improvements: Girard to Carlisle
- Adjourn

Next Regularly Scheduled GABAC Meeting: September 12, 2016

Doug Stiebler (City At-Large); VACANT (City-At-Large); Dan Majewski (City-NE); VACANT (City-SW); Scott Hale, (City-NW); Ed Hillsman, (City SE); Moises Gonzalez (EPC); VACANT (Unincorporated East); Scot Key (Unincorporated West) Members:

City Staff: Debbie Bauman, DMD, Engineering (768-3649)

Notice: If you are a person with a disability and require assistance to participate in this meeting,

please call 768-2680, 72 (72) hours prior to the meeting. TTY users may access this

number via NM Relay at 1-800-659-8331.



Douglas Stiebler

**GABAC MEMBERS** (Please Initial)

### **GABAC**





### **SIGN-IN SHEET**

MONDAY, August 08, 2016- 4:30 p.m. 7th Floor Conference Room 7096, City Hall, (Fifth/Marquette NW)

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Ed Hillsman	bolf.	Dan Majewski	_pm				
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Scott Hale	3M)	Moises Gonzalez					
Scot Key	7						
STAFF MEMBERS (Please Initial and/or Sign) Note: Please place a check before your name if you wish to provide information							
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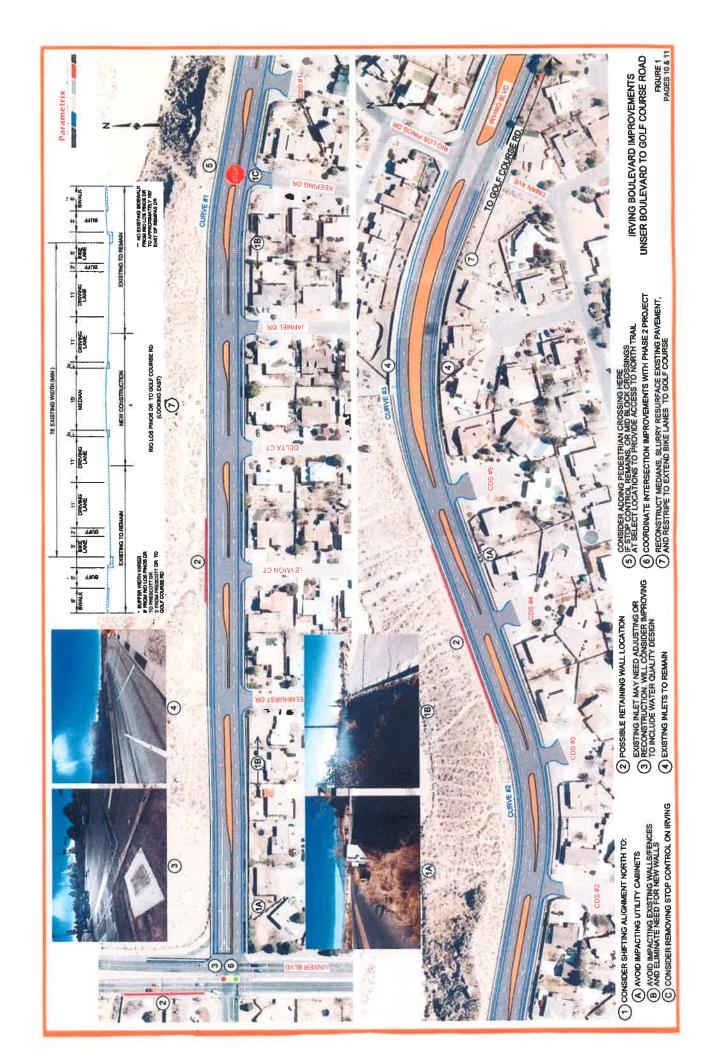
### **VISITOR SIGN-IN SHEET**

### MONDAY, August 08, 2016 - 4:30 p.m. 7th Floor Conference Room 7096, City Hall, (Fifth/Marquette NW)

Note: Please place a check before your name if you wish to provide public input.

(Please Print Full Name – First and Last)

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Jason Coffey, COA Parks and Recreation, GABAC Staff Report

At the June 21 GARTC meeting there was a presentation from NMDOT regarding the I25 and Rio Bravo project. GARTC expressed concerns about the number of crossing trail users would be required to take to access the University Trail from Rio Bravo. The Chair of GARTC is writing a letter to NMDOT to express concerns about the proposed configuration in the 30% plans and offer to assist in reviewing the plans and providing feedback at the 60% design level. GARTC has requested NMDOT present the 60% plans at the August 16, 2016 meeting.

