REDESIGN OF ADELINE STREET AT ASHBY BART for access for all users and a new community plaza space

Community Meeting October 3, 2022



MEETING AGENDA

1. Welcome & Meeting Goals

2. Presentation

- Project Context
- Where we are in the Process
- Overview of Adeline Street Redesign Options

3. Comments and Questions

Meeting Goals

Share information

- Proposed Adeline Street concepts
- Process timeline
- Gather input on the proposed Adeline Street and new plaza concepts
 - Transportation access and safety needs
 - Plaza design elements and uses



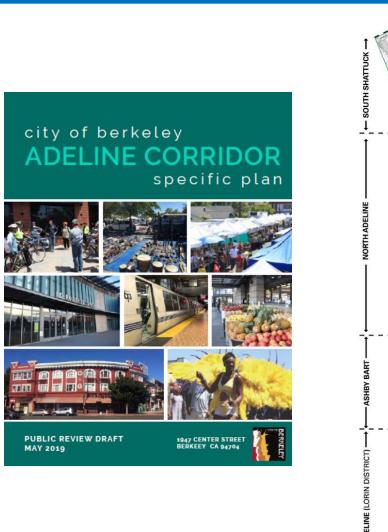
Project Context

Plans and Policies

- City Council Referral (2020)
- Adeline Corridor Specific Plan (2020)
- Pedestrian Plan (2021)
- City and BART Joint Vision and Priorities for Ashby and N. Berkeley BART (2022)

Refined Design/Implementation Projects:

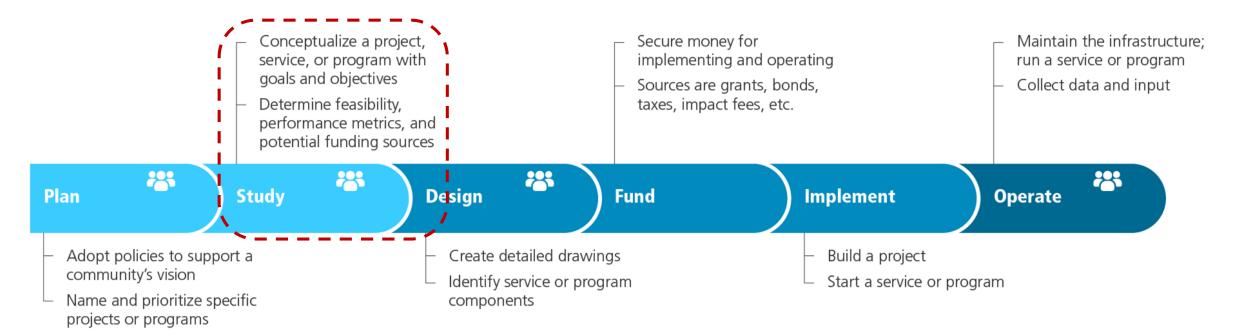
- N. Adeline Quick-Build Project (2020)
- S. Adeline Street Improvements (late 2022
 __2024)
- Adeline Street at Ashby BART Redesign (2022)



Public Projects Process – Illustrative

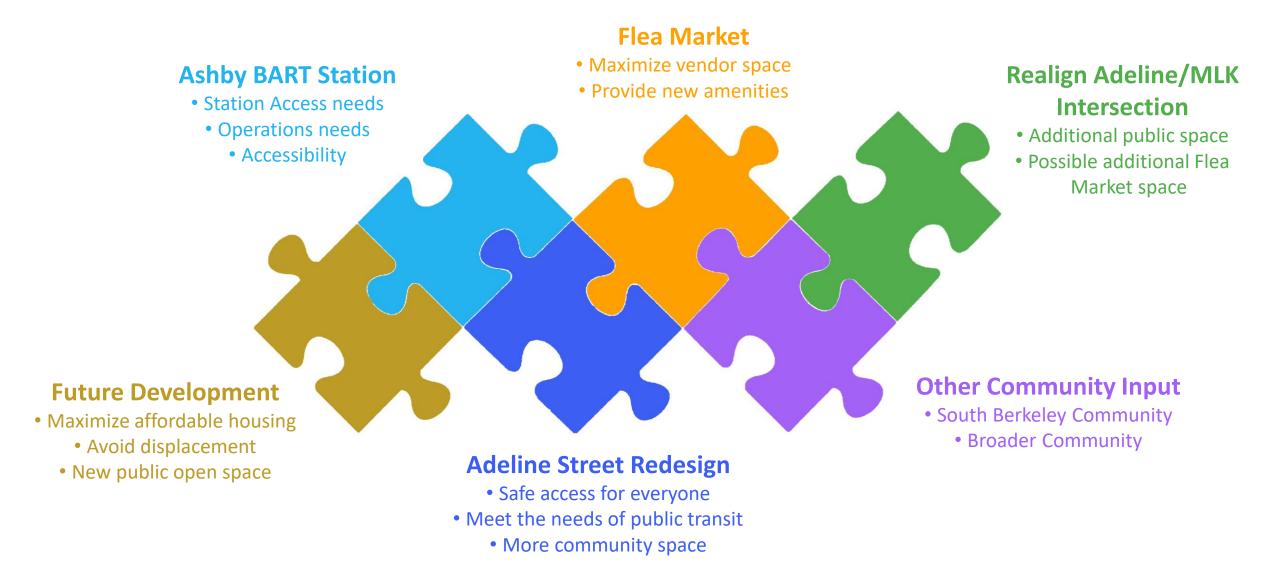
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How do public projects, programs, and services get going? How do you know if they work?





