

CITY OF MOUNT VERNON

TRANSPORTATION
ISSUES, CHALLENGES
AND
PRIORITIES

TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING

MOUNT VERNON, WASHINGTON

APRIL 17, 2012

Issues, Challenges and Priorities

- Traffic capacity
- Increased economic vitality
- Value for investment dollars
- Preservation and maintenance

I-5 College Way Underpass



Conceptual rendering of completed project –

WSDOT completed value planning study in April 2011

- Reduces traffic delay by up to 50%
- Increases safety
- Supports economic vitality in primary commercial corridor
- Relatively low cost – delays need for interchange rebuild (\$6 million vs. \$30 million)

I-5 College Way Underpass

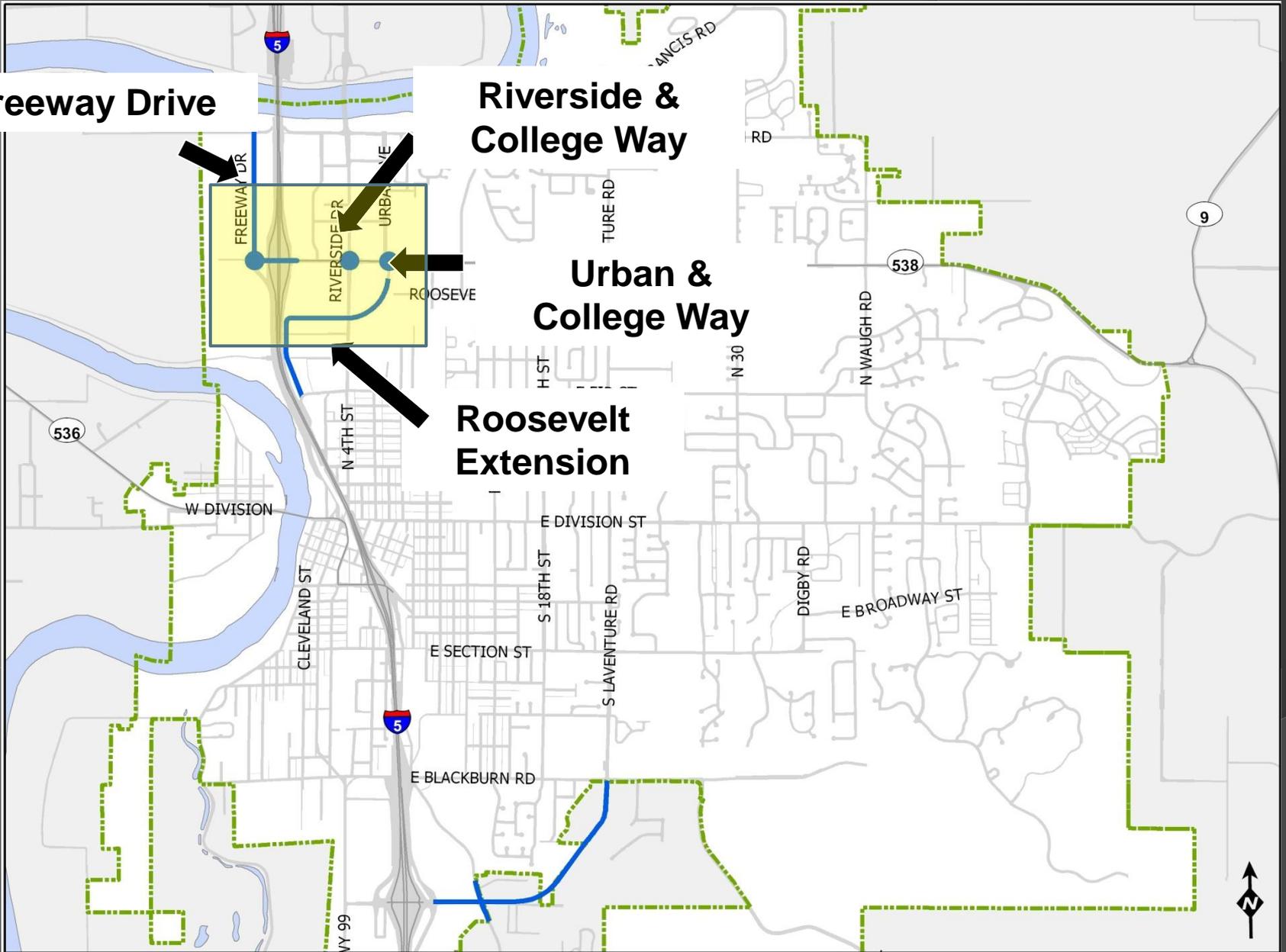
- Two additional general purpose lanes
- Eliminates key choke point in the Mount Vernon/Burlington urban area
- Fulfills safety, capacity, construction goals
- Fulfills 5 of 6 policy goals

Freeway Drive

**Riverside &
College Way**

**Urban &
College Way**

**Roosevelt
Extension**



Freeway Drive Completed 2010- 2011



Funding partners: City of Mount Vernon,
TIB, Distressed Counties Economic
Development Grant, Walmart



Riverside Drive / College Way

Completed 2009



Funding partners: City of Mount Vernon,
TIB, Distressed Counties Economic
Development Grant, Federal STP,
WSDOT partnership

Urban Avenue / College Way



Funding partners: City of Mount Vernon
& Federal STP funds

Roosevelt/Urban Extension



- Permitting & design work is underway – construction (pictured above) by 2013.
- Goal to promote economic growth in City's commercial zone, reduce traffic congestion on SR 538 (College Way), avoid crossing BNSF tracks. Provides linkage of Cameron Way, Riverside Drive, Urban Avenue.
- Federal funding of \$3.2 million

Economic Vitality

Downtown/Riverfront Revitalization Project

Non motorized
transportation via
24' wide
promenade

1.2 miles of trail
along the
waterfront and
connection to
Kulshan Trail
system citywide

Certified Flood
Wall

Transformation of
Downtown Mount
Vernon





Phase 1 – completed 2010 Floodwall and Riverwalk



Riverfront Revitalization Project - Phase 2



Floodwall, Riverwalk, and Plaza – beginning 2012!

Phase 2 (Plaza)



Riverfront Park

Phase 3 – Floodwall, Rivertrail, and Levees



LaVenture / Anderson Road Extension

Top Project for Local Governments

- Reduces traffic on College Way (SR 538)
- Reduces traffic congestion on I-5
- Connects an existing interchange to city grid
- Improves access to points east on SR 9

Preservation and Maintenance

Overlays
Slurry Seals
Chip Seals
Crack Sealing
Reconstruct