- At the May GABAC meeting I was asked to provide a list of all trail projects for the next year. Below is a list of what I know is currently planned. But, I cannot say for certain other issues will not arise during the next year that we will need to address. Below is an update for July.
  - o Paseo de la Mesa. This project is complete.
  - o **Bollards Phase 3**. Project is complete.
  - o Black Arroyo Trail. No change from July. The Black Arroyo Trail from Hunter's Run Park to Ellison will have the retaining wall extended about 400' beyond the Seven Bar Loop bridge to help keep dirt from washing onto the trail. The trail itself will get a crack seal/fill and seal coat overlay from the park to Ellison. The project will take about two weeks to complete but I do not have a schedule yet. The project is on AMAFCA property and an Encroachment License must be executed prior to any work. The License is being reviewed for signature routing currently.
  - o Bear Canyon Bridge. No change from July. The Bear Canyon Bridge over I-25 has needed several patches to the surface and Park Management is monitoring the recent patches and will do more work as needed. No closures have taken place or are currently scheduled. But, see the item below, recommendations maybe implemented but the scope of that work is not yet known.
- The Bridge and Trail Evaluation Study has started and the bridge inventory and assessment is the first part of the project. To date 33 bridges have been inspected. The trail inventory has begun and the consultants are riding the trails and taking videos. I am working with City staff and the consultants on how best to set up the GIS component of the project. Questions include who will house the data, whose server, and how will the data management work flow be structured.
- The Bridge and Trail Evaluation Study is gearing up to start on the signage portion of the project and I would like to be on the September agenda to so we can begin the conversation about the signage. Please keep in mind that this will not be a comprehensive wayfinding system for the trail network. Instead, this is only going include a mile marker system and standard detail drawings for signage at trail and street intersections. But GABAC's thoughts and input will be very helpful.
- Parks is participating in the West I40 Channel Extension project. The project is primarily a
  drainage project but an extension of the I40 trail was included in the design. AMAFCA and DMD
  are participating in the drainage portion and Parks has been asked to pay for the trail portion.
   Parks has \$300K funding for the design and construction. The design has been complete for

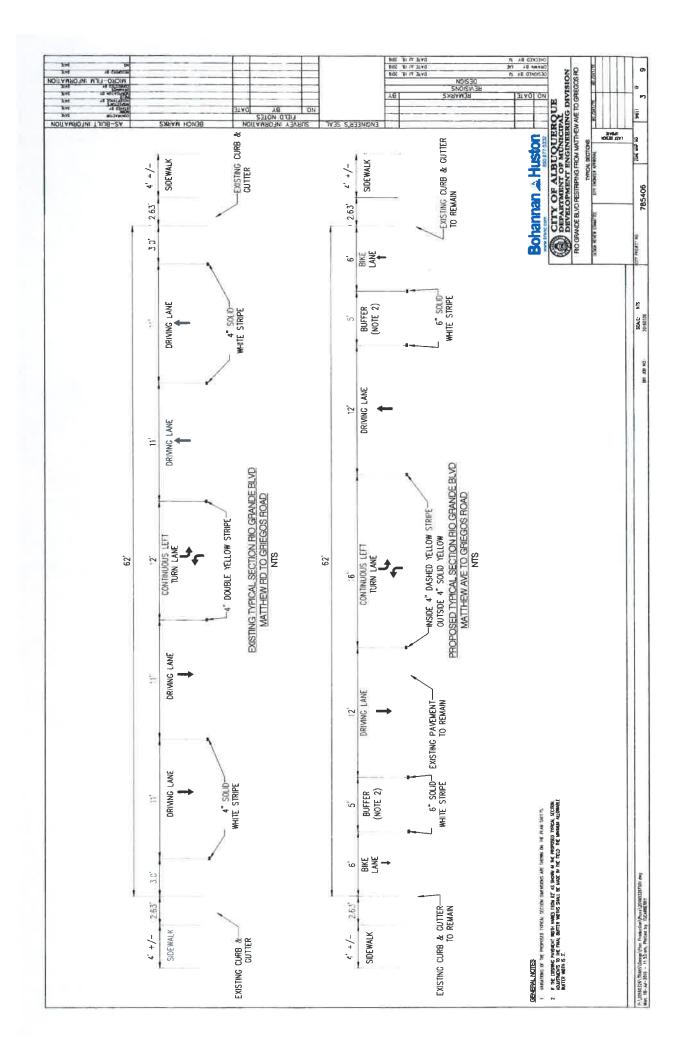
some time but the funding has been uncertain until recently, so now the project is going forward and an amendment to the original agreement between DMD and AMAFCA is being reviewed by legal staff to include the trail funding. The project will extend the I40 trail from where it currently ends west of Unser to 98<sup>th</sup> St and then turn north and terminate at the south east corner of Ladera Dr and 98<sup>th</sup> St.