Key Criteria



Where we are in the process

 Fall Adeline & Plaza Options Sept. – Vendor and Other Stakeholder Outreach Today – Community Meeting 10/20 – Transportation and Infrastructure 	 Phased financing/
CommissionSpring to Winter• 11/29 – City Council MeetingDeveloper(s) selection process	 construction and Berkeley Flea Marke move to temporary location sequencing to be determined Berkeley Flea Marke moves to permanen location

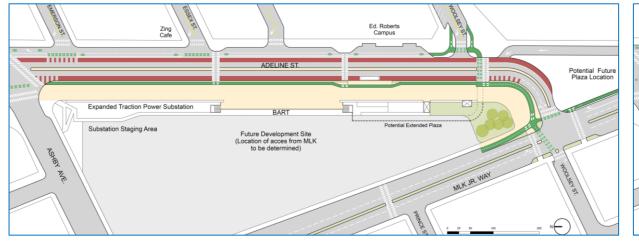
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Project Area Overview



Design Options Comparison

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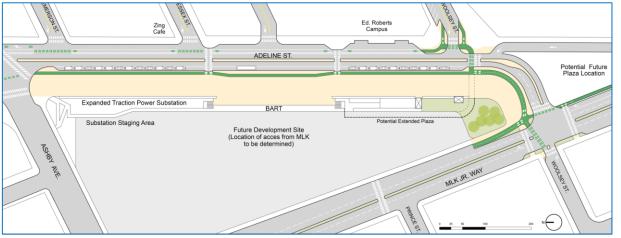


Option 1

- Dedicated bus lanes
- No westside drop-off or parking
- Shorten crosswalks from ~84 to 60 feet
- Plaza on westside narrower than Option 2

Both Options

- One vehicle lane each way
- Protected bikeway on westside
- Buffered bike lane on eastside



Option 2

- No dedicated bus lanes
- Westside drop-off and parking
- Shorten crosswalks from ~84 to 46 feet
- Plaza on westside wider than Option 1

- In-lane bus stop with bicycle bypass at BART
- Redesigned Adeline / MLK Jr. Way intersection
- Potential to expand south end of the plaza

Common Transportation Improvements

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Bicycle Improvements

- Raised protected bikeway southbound
- Buffered bike lane northbound
- Woolsey bike boulevard connection
- Connections to BART

Buffered Bike Lane

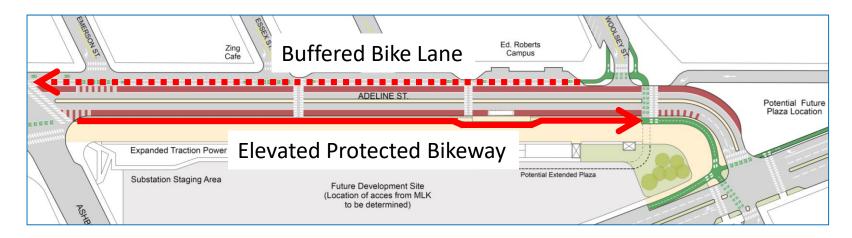


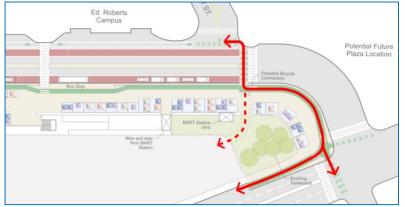
Elevated Protected Bikeway



Source: Zicla

Source: City of Cambridge, MA





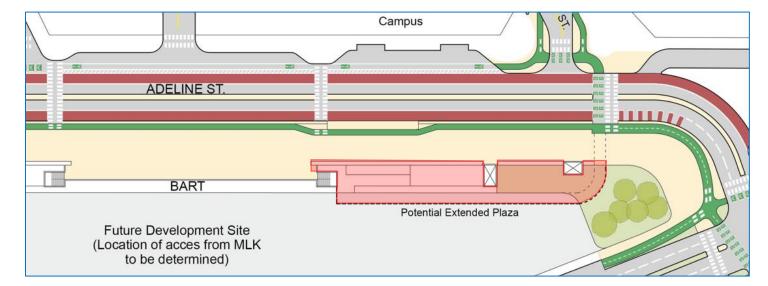
Stall locations for discussion purposes, actual locations TBD through future design and by BFM management.

