



WALK PICO!

A CATALYST FOR COMMUNITY, VITALITY AND CONNECTIVITY

Westside Neighborhood Council
Governing Board/Stakeholder Meeting
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Westside Neighborhood Council

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PROJECT TEAM

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PROJECT LEAD/LANDSCAPE DESIGN

PROJECT BUDGET

\$1,618,984 – 2013 Metro Grant

\$460,248– City Local Match

TOTAL: \$2,301,243

PROJECT BACKGROUND

In Partnership With:

Westside Neighborhood Council and Council District 5 – Paul Koretz

History:

Previous Community Outreach and Feedback

Pico Boulevard Beautification Master Plan

Livable Boulevards Streetscape Plan (Pico/Patricia)

West Los Angeles Transportation Improvement and Mitigation Specific Plan

Pedestrian Oriented District (POD)

Project Purpose:

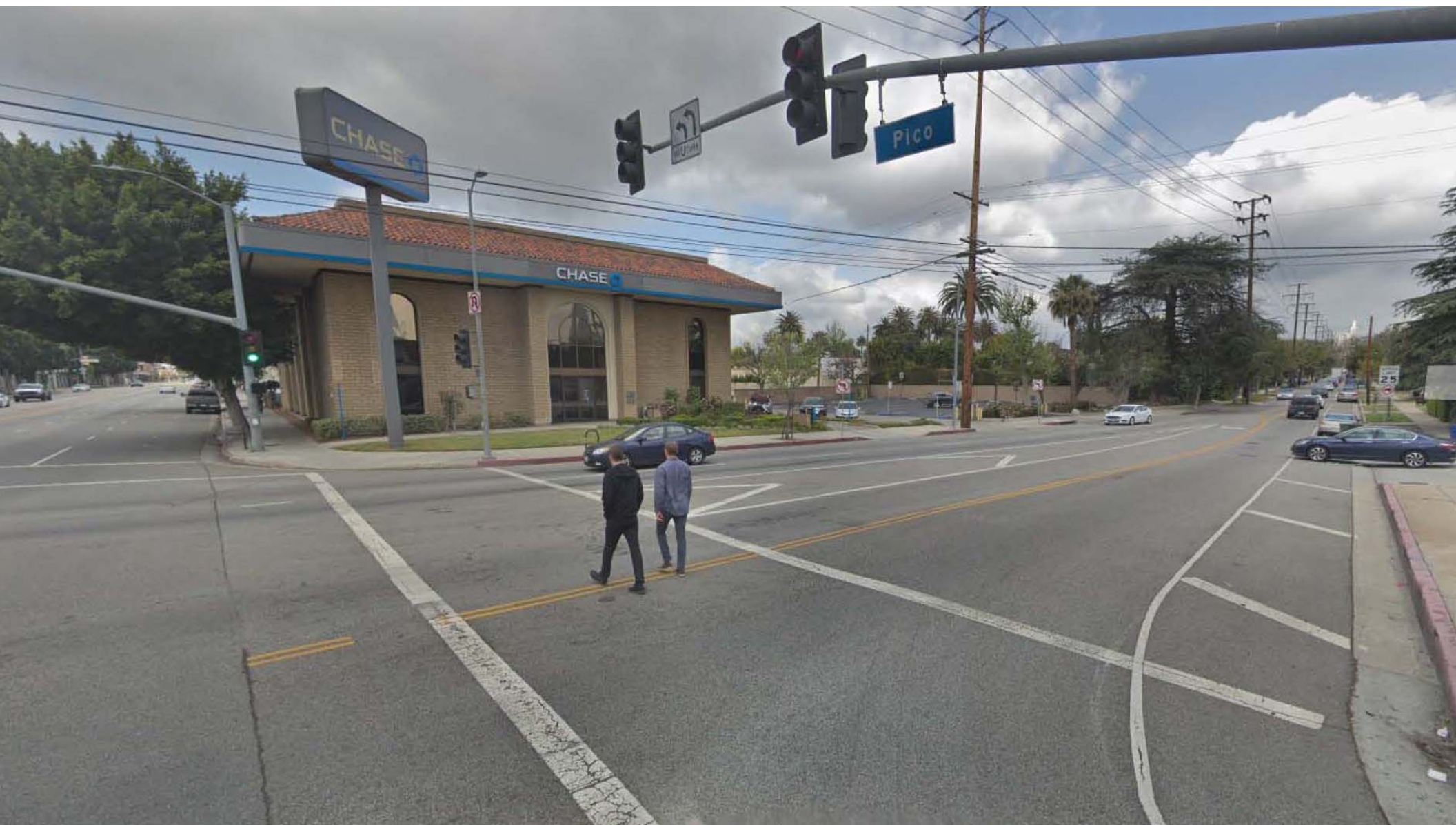
Strengthen community vitality and connectivity to local bus lines, the Expo/Sepulveda and Westwood Rail stops; as well as promoting neighborhood walkability, pedestrian safety and overall improvement of quality of life for business owners and residents.

