

# City Heights Project Working Group Open House

Safety Improvement Project, University Avenue from Fairmount to Euclid

Tuesday, April 26, 2016, 7:30 to 8:30 pm, City Heights Recreation Center, 4380 Landis Street



Dear City Heights Business Owner,

University Avenue between Fairmount and Euclid has one of the highest densities of pedestrian crashes in the City of San Diego. As part of the Mayor's Vision Zero effort, this complete street project has been initiated to improve the safety of all modes of travel. The project working group has identified four long term layout options, and an interim option that can be implemented with a repaving project this fall.

Existing Layout:



The interim option involves merging the two eastbound lanes into a single lane between Fairmount and Euclid to improve safety. Computer modeling shows that this barely has any effect on congestion, but it can be undone if necessary. The interim option also involves creating a pedestrian refuge at University & 44<sup>th</sup> similar to the one at University & Menlo to improve pedestrian safety. Northbound and southbound traffic on 44<sup>th</sup> will only be allowed to turn right at University, but this is already what most drivers do there today.

Interim Layout Option:

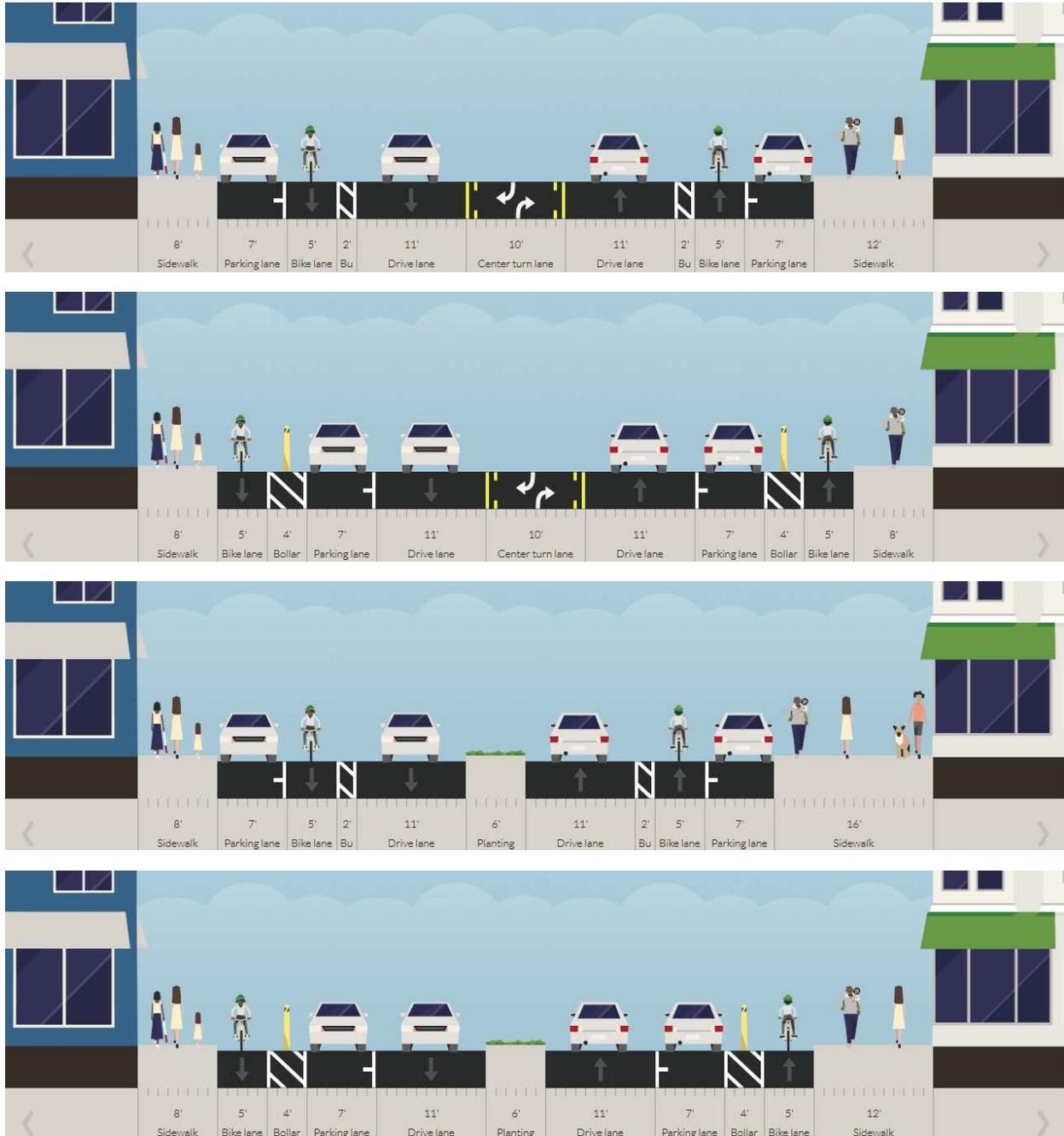


The longer term layout options include roundabouts at Highland, Chamoune, and Menlo. Roundabouts are by far the safest intersection option for all modes, and they are also good for business. If the proposed roundabouts are approved, the City will work very closely with businesses near these intersections to accommodate any parking or driveway changes as the roundabouts are being designed. In addition, the project working group has identified the need to improve safety as large trucks are being unloaded. If proposed commercial loading zones are approved, the City will work very closely with interested businesses to determine how many zones are needed, at what time of day they are needed, and how long the zones should be. More trees and street lights are also being proposed.



Additional long term layout options include a wider sidewalk area, protected bicycle lanes, or center medians that would require left turning traffic to proceed to the next roundabout and make a U-turn instead.

Four Long-term Layout Options:



Please consider attending the open house to learn more about this project and to provide feedback to the project working group. You may also contact Phil Rust with the City of San Diego at [prust@sandiego.gov](mailto:prust@sandiego.gov) to get involved.