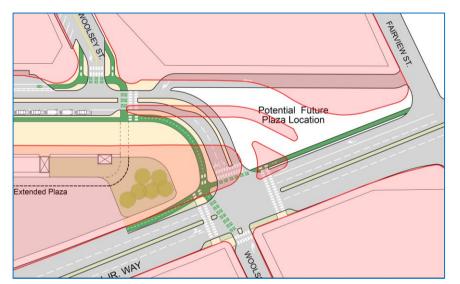
Shaping the Plaza Space

Elements that shape the plaza space

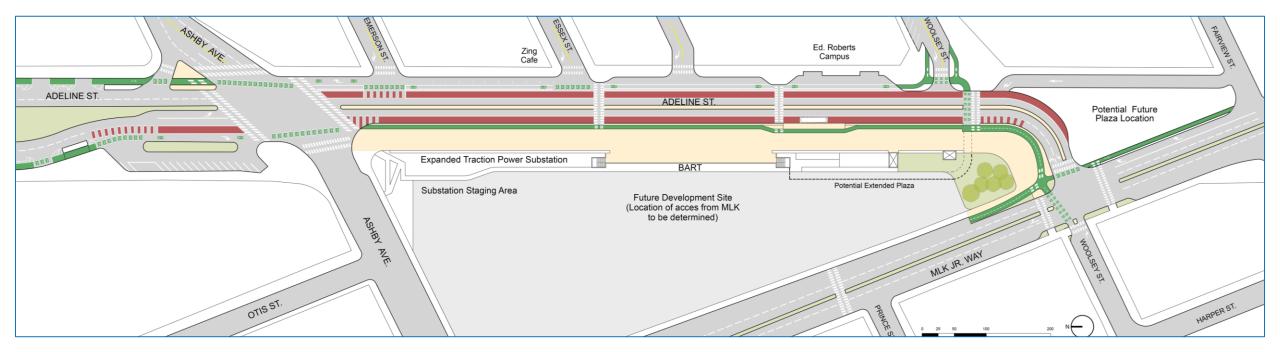
- Public right of way not used for transportation
- Preserve redwoods at south end of the site
- Potential expansion of plaza to the south
- Realignment of Adeline and MLK Jr Way intersection