Supported By:

- Westside Neighborhood Council
- Council District 5 – Paul Koretz
- Local Residents and Stakeholders
- Overland Avenue Community
- Westwood South
- Cheviot Hills Homeowners Association
- Westwood Gardens Homeowners Association

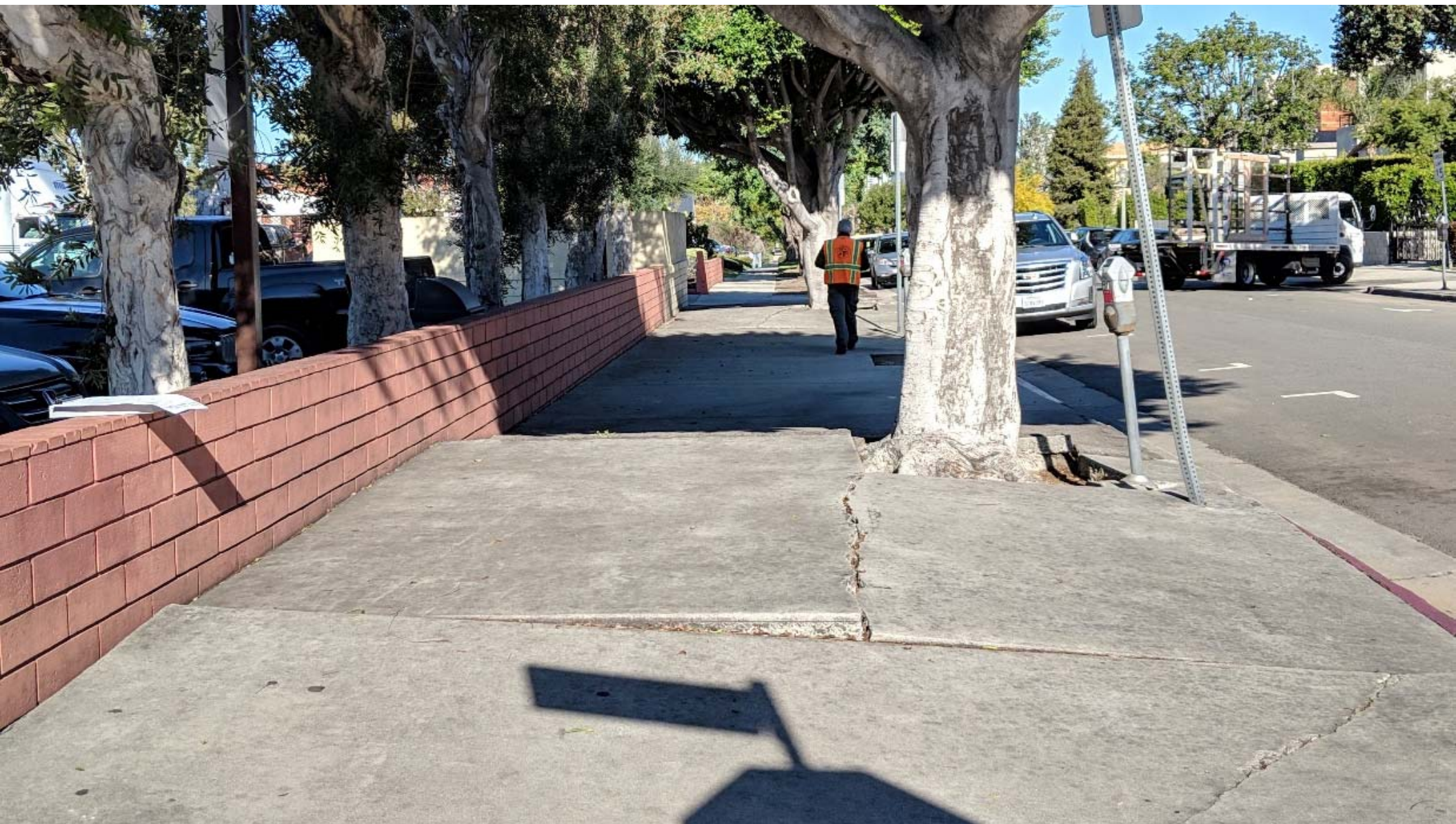


EXISTING CONDITIONS













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PARKING
IN REAR

DOGGIE DAY CAMP

LINING





PROJECT SCOPE

Pico Boulevard: From I-405 Freeway to Patricia Avenue

- 50 New Street Trees
- 14 New Access Ramps
- Selected Sidewalk Repair
- Removal of (1) poor condition Ficus Tree at Pico Blvd. and Overland
- Removal of (3) poor condition/dead trees
- Lighting and Sidewalk Improvements at (12) bus stops
- Site Furnishing to be Determined (benches, trash receptacles, bike racks, wayfinding signage)

Overland Avenue: North of Pico Boulevard

- New Landscape Median with Drought Tolerant Planting
- New Landscape Bumpout with Drought Tolerant Planting and Date Palm Tree
- Automatic Water Conserving Irrigation System

Westwood Boulevard and Tennessee Avenue

- Bicycle Signal
- Bicycle Striping/Lanes Crossing Westwood Blvd.
- (4) New Access Ramps

PICO BOULEVARD STREET IMPROVEMENTS



LEGEND

	EXISTING TREE TO REMAIN
	EXISTING TREE TO BE REMOVED
	PROPOSED NEW PEAR TREE
	PROPOSED NEW PALM TREE
	ACCESS RAMP
	BUS STOP
	CUSTOM BIKE RACKS
	PEDESTRIAN LIGHT
	ACCENT PAVING
	PROPOSED NEW CONTINENTAL CROSSWALK
	EXISTING CONTINENTAL CROSSWALK



NORTH
NOT TO SCALE

CONCEPT SUBJECT TO CHANGE

TRANSIT STOPS

- 'KING COACHMAN' FIXTURE
- STAND ALONE POLE
- MINIMUM 2 PER BUS STOP
- 15 FT. HEIGHT





**PROPOSED STREET TREES
DECIDUOUS FLOWERING OPTION**

Aristocrat Flowering Pear
Botanical Name:
Pyrus calleryana 'Aristocrat'
Bloom Time: February to April
Bloom Color: White
Mature Height and Width:
25 – 30 ft high x 15 - 20 ft wide
Installed Size and Height:
36" Box, 8-10ft high
Longevity: 30 to 70 years





PROPOSED STREET TREES EVERGREEN OPTION

Brisbane Box Tree

Botanical Name:

Lophostemon confertus

Bloom Time: Spring

Bloom Color: White

Mature Height and Width:

25 – 35 ft high x 15 - 25 ft wide

Installed Size and Height:

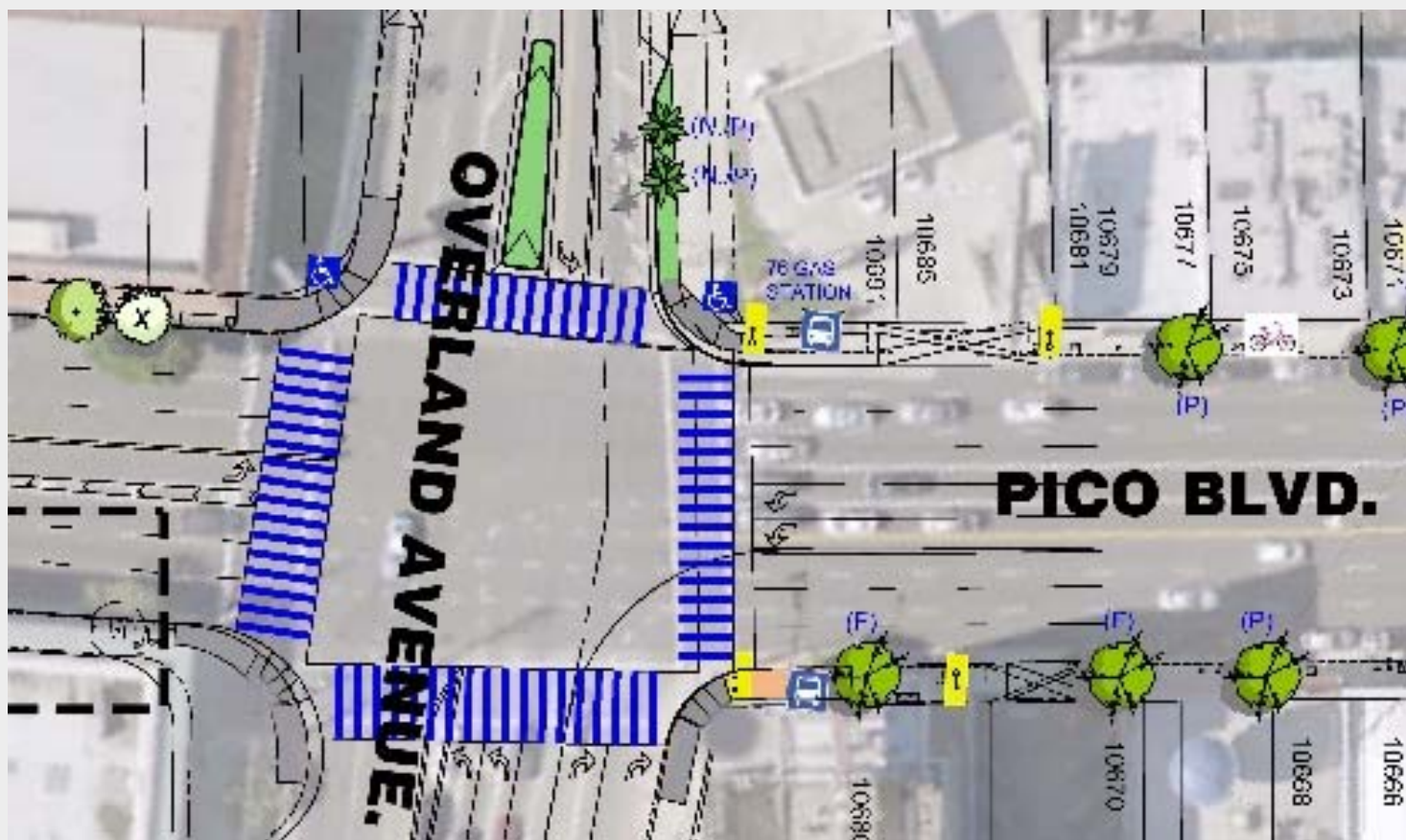
36" Box, 9-12ft high

Longevity: 40 to 80 years

STREET TREES



OVERLAND AVENUE STREET IMPROVEMENTS



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Before



After



PROPOSED BUMPOUT TREE

Date Palm

Botanical Name:

Phoenix dactylifera

Mature Height and Width:

50-70 ft high x 20 - 30 ft wide

Installed Size and Height:

18-20' trunk height

Longevity: 40 to 80 years

DROUGHT TOLERANT PLANTING



WESTWOOD BOULEVARD AND TENNESSEE AVENUE STREET IMPROVEMENTS



BEFORE

Currently, the Westwood Blvd. / Tennessee Ave. intersection has no dedicated bike path. There are stop signs on Tennessee Ave., but no traffic signals, and only one crosswalk striping at the South leg of Westwood Blvd. Cars approaching Westwood Blvd. from Tennessee Ave. are allowed to turn left, right, or cross Westwood Blvd. Vehicles traveling on Westwood Blvd. attempting to turn onto Tennessee Ave. from Westwood Blvd. are allowed to turn left or right, within the correct lanes. The intersection also has no signal lights, leaving drivers to use their best judgement in crossing traffic.



PLAN VIEW

The Westwood Blvd. / Tennessee Ave. intersection is located in West Los Angeles. Westwood Blvd. is an arterial street zoned for commercial, whereas Tennessee Ave. within the zone of focus is all residential. Travelers on foot or bike attempting to reach a home down Tennessee must find a way to safely navigate the heavy traffic of Westwood Blvd. without the assistance of signals and limited pedestrian crosswalk striping.

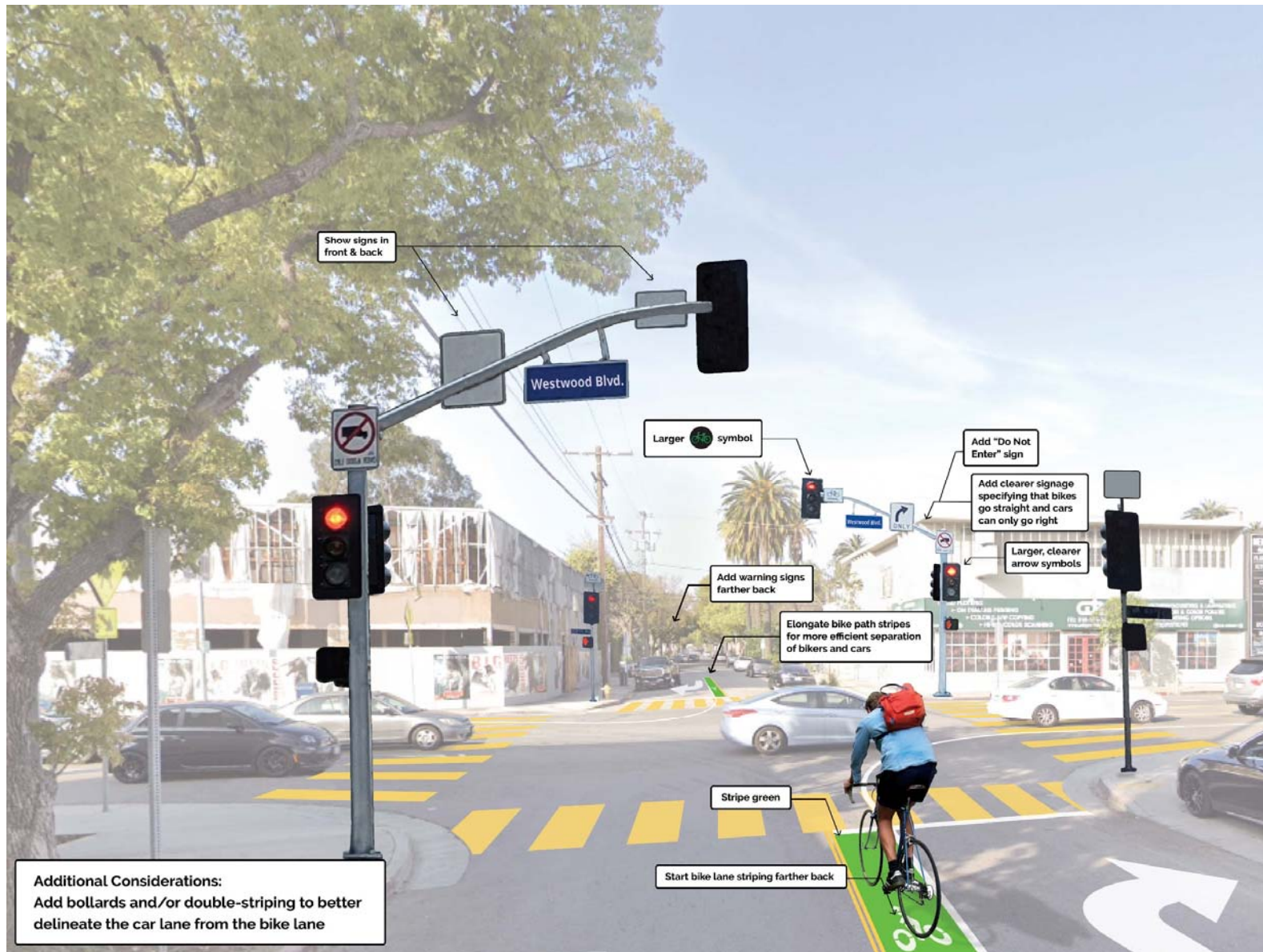
Proposed intersection enhancements will install signals that will greatly benefit those on foot or on a bike, and make crossing Westwood Blvd. at Tennessee Ave. safer and easier. The enhancements will make the street safer for drivers as well.



CONCEPT

The proposed changes to the Westwood Blvd. / Tennessee Ave. intersection are designed to create a safer walking and biking experience for nearby residents. The concept includes the installation of lighted bike signals, car signals, designated bike paths, and pedestrian crosswalk striping at every corner. Cars travelling on Tennessee Ave. will only be allowed to turn right, thus limiting the potential for accidents at the intersection. Bicyclists will be allowed to go straight and turn left/right.

Inspiration for the new design here comes from the successful installation of similar programming located at La Brea Ave. and Rosewood Ave. Suggestions for improvements are included in captions to ensure the success of the design at this new location.



ADDITIONAL STREETScape AMENITIES

FURTHER OUTREACH NEEDED

BIKE RACK OPTIONS



SEATING AND TRASH RECEPTACLES



WAYFINDING SIGNAGE



NEXT STEPS

Construction Start June 2022

- Overland Avenue Access Ramps
- Overland Avenue Landscape Median
- Overland Avenue Landscape Bumpout
- Updated Construction Schedule and Phasing of Work to be Shared with Community