#### **Ground Rules**

- Mute technology
- Respect each other
- Assume the best
- Own your words
- Stick to the agenda
- One speaker at a time
- No side conversations

# Today's Agenda

- History of Project
- Project goals/funding
- Recap public meetings
- Recap public comments received
- Present recommended concept
- Next steps

# **Project History**

- Initial discussion began in 2000
- Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Funds secured in 2005
- Design process began in winter 2009
- Broadway Road Action Team (BRAT) created (volunteers solicited at Nov. 2008 public meeting and online)
- Design concept developed

# **Project Goals**

- Reduce traffic noise
- Protect community character
- Improve safety
- Provide bicycle lanes
- Provide sidewalks
- Retain Broadway Lane
- Improve streetscape character
- Discourage cut-through traffic
- Address congestion

# Improves the quality of life for the community



Parsons Brinckerhoff PlaceMaking

# **Project Funding Source/Requirement**

- Add bike and pedestrian amenities on Broadway between Mill and Rural while improving streetscape.
- \$3.17 million project for the design and construction of bikeways and pedestrian facilities along the corridor.
  - Federal CMAQ money: \$2.57 million
  - Transit fund: \$600,000 required match
- Approved Capital Improvements Project

#### **Public Involvement**

- Public Meetings
  - (4) BRAT Meetings
  - (3) Neighborhood/Public Meetings
  - (1) Broadway Road Walk

#### Nov. 19, 2008 Public Meeting/Online

(17 total comments)

- Slow traffic
- Reduce traffic, noise and cut-through in neighborhoods
- Expand project area to include entire length of Broadway in Tempe
- Model project after College Avenue Streetscape project
- Fix College/Broadway intersection
- Build a wall on north side of Broadway
- Add landscaping
- Make project aesthetically-pleasing

#### March 14, 2009 Community Walk/Online

(8 total comments)

- Add trees/landscaping
- Add wider sidewalks and bike lanes
- Add a median
- Add bus pullouts
- Build a wall
- Keep Broadway Lane
- Change street to have two lanes in each direction
- Slow traffic
- Reduce noise
- Reduce speed limit

#### March 18, 2009 Public Meeting/Online

(16 total comments)

- Build a wall
- Reduce speed limit
- Do not reduce speed limit
- Use rubberized asphalt
- Make street two lanes in each direction
- Keep Broadway Lane
- Reorient entrances to homes on south side of the street to face south
- Add bike lanes and sidewalks
- Reduce traffic volumes

#### May 18, 2009 Public Meeting/Online

(18 total comments)

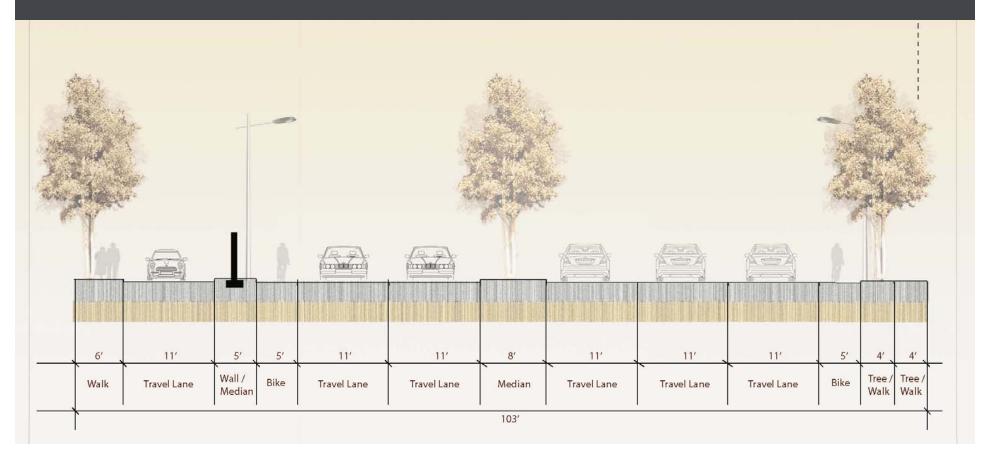
- Prefer two lanes on Broadway in each direction
- Prefer keeping Broadway three lanes/two lanes
- Keep current speed limit
- Add ped. signal at Sierra Vista
- Do not add ped. signal at Sierra Vista
- Add a median
- Do not add a median
- Add shade
- Add landscaping
- Add a wall to the south side of street