Option 1

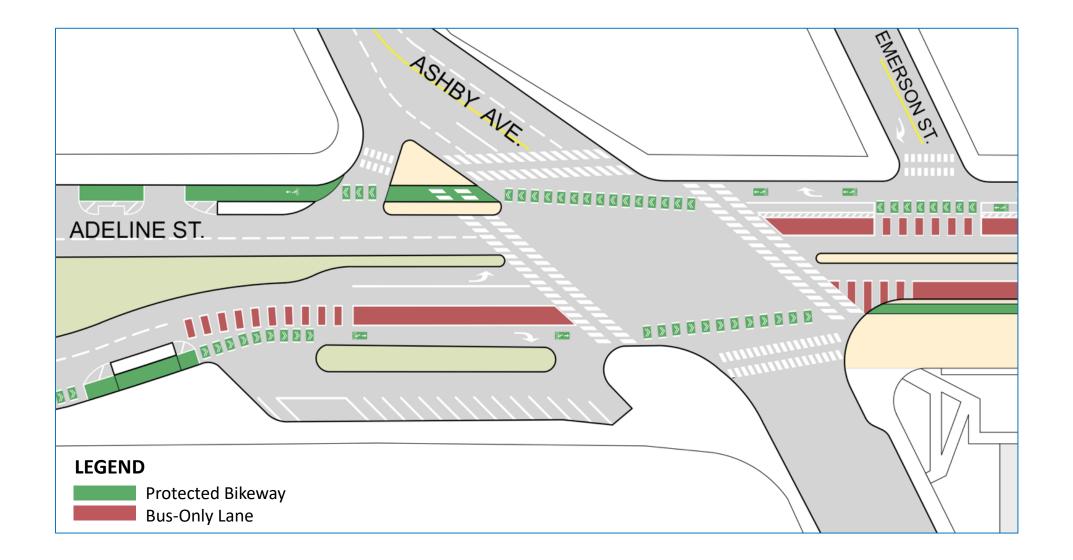


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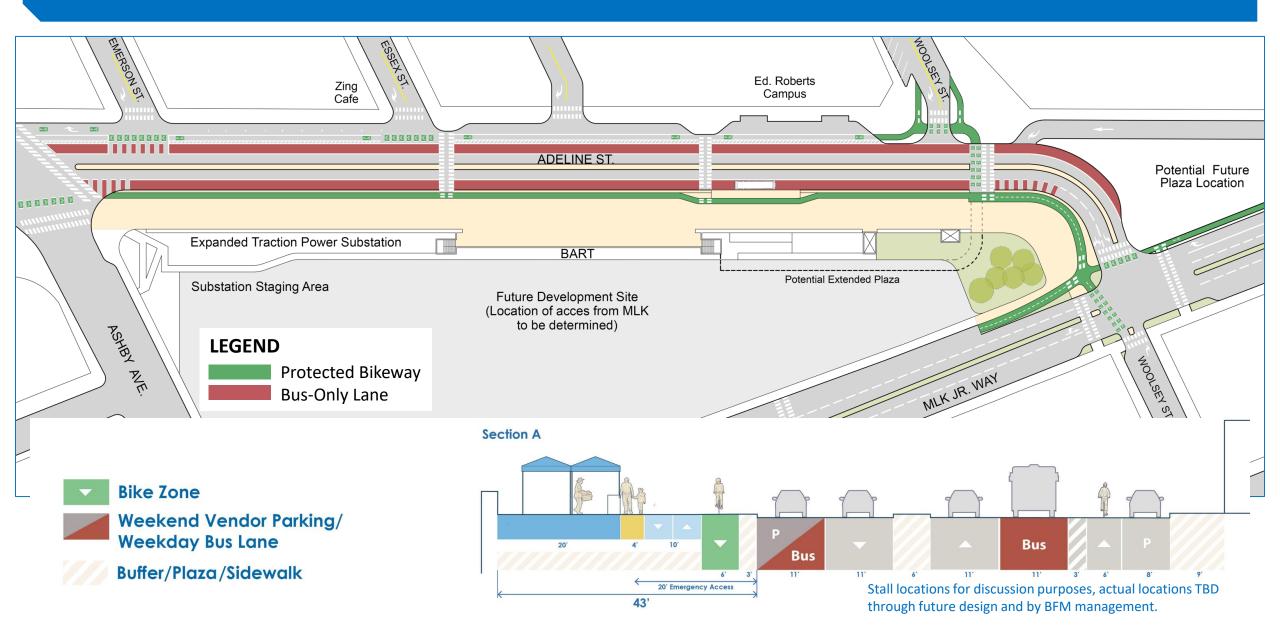


