

Project Concept Report

This is a conceptual report. The project features and layouts will be further refined through planning and design phases.

Project: Florida Blvd. Corridor Enhancement (I-110 to Airline)

Date: November 21, 2019



CONCEPT REPORT



Image above represents broad outline of the project area as shown in 2018 MOVEBR tax plan proposition

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MOVEBR Program ID:	CEP-56
Project Length (feet):	26,500
Estimated Cost:	\$48,000,000
Funded from Proposition:	\$24,000,000

PROJECT OVERVIEW

This project is proposed to enhance pedestrian and cyclist mobility. Right-of-way space will be considered to identify opportunities to improve sidewalks and provide bicycle accommodations where feasible as well as improve sidewalk access to current transit stops, thereby enhancing multi-modal access throughout the corridor. Florida Blvd. is a current bus route and a potential Bus Rapid Transit route. The CATS Bus Terminal at N. 22nd St. is located along this corridor, is a high pedestrian traffic area. There are several areas with disconnected sidewalks, so sidewalk connectivity is also proposed corridor-wide. High visibility crosswalks at all intersections and pedestrian countdown signals at signalized intersections will also be considered.

Current Condition:	Four-lane undivided w/sidewalks (I-110 to N. Beck St.) Six-lane divided w/sidewalks (N. Beck St. to Airline Hwy.)
Proposed Condition:	See Typical Sections for Preliminary Concept Alternates. During later phases, other alternate improvements will be developed and finalized with input from the public.





PROJECT STATUS

This project is currently in the planning phase.

COMPLETE STREETS

The MOVEBR Program has developed design guidelines that aim to institutionalize the Complete Streets policy by accommodating pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit users, regardless of age and ability.

DRAINAGE AND GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE CONSIDERATIONS

Among the drainage considerations for this specific project are the following:

A portion or all of this project is located within Flood Zone AE, which is considered a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA).

This project location is in an area identified as an "estimated inundation area" from the 2016 floods. This map can be viewed at https://www.arcgis.com/home/webmap/viewer.html?webmap=cb332217bdab4572b4930e02d https://www.arcgis.com/home/webmap/viewer.html?webmap=cb332217bdab4572b4930e02d

Existing drainage for this project area utilizes a closed (sub-surfaced) system. (From I-110 to N. Beck St.)

Existing drainage for the project area utilizes an open (ditch) system. (From N. Beck St. to Airline Hwy.)

The project budget will consider funding for green infrastructure to improve water quality and mitigate impacts of stormwater runoff. Examples of green infrastructure include but are not limited to porous pavement, creation or maintenance of a tree canopy, bioswales, planter boxes, rain gardens, and land conservation efforts.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

Initial reviews support the following;

Environmental considerations have been identified and must be reviewed and potentially addressed, which may include Cultural Resources, Underground Storage Tanks needing remediation, and railroad impacts.

*Note that this is not exhaustive of possible future environmental considerations.





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TRAFFIC & SIGNALIZATION INTERSECTIONS

The Projected Average Daily Traffic (ADT) for year 2042 is 55,500 (east end near Airline Hwy.).

The current concept supports turn lanes at major intersections for budget purposes. Future traffic studies will identify locations for turn lanes, median openings and connections (driveways, side streets etc.).

Signal systems will be upgraded as a part of future projects if required due to future configurations.

UTILITIES CONSIDERATIONS

A preliminary assessment of the project area provides for the utilities listed below. Potential utility relocation costs will be included in the project budget if the infrastructure is located within the utility's own servitude.

Possible Utilities	Existing	Adjust/Relocate
Overhead Electric	•	TBD
Underground Electric	•	TBD
Water	•	TBD
Sanitary Sewer	•	TBD
Telephone	•	TBD
CATV/Fiber	•	TBD
Gas Distribution	•	TBD
Gas HP Pipeline	•	TBD

RIGHT OF WAY CONSIDERATIONS

Minimal residential or commercial right of way acquisitions are anticipated at this time.