#### May 2010 Business Outreach

(Met with a dozen property owners)

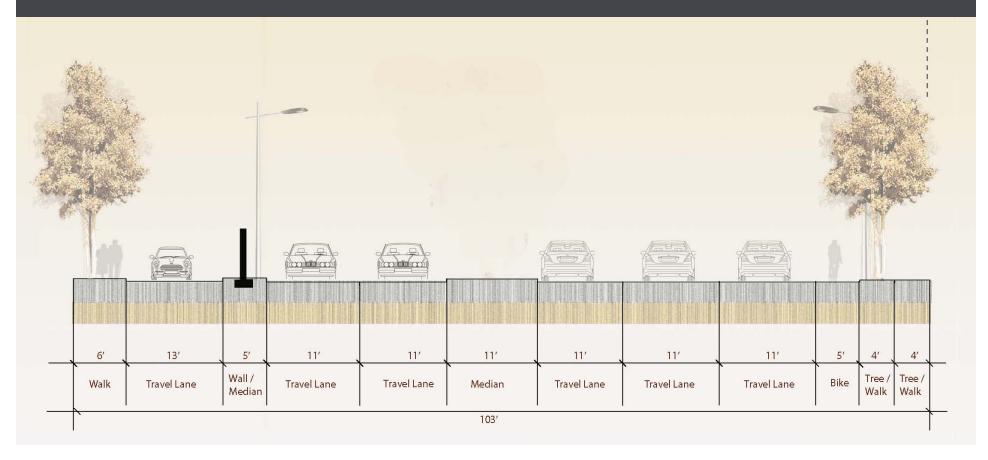
- Median restricts business access
- Streetscape with median may actually increase traffic speeds
- U-turns at College will be dangerous
- Concerned with trees covering property signage
- Traffic for business will cut through neighborhoods

# **Proposed Mid-Block Section**



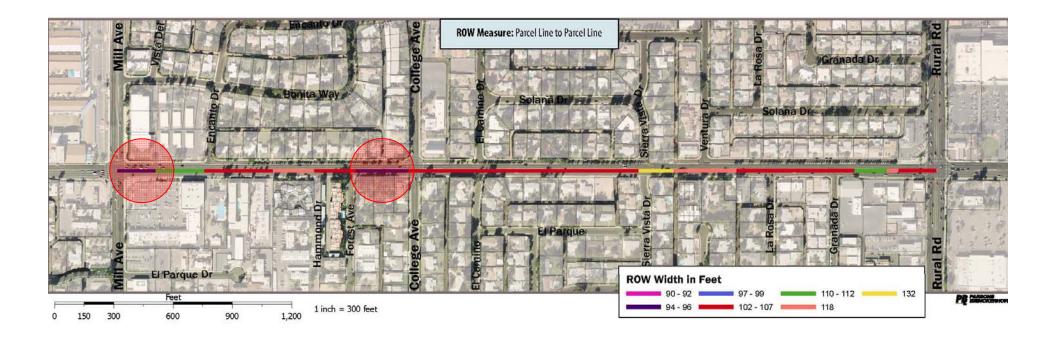
- Based on existing right-of-way. Where additional ROW is not provided,
  bike lanes and sidewalks may be consolidated into multi-use paths.
- Sidewalks and bike paths on both sides of Broadway Road.
- Shade trees should allow tall canopy for viewing of signs.

## **Alternative Mid-Block Section**



- Based on existing right-of-way.
- Mixed-use lane north of Broadway Road.
- Center median for left turns and car stacking.
- Shade trees should allow tall canopy for viewing of signs.