Protected Bikeway **Bus-Only Lane**

Option 1 – Ashby Intersection

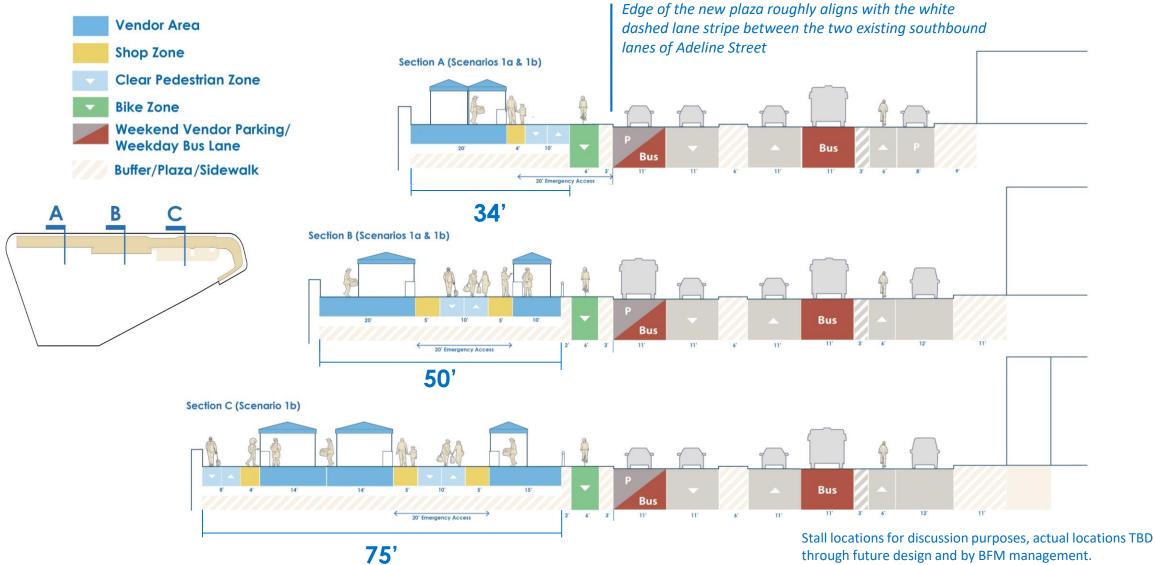


Option 1 – South of Ashby



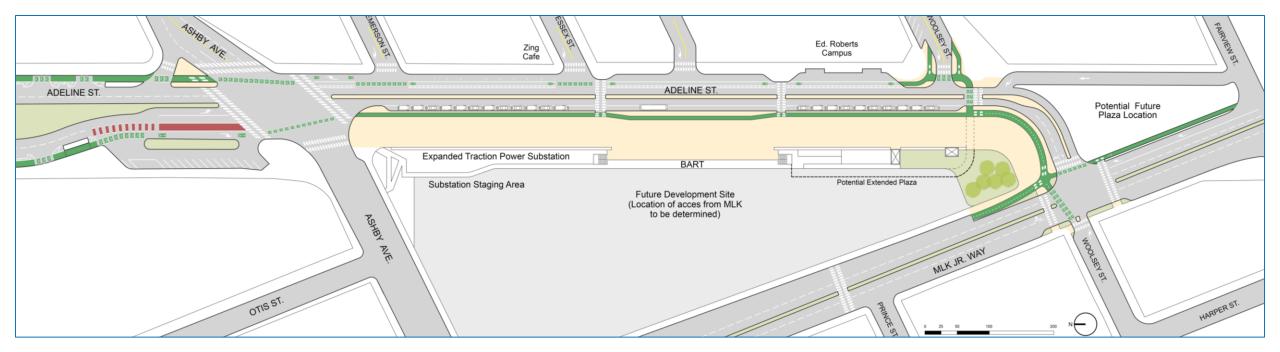
Option 1 – Plaza Width with and w/o extension

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through future design and by BFM management.