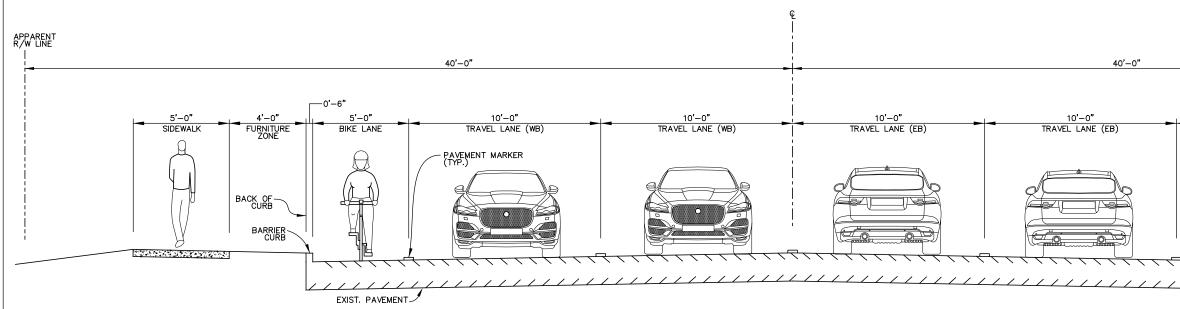




PROJECT CONCEPT PLANS

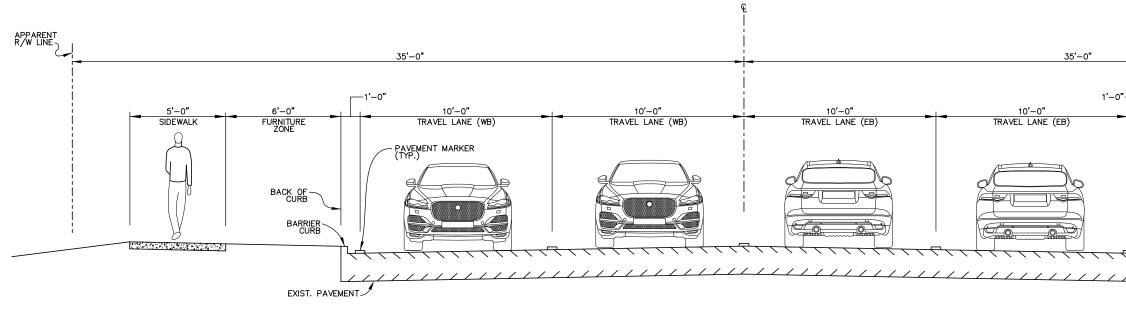
The following pages provide a potential solution(s) for the proposed project. The project features and layouts, shown within the typical section(s) and concept plans, will be further refined through planning and design phases of the project.







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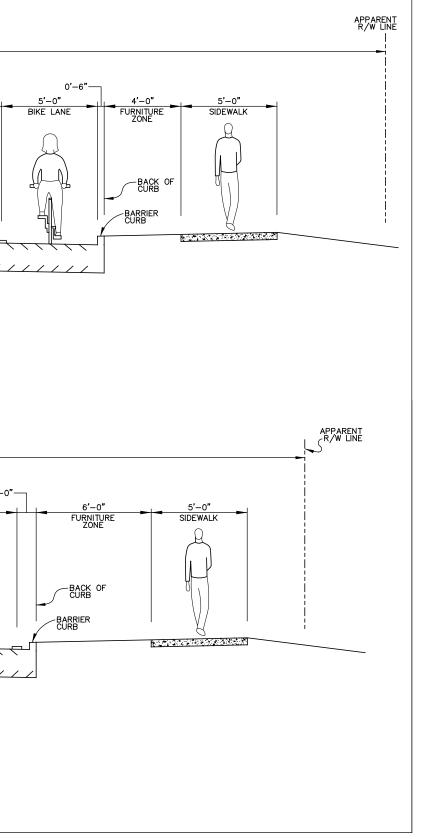


PRELIMINARY CONCEPT ALTERNATE (N. 22ND ST. TO PEACHTREE BLVD.) SCALE: 1"=5'