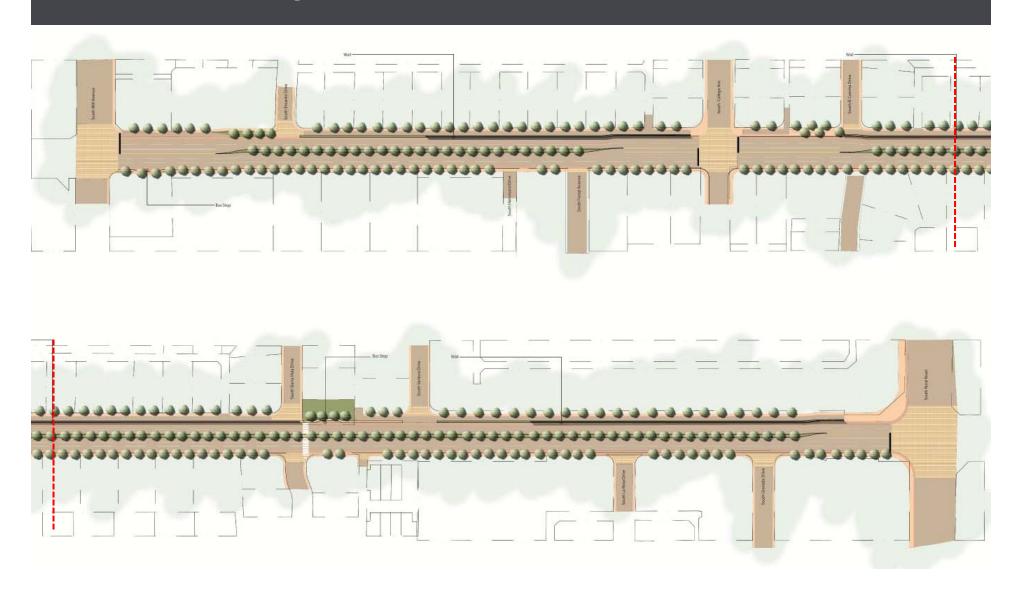
## **ROW Issues**



- East of Mill Ave
- West of College Ave

# **May 4 Drawings**

# **Broadway Road Plan**



## **Revised Alternative**

# Revised based on staff meeting



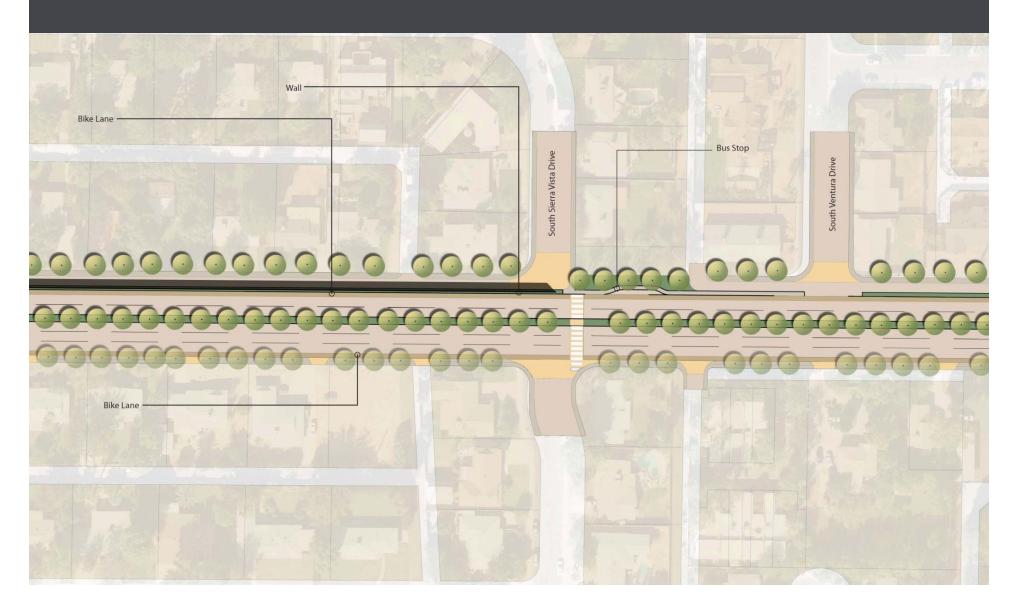
# Mill - Encanto



# **Hammond - El Camino**



## Sierra Vista - Ventura



## La Rosa - Rural



## **Next Steps**

- Gather public comment.
- Finalize design concept.
- Present public comments and final design concept to Transportation Commission and Transportation Council Committee in June/July.
- Present to City Council for approval.
- If approved, construction would begin Winter/Spring 2011.

#### Discussion

- Ask questions.
- Submit comments online at <u>tempe.gov/tim</u> or on comment form.
- Contact: Sue Taaffe 480-350-8663 or sue taaffe@tempe.gov