### August 8, 2016 GABAC Meeting

### **DMD Staff Report**

- Irving Boulevard Improvements from Golf Course to Unser: Project has just been initiated. A conceptual alternative was submitted by the consultant but is still being evaluated. The proposed improvements include the narrowing of medians and the installation of bike lanes. The project will be presented to the Committee at the August meeting.
- Bike Map: Map was revised and included comments received by GABAC.
   DMD will be working with the Committee to update for the next printing to coincide with Balloon Fiesta, per GABAC suggestion.
  - The updates that DMD is already planning to make were provided to Ed for his review and additions. Whatever changes are requested for the next printing will need approval from the Administration
- University Boulevard Phase II: This project is at 60% and should be scheduled for a presentation at the September GABAC meeting. The project has federal funding in 2017
- Central and Unser Improvements: This project is approaching 60% and should be scheduled for a presentation at the September GABAC meeting. The project has federal funding in 2017.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Street between Coal and Bridge
  - Re-stripe to include parking lane and bike lane per Councilor recommendation
  - This section of 4<sup>th</sup> street is listed on the long range bike map as a bike lane
- Jeff Speck Downtown Walkability Study Implementation:
  - o Evaluation of 13 signals and their need is in progress
- Zuni Re-striping:
  - o Re-paving/re-striping underway
- Comanche: no additional treatments are proposed
- Campus: No plans to implement improvements at this time

- Headline/Tiberon signage: pinned curb has been installed along with retroreflective pavement markings on the curbs. No other treatments are proposed at this time
- Rio Grande Re-striping between Griegos and Matthew: 30% plans have been submitted to Engineering for review. Proposed typical section has been provided to GABAC for the August meeting
- Alvarado and Menaul crossing: Council has requested that Engineering review the intersection and develop concepts to improve. A conceptual treatment was suggested by Council, although Engineering has not evaluated it yet.
- Ladera Drive: Bike lanes, buffer and trail are included in the design. Construction to begin this summer. Typical section has been provided to GABAC. There are currently no bike facilities in the project limits but are included in the proposed project as per the Long Range Bikeways Plan and the Bikeways and Trails Facility Plan
- Bike Friendly Community (LAB) Application: application to be submitted first week of August
- Engineering Staff updates / vacancy:
  - There is no job description in Engineering termed "Bike Coordinator"
  - The vacancy that is assigned to work with GABAC is an M15 Transportation Planner position
  - Engineering is working with Human Resources to redefine the current position in order to re-classify for a Transportation and Bicycle Program Coordinator
  - Bryan Wolfe has been temporarily assigned to Street Maintenance Division
  - Keith Reed has been temporarily assigned as the DMD Deputy Director
- New GABAC member updates:
  - o There are 3 vacancies on the Committee
  - Engineering has not received any information whether or not any new applications have come in nor do we have information as to whether or not the previously submitted applicant has been approved
  - Request of current GABAC members to let Debbie know what their term limits are and when terms expire. Conflicting information from Boards and Commissions



### Subject: Alvarado and Menual Crossing

Bryan,

FYI and for your records regarding the Alvarado and Menaul Crossing, Chris Sylvan found this crossing design.