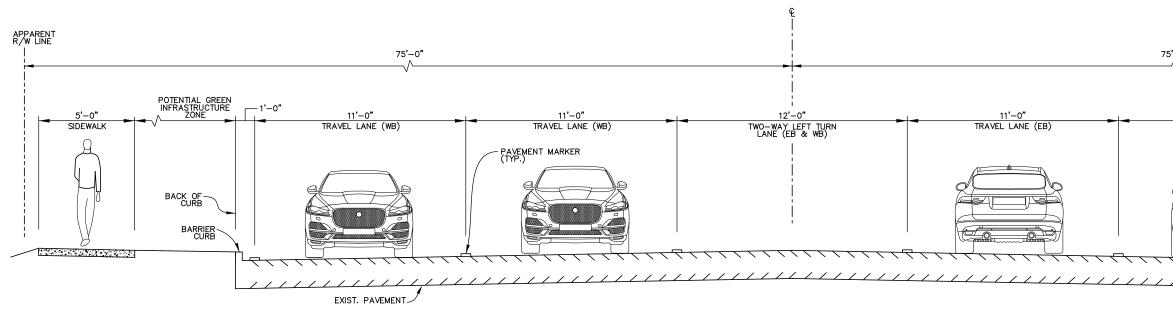
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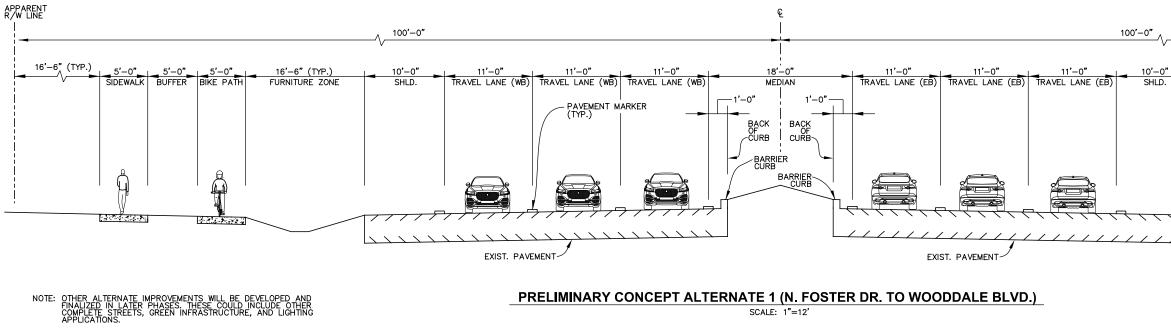


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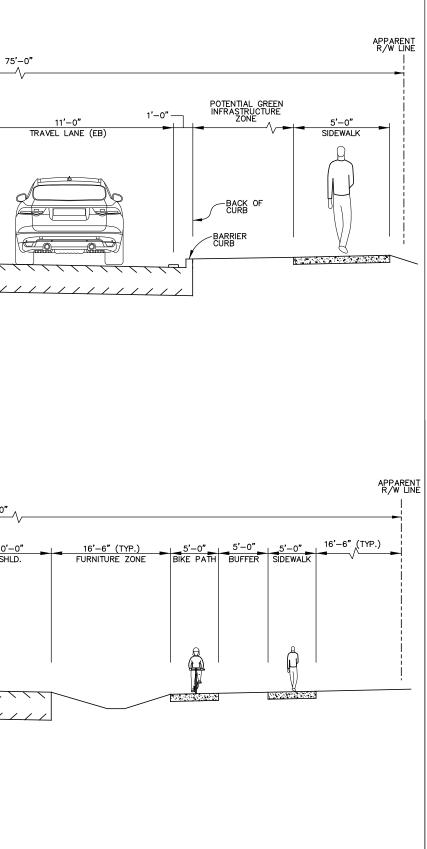
PRELIMINARY CONCEPT ALTERNATE 1 (PEACHTREE BLVD. TO N. FOSTER DR.)



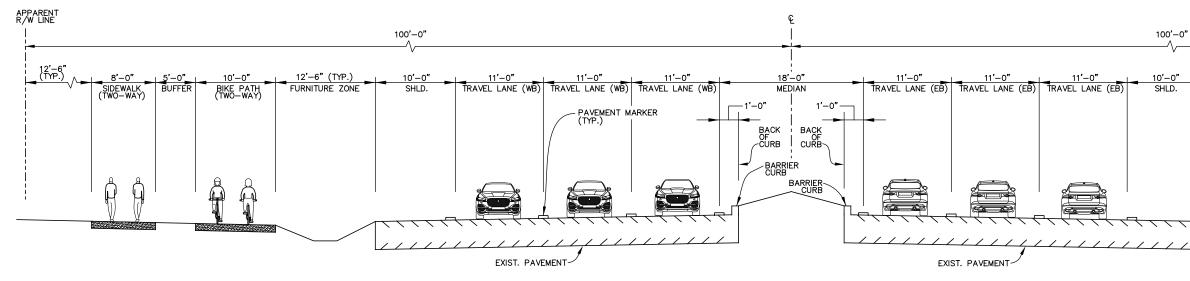




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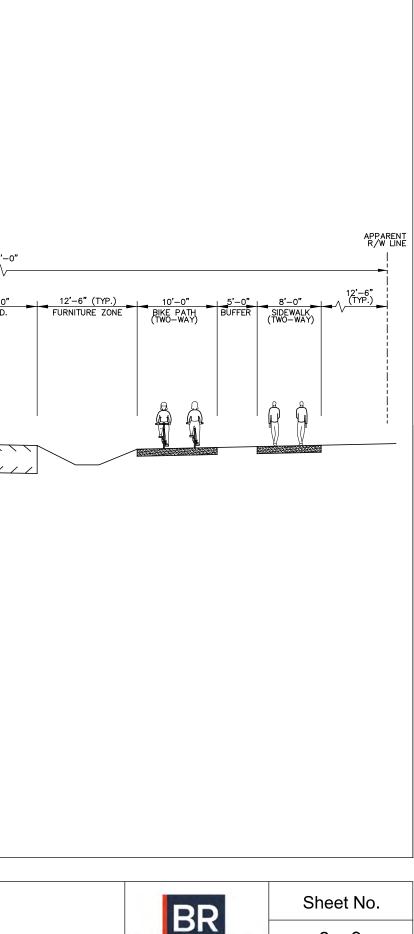
PRELIMINARY CONCEPT ALTERNATE 2 (N. FOSTER DR. TO WOODDALE BLVD.)

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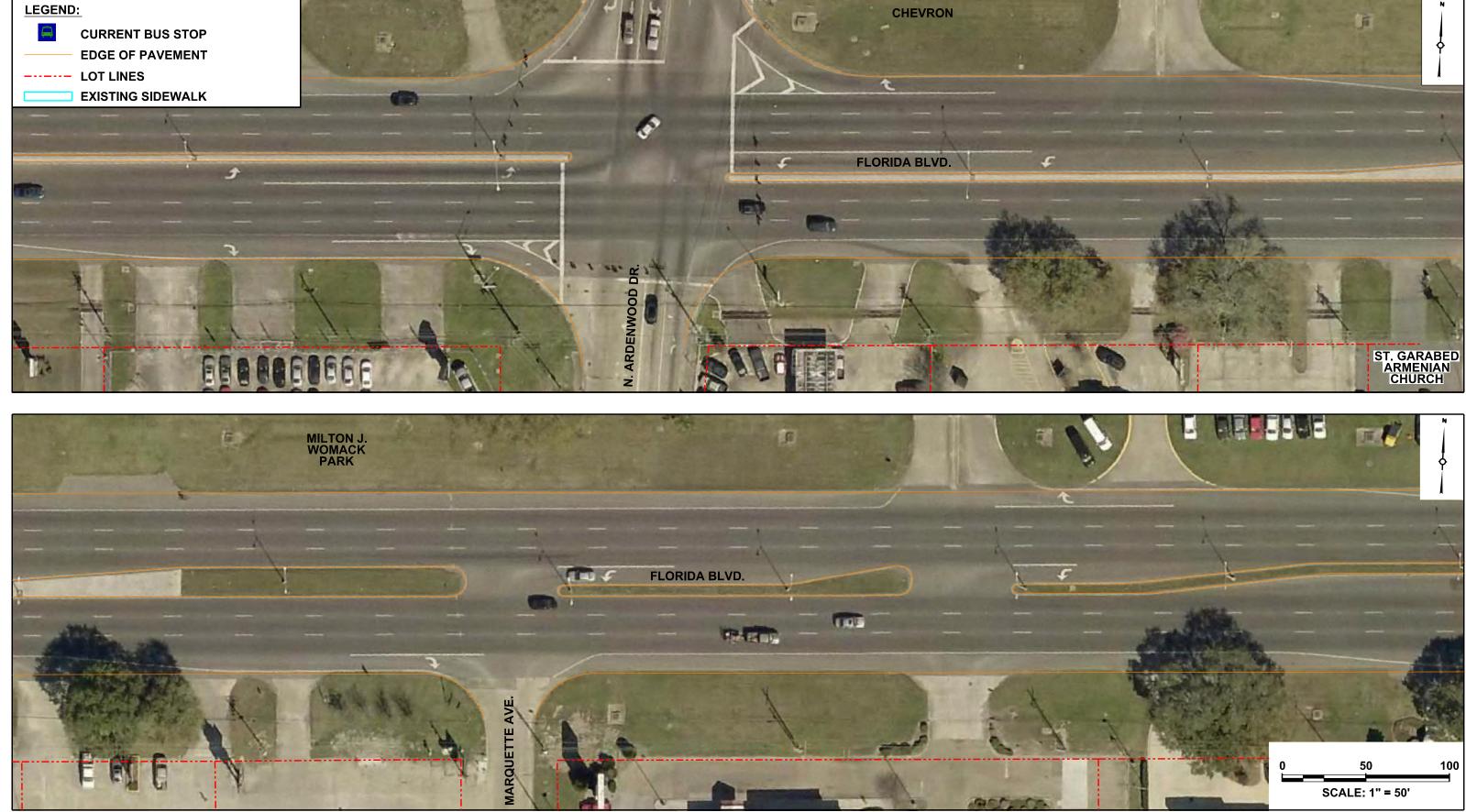






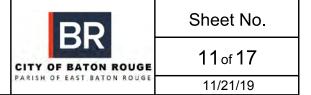


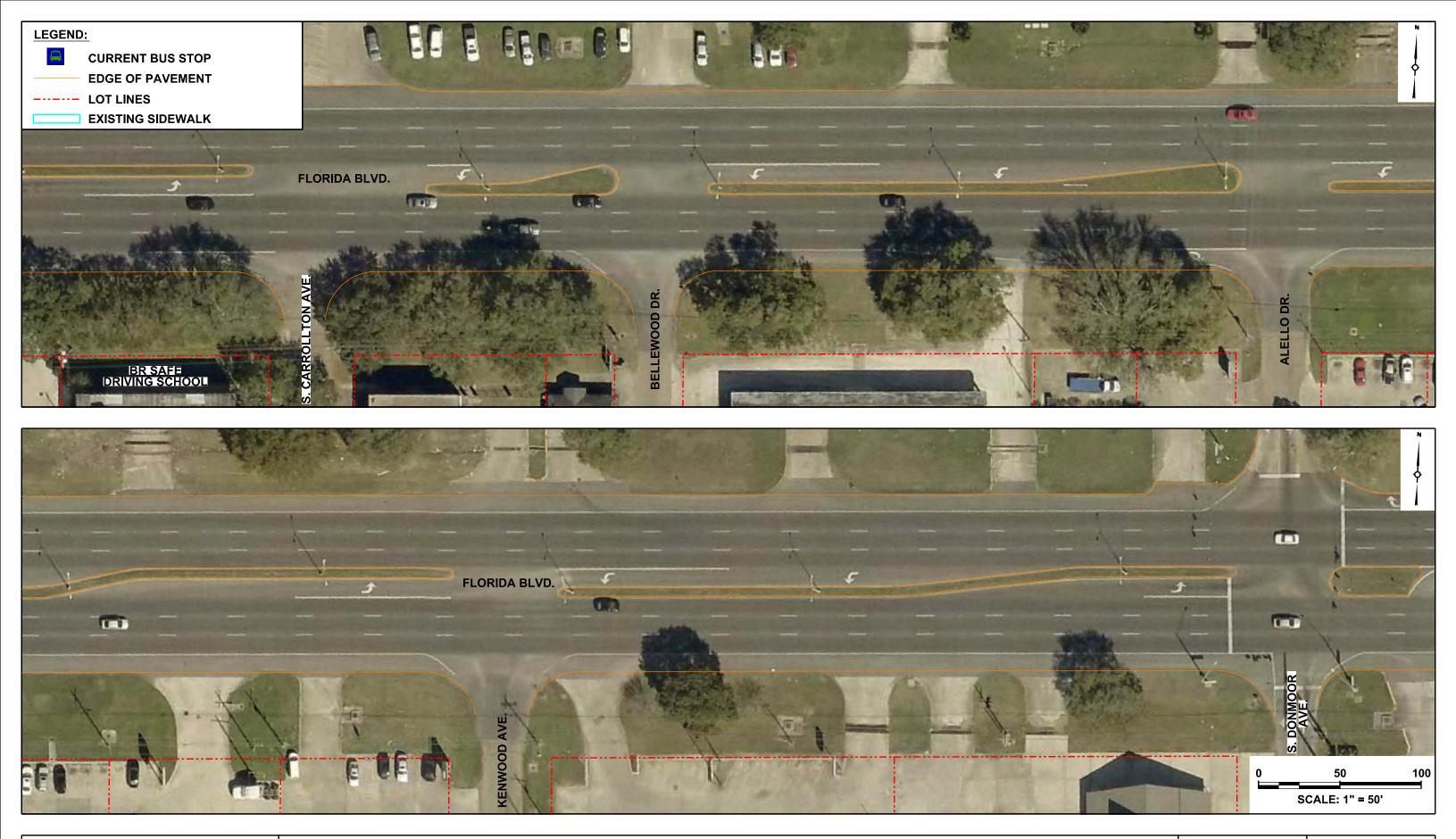






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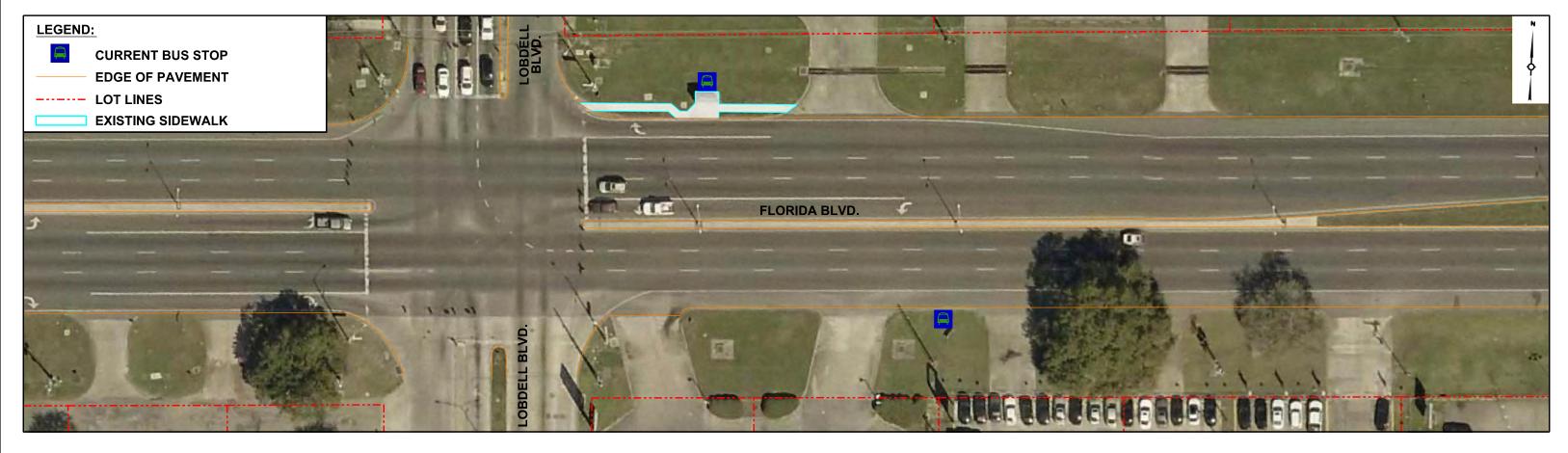


























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