



Bell Avenue Bicycle-Pedestrian Corridor

October 6, 2022 **City of Denton Texas Woman's University**

Virtual Community Meeting Reminders

- All attendees are muted
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- Questions
 - Q&A
 - Questions will be answered in the order they are received, and will only display in the Q&A after they are answered
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Participants and Agenda

<u>City of Denton:</u>

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Texas Woman's University

Jason Tomlinson, VP for Finance and Administration Rob Ramirez, Chief Facilities Officer

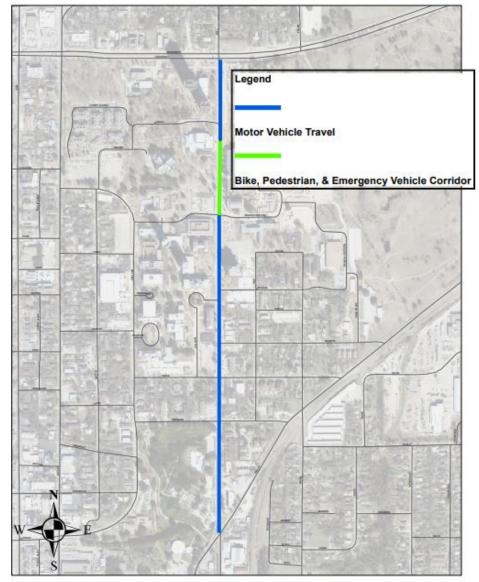
Christopher Johnson, Chief of Staff



Bell Ave Bike & Pedestrian Corridor

PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

- Why Are We Here?
- What Has Transpired To-Date?
- TWU Area Traffic Study Results
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Corridor Option Exhibits
- Access with Bicycle and Pedestrian Corridor
- Resident Input
- Next Steps
- Questions





WHY ARE WE HERE?

 City and TWU staff have discussed the option of constructing a bicycle and pedestrian corridor on Bell Avenue from Chapel Drive to Administration Drive and are seeking feedback from residents.



WHAT HAS TRANSPIRED TO-DATE?



Bell Avenue Bicycle-Pedestrian History

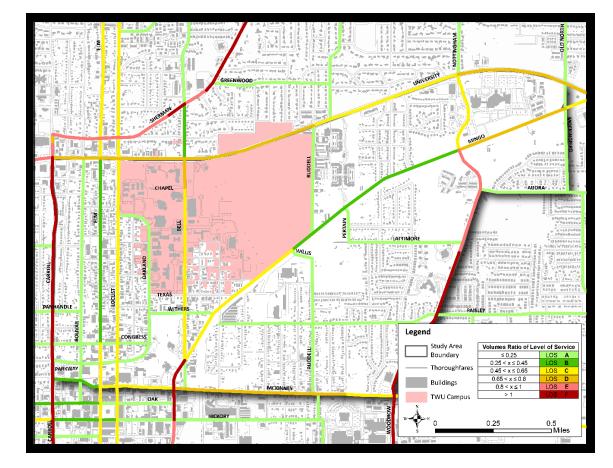
- ✓ 1962 Pedestrian Bridge constructed
- ✓ 2008 Pedestrian Bridge closed
- ✓ 2017 City demolished pedestrian bridge and installed at-grade pedestrian crossings located north and south of Administration Drive





TWU AREA TRAFFIC STUDY RESULTS

- Fall 2019 Traffic study data collected
- Fall 2020 Traffic study produced
- 21 intersections analyzed based on existing and forecasted traffic volumes in 2045
- Each intersection was analyzed based on Bell Avenue being open only to pedestrian, bicycle, and emergency traffic between Chapel Drive and Administration Drive
- Study Conclusion: Implementing a Bicycle-Pedestrian Corridor between Chapel Drive and Administration Drive will have no significant impact to surrounding roadways until 2045

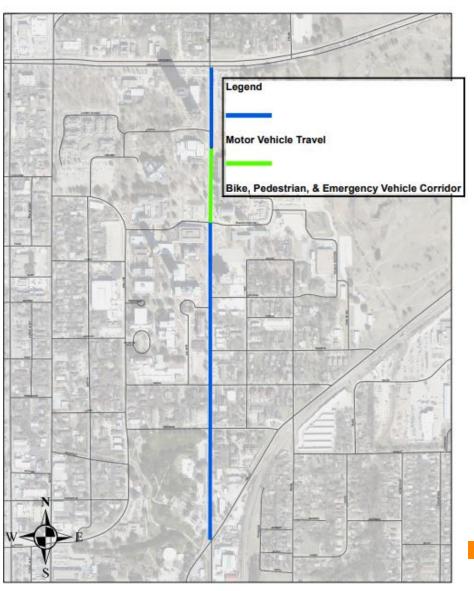




BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN CORRIDOR OPTION

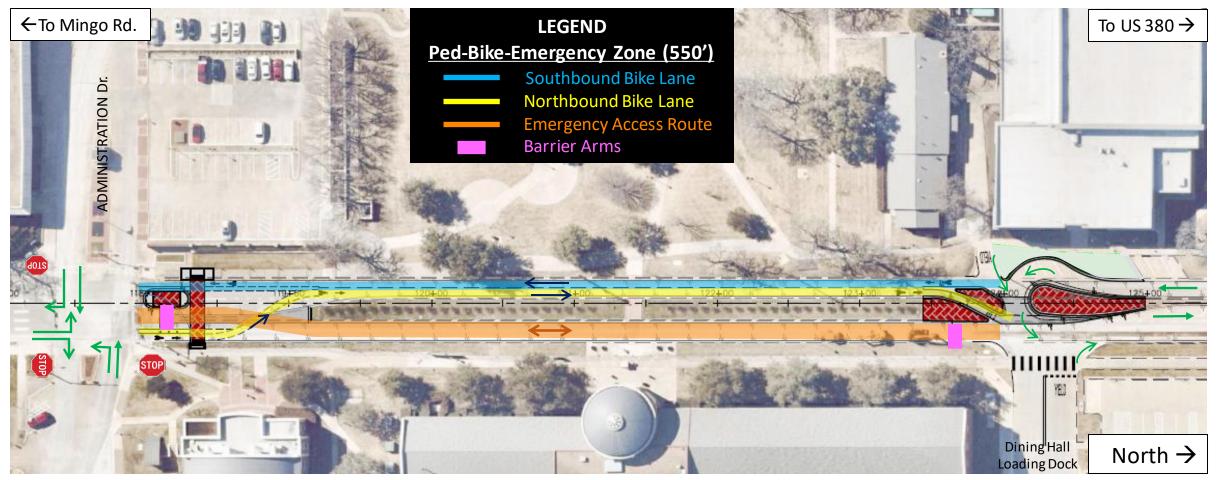
Establish a 550-foot dedicated bicycle and pedestrian corridor with an auto-free core from Chapel Drive to Administration Drive that will:

- ✓ Leave 4,000 feet (88%) of Bell Avenue open to motor vehicle traffic
- ✓ Support emergency response vehicles (Fire/Police) using the existing northbound lane
- ✓ Keep access to public utilities
- ✓ Create two dedicated bike lanes
- ✓ Connect to existing sidewalks
- ✓ Accommodate delivery vehicle access to dining hall





BICYCLE - PEDESTRIAN CORRIDOR OPTION EXHIBIT





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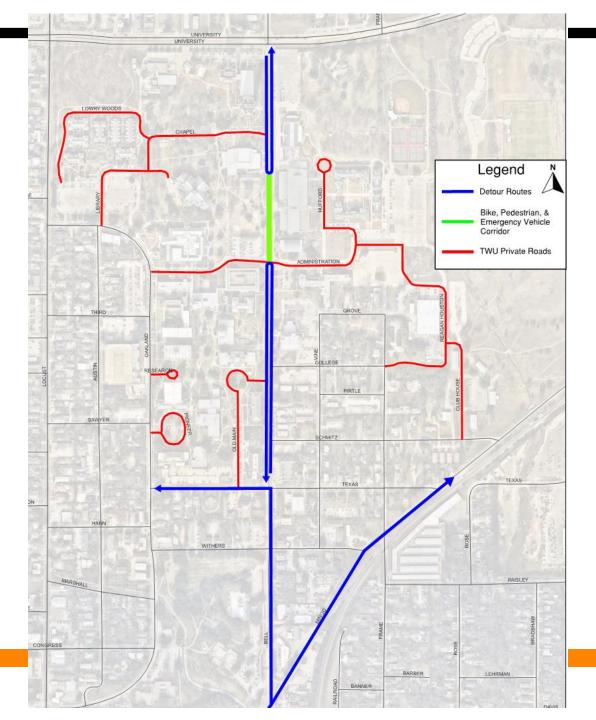




Bell Ave. at Dining Hall (Looking South)

Access with Bicycle and Pedestrian Corridor

IMPROVING



Resident Input

 Are you in favor or opposed to the proposed Bell Avenue Bicycle and Pedestrian Corridor, for the portion of the roadway through Texas Woman's University from Administration Drive to just south of Chapel Drive. (Single Choice) *

In Favor

Opposed

Poll is open until Monday October 10, 2022 at 5:00 pm



NEXT STEPS

- 10/18/22 City Council Work Session
 - Seek direction on project scope from City Council
- Proceed with Final Survey and Final Design
- Prepare Right-of-Way Use Agreement with TWU
- Select Contractor and Initiate Construction



Questions?

