# East Olive Avenue Reconfiguration Complete Streets Project Update

City Council January 28, 2025

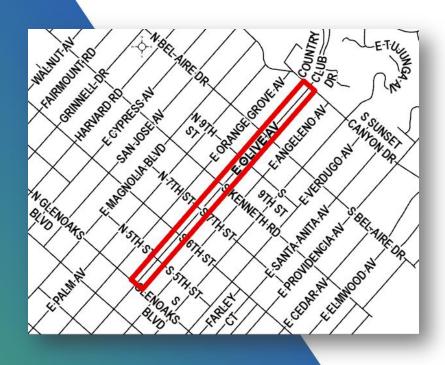


### **Overview**

- Background
- Project Objectives
- Pre- and Post-installation Analysis
- Community Feedback
- Striping Changes and Next Steps



## Background



- Restriped Olive Avenue in the hillside to reconfigure travel lanes in support of a future Complete Streets Project
- Project seeks to improve pedestrian safety and reduce vehicular speeds
- Leverage a scheduled repaving project to restripe at very low cost

Public outreach 2023



Project installation February 2024



Data collection Fall 2024

### Background

#### Project Alignment with City's Burbank2035 General Plan

#### **Goal 6: Neighborhood Protection**

 Policy 6.2: Consider reconfiguring travel lanes and introducing reduced speed limits as part of comprehensive efforts to calm traffic.

#### Goal 9: Safety, Accessibility, and Equity

 Policy 9.1: Ensure safe interaction between all modes of travel that use the street network, specifically the interaction of bicyclists, pedestrians, and equestrians with motor vehicles.

#### Project Alignment with City's Complete Our Streets Plan

#### 9A Green Infrastructure Policy Goal

• Future green infrastructure improvements throughout the City should be designed and maintained to integrate traffic calming measures.

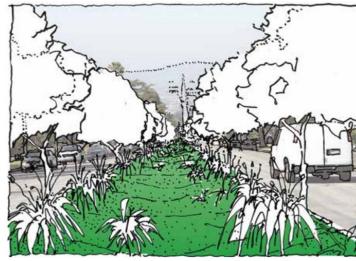
## **Reconfiguration Project Changes**



**Previous Striping** 



**Current Striping** 



Future Complete Streets Project

## **Project Objectives**

#### 1. Reduce Conflicts

Reduce number of travel lanes

### 2. Reduce Speeds

Narrow travel lanes

### 3. Test Complete Streets Project

Center median to simulate Greening Project





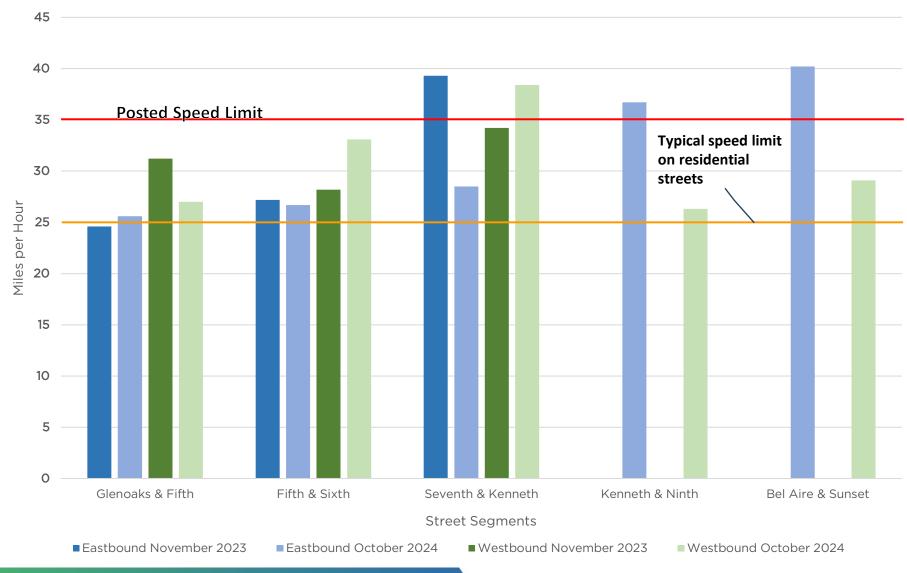
Vehicle Collisions(2022)



Average Daily Traffic (2018)

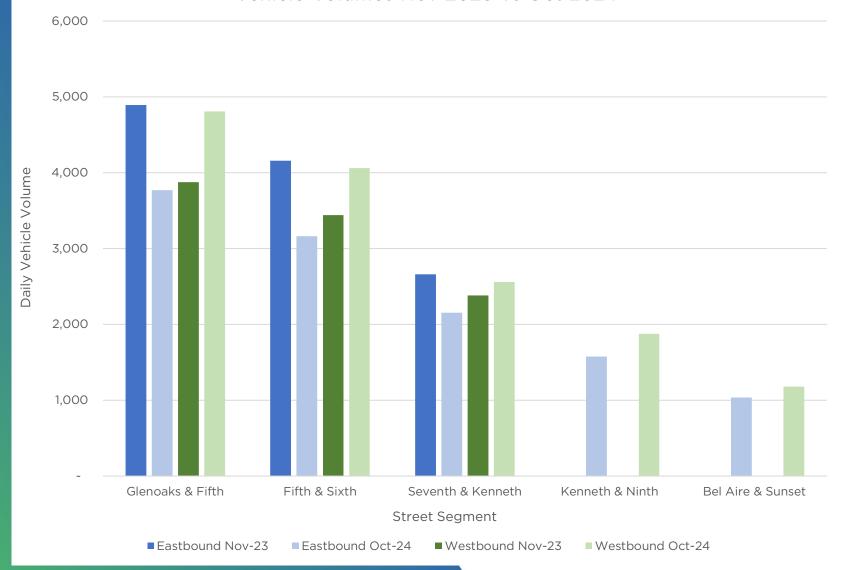
- Before and After Data Collection
  - Traffic Collisions
  - Speeds
  - Volumes
  - Community feedback
- Collision Analysis
  - Six months before and after
  - 5<sup>th</sup> Street Sunset Canyon Drive
  - Two collisions before and one collision after

#### 85th Percentile Speeds Nov 2023 vs Oct 2024



- Posted speed limit is 35MPH
- Speed trends above and below the posted speed limit
- High speeds between Seventh Street and Sunset Canyon Drive

#### Vehicle Volumes Nov 2023 vs Oct 2024



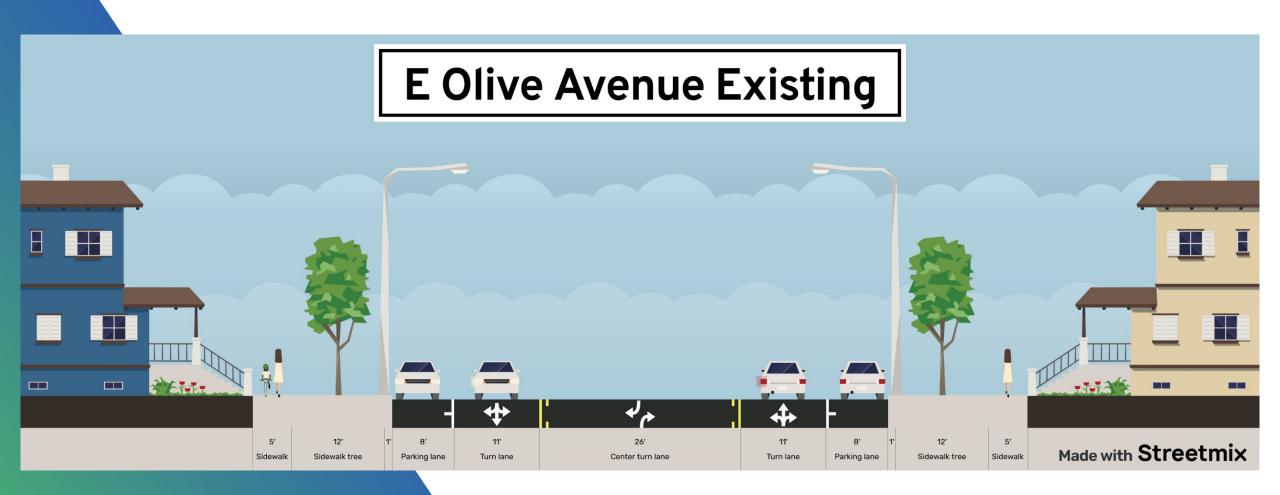
- Volumes remain lower than pre-pandemic levels
- Diversion pattern along corridor remains consistent
- Volume shifts in both directions
- No noticeable spikes

#### Community Feedback