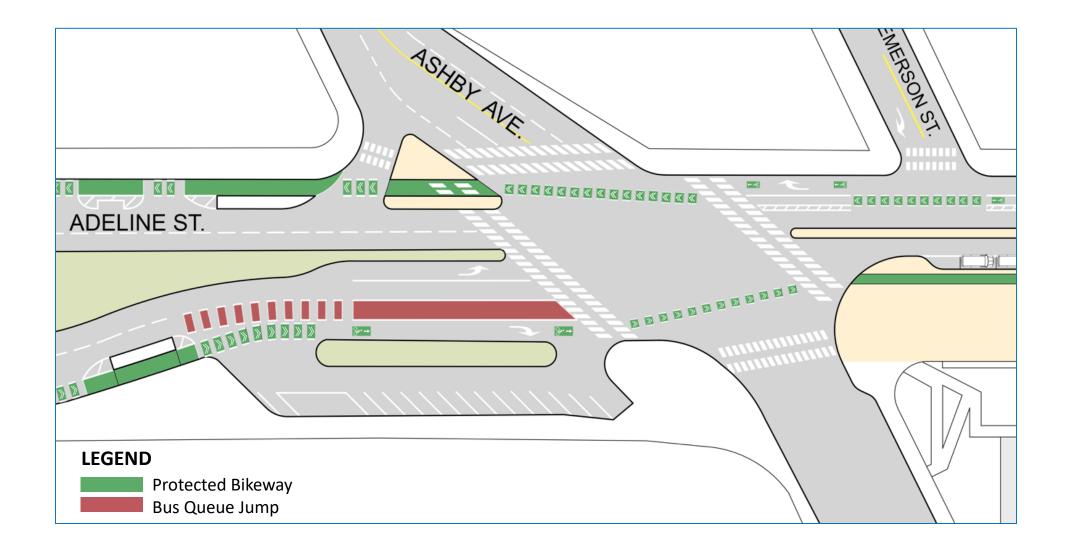




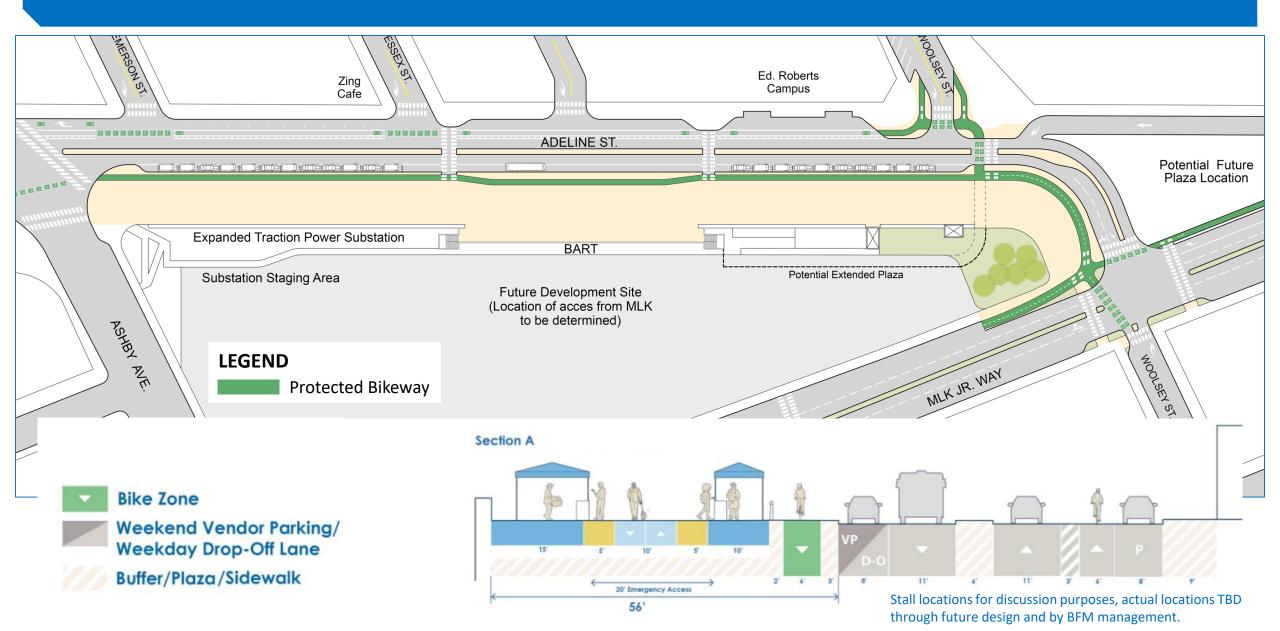
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Protected BikewayBus Queue Jump

Option 2 – Ashby Intersection

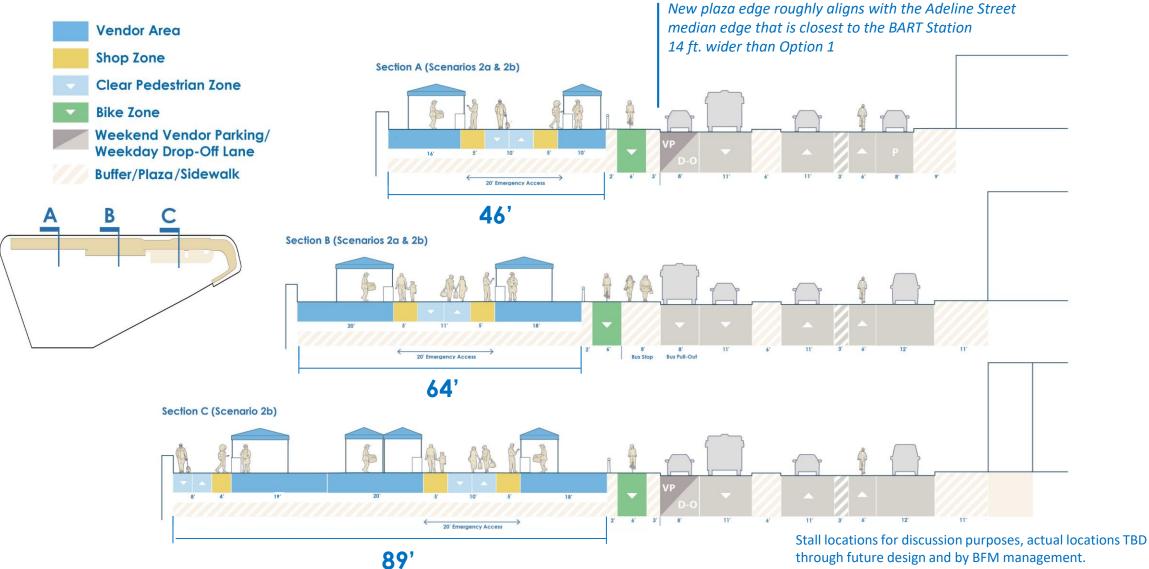


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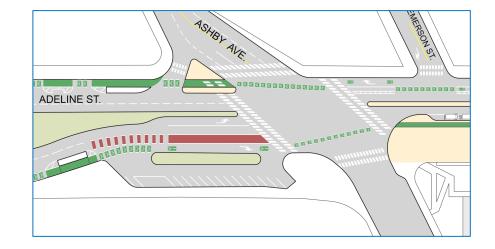
Bus and Vehicle Performance