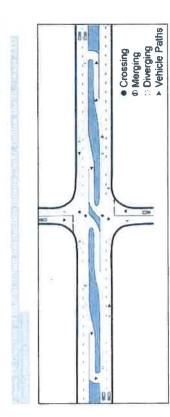
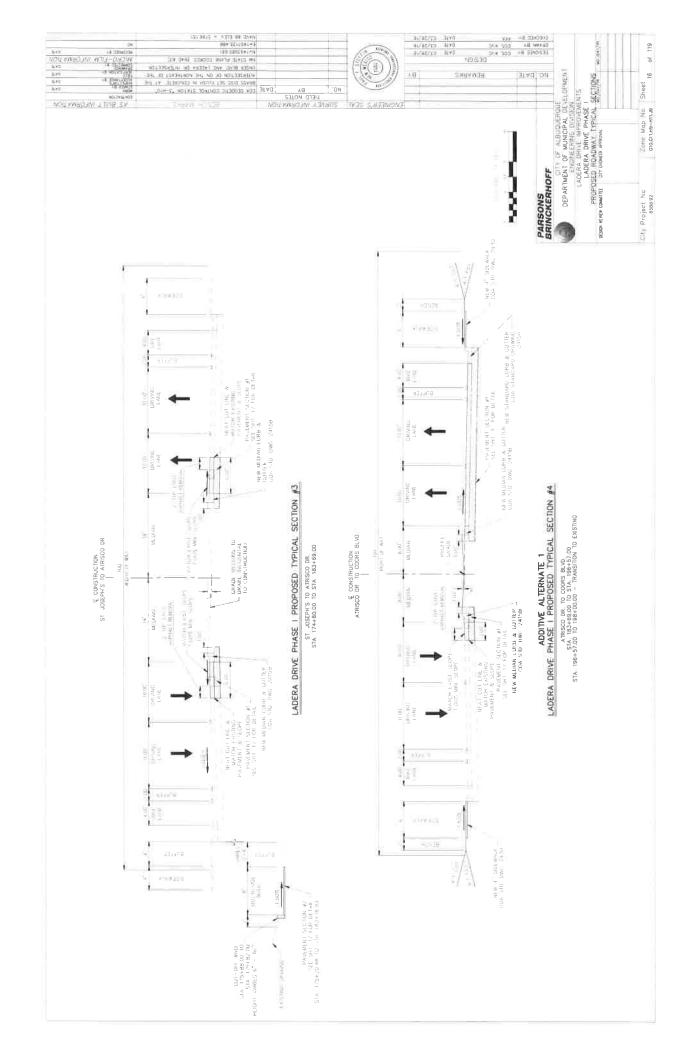
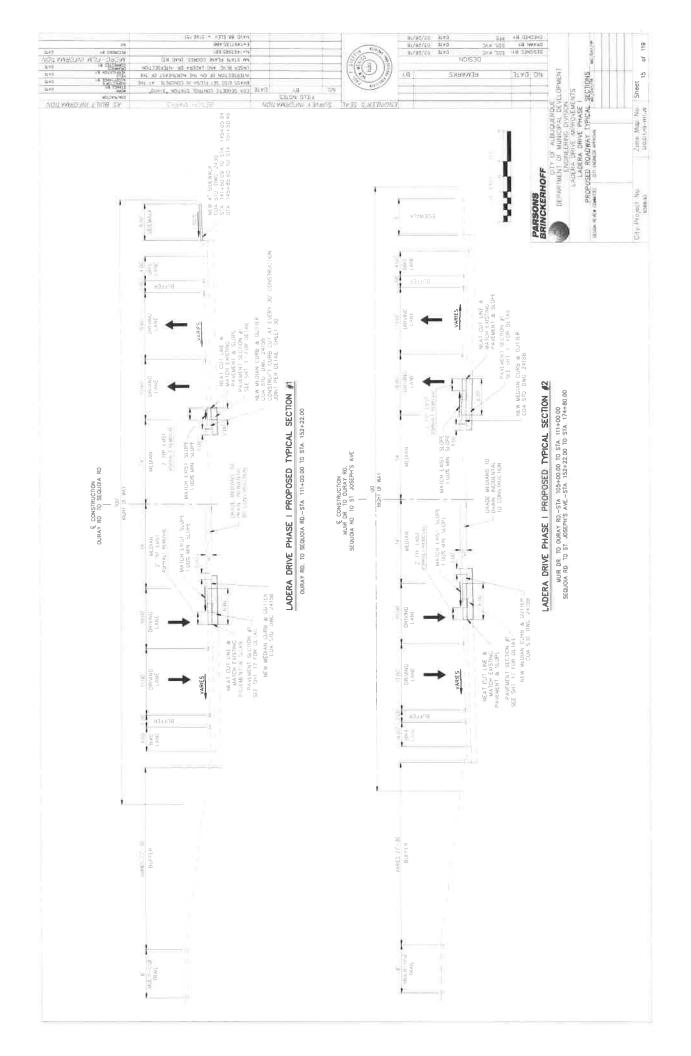


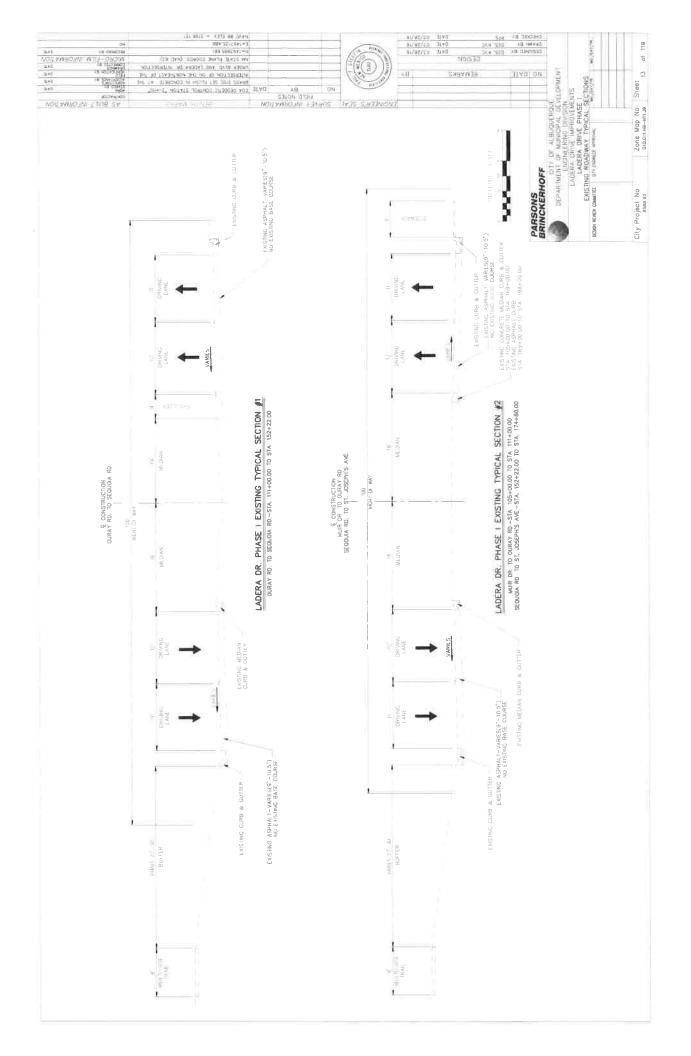
Figure 90. Diagram of Restricted Crossing U-Turn Intersection (Image Credit: Debbie Murillo, Texas A&M Transportation Institute)

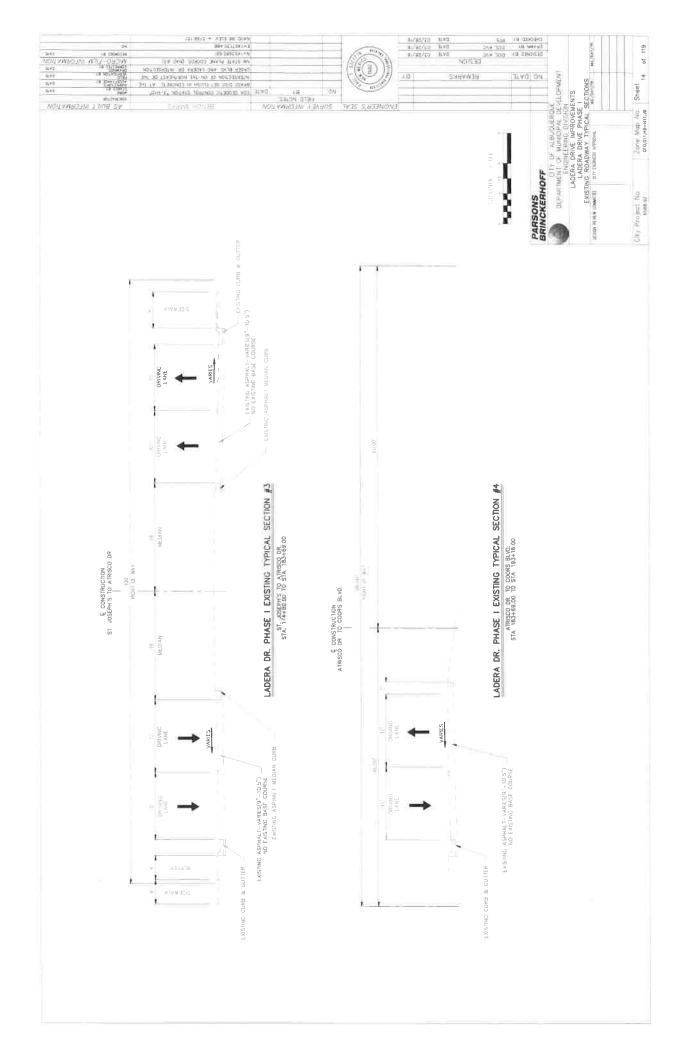
Anticipated Benefits to Aging Road Users: While modem roundabouts can be found in many parts of the country, these alternative intersections are more isolated and can present some challenges to drivers who have not seen them before, particularly aging drivers. These designs are the subject of a great deal of research at the current time, with studies investigating operational efficiencies and geometric design requirements. Specific benefits for aging drivers are a subject worthy of further exploration, but indications are that they can improve operations and safety for aging drivers as with the driving population as a whole.

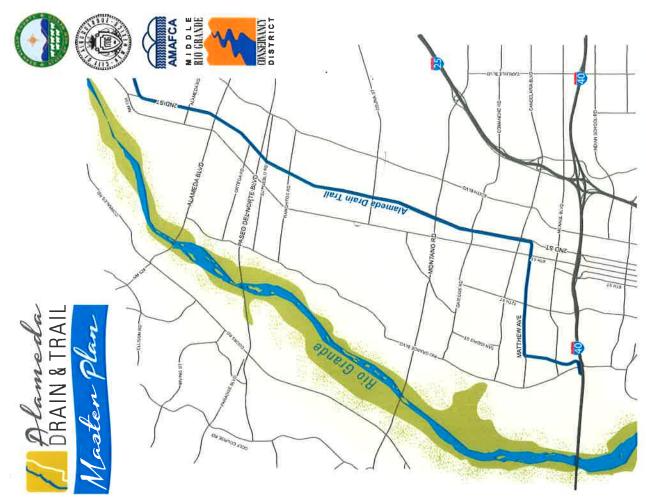
As with roundabouts, alternative intersections may require additional outreach and educational efforts to help aging drivers understand what to expect when approaching them, as the geometric patterns of these alternative forms may appear to be complex designs; however, evaluation and observation show that users do find them easy to navigate. FHWA's Every Day Courts 2 initiative has listed "Intersections with Displaced Left-turns or Variations on U-turns" among the treatments for Intersection and Interchange Geometrics that state departments of transportation should consider to reduce conflicts and improve safety. Additional information on these designs and their respective features and benefits can be found at the Alternative Intersections website (www.alternativeintersections org).











## Wednesday, August 17,2016, 6:00 to 8:00pm

LOCATION: Los Griegos Health and Social Services Center

The Public Works Division of Bernalillo AMAFCA, invite you to participate in a County, and agency partners MRGCD, public meeting for the Alameda Drain & Trail Master Plan. The Master Plan will guide the future development of a multi-use trail along the Alameda the City of Albuquerque, and Drain.

process and summarizing the proposed and trail amenities. Join us for a short presentation at 6:30pm detailing the and 8:00 pm on Wednesday, August and Social Services Center to learn about the final preferred alignment 17, 2016 at the Los Griegos Health Stop in at any time between 6:00 Drain & Trail design solutions.

-oop, just south of the North Diversion portion of the Alameda Drain from Rio The Master Plan corridor includes the Channel, a length of approximately Grande Boulevard north to Cynthia nine miles.

activity for the Master Plan, which will oe finalized following a final comment nove into the design and construction period that will end on September 1, Plan and download a comment form 2016. You may preview the Master A segment of the corridor will then This is the final public involvement from the project website at: www. bernco.gov/alamedadrainproject. phase.

# ALAMEDA DRAIN & TRAIL MASTER PLAN - PUBLIC MEETING

LOS GRIEGOS HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES CÉNTER, 1231 CANDELARIA NW ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87107 WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2016, 6:00 TO 8:00pm,

Can't make the meeting but want more information?

Contact County Project Manager

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