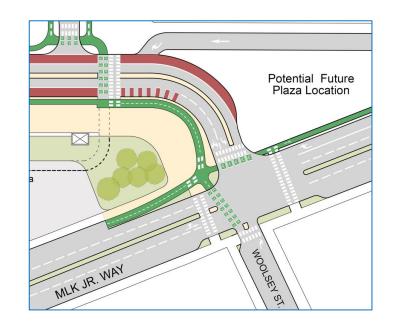
Traffic speed

• Lane reduction manages speed

Travel time compared to existing

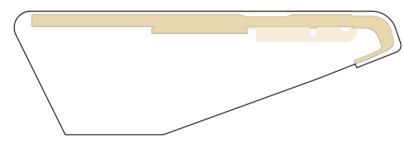
- Signal timing adjustments reduce delay
- Adeline/Ashby intersection PM peak delay
 - 8 sec. increase southbound
 - No change northbound
- Adeline/MLK intersection PM peak delay
 - No delay southbound from Adeline to MLK
 - No delay northbound to Adeline or MLK
- Queue jump and dedicated transit lane improve transit performance





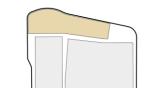
Plaza – Comparisons

940 ft. long; 35, 50 & up to 75 ft. wide



Adeline Plaza Option 1

200 ft. long, 58 to 75 ft. wide

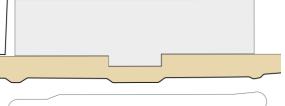


Downtown BART Plaza

940 ft. long; 46, 64 & up to 89 ft. wide

Adeline Plaza Option 2

680 ft. long, 40 to 55 ft. wide



Embarcadero Promenade at Ferry Building, SF



Plaza – Possible Design Elements

Design elements, details, and materials to consider in plaza design

- Bollards or railings between bikeway and plaza
- Lighting
- Information kiosk/boards
- Wayfinding signs
- Planter pots

- Possible all-weather structures
- Fixed or movable seating and tables
- Trash and recycling containers
- Performance Stage
- Power and water
- Plaza surface materials

Possible features in the plaza or adjacent development

- Public bathrooms
- Public children's play area

Source: visitberkeley.com

Source: Anita Liu / Daily Cal

Plaza – Possible Uses

Uses and activation

• Daily uses

- Kiosks coffee, food or local start-ups
- Movable tables and chairs
- Stage music or other performance
- Yoga, tai chi or other short term uses
- Pop-up kids play area

• Weekend and Special Events

- Berkeley Flea Market
- Juneteenth
- Seasonal Festivals
- Art Installations
- Seasonal or periodic performance



McLaren Park Tai Chi Court Source: SF Rec and Park

Downtown Berkeley BART Plaza Source: Jenni Touli Voss / Downtown Berkeley Association







Common Plaza Features – Artwork

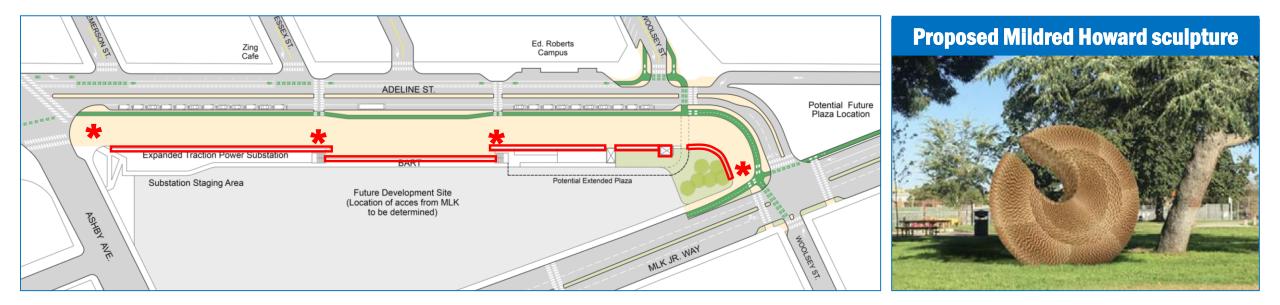
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Memorial Wall to acknowledge history of Berkeley Flea Market

 Example locations - walls at: plaza edges; around the redwood tree area; at new exit stair or vent; others to be determined

Stationary artwork throughout the plaza

- City-Commissioned Mildred Howard sculpture on plaza (or other future location TBD)
- Programmed art installations

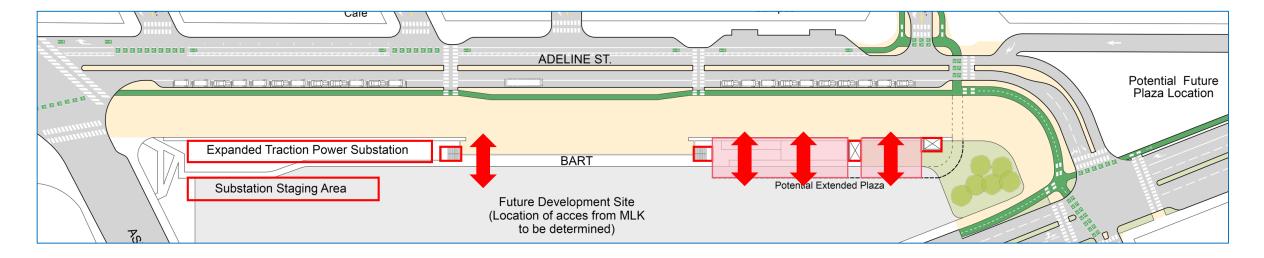


Plaza – Design Elements

Design of the plaza's western edge—

- Building entries
- Potential for plaza fronting buildings
- Passages into and through future development

- Kiosks or other built space in the plaza
- Railings or walls



Discussions with the Berkeley Flea Market

- On-going discussions about operations and improvements that can make the plaza work as a permanent home
- Exploring concepts for stall sizing and stall layouts for the plaza options







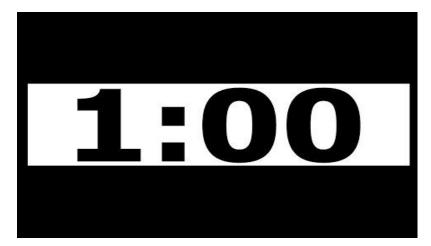
Comments and Questions for the Panel

Comments and Questions – During and After

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If you would like to make a comment or ask a question, you may identify yourself by the "Raise Hand" feature on Zoom or dial *9 on your phone.

As your name (or last 3 digits of your phone number) is called, we will unmute you to speak. You'll have one minute to comment or ask a question.



Comment Form

• When this meeting ends you will have the opportunity to use a form to provide further comments. Either respond to it then or you can respond later

Email a comment to bartplanning@cityofberkeley.info

Office Hours Thursday, October 6, 6 to 7:30 pm

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86917443670?pwd=bit0VWN4NnoxT21kUDFTOXJiMHIQUT09

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• City of Berkeley, BART staff and CD+A will be available to discuss the project, answer your questions, and to take your comments

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INPUT TONIGHT

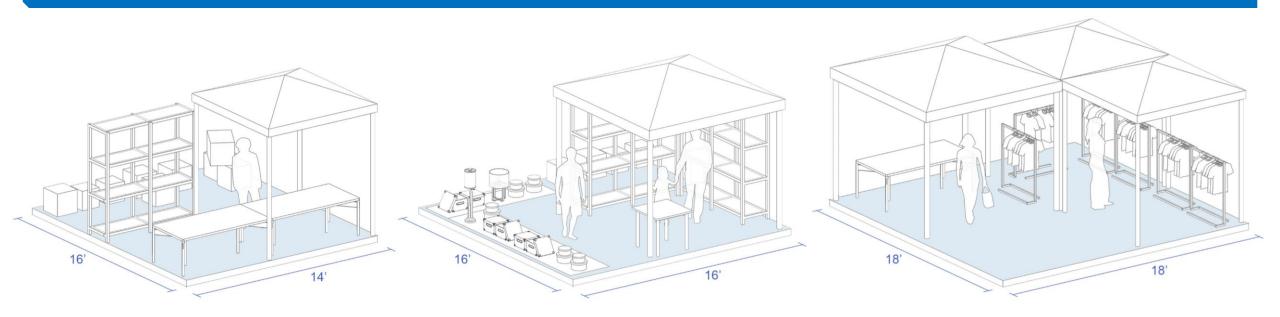
NEXT STEPS

- Office Hours Thursday, October 6
- Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Meeting – Thursday, October 20
- City Council Meeting Tuesday, November 29
- Pursue funding to advance design in 2023
- Continued community and stakeholder engagement as design process moves forward

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Pocket Slides

Vendor Space Capacity Estimates



	Number of Vendor Stalls	
	Low Estimate	High Estimate
Option 1	60	75
Option 1 with extension	80	95
Option 2	90	105
Option 2 with extension	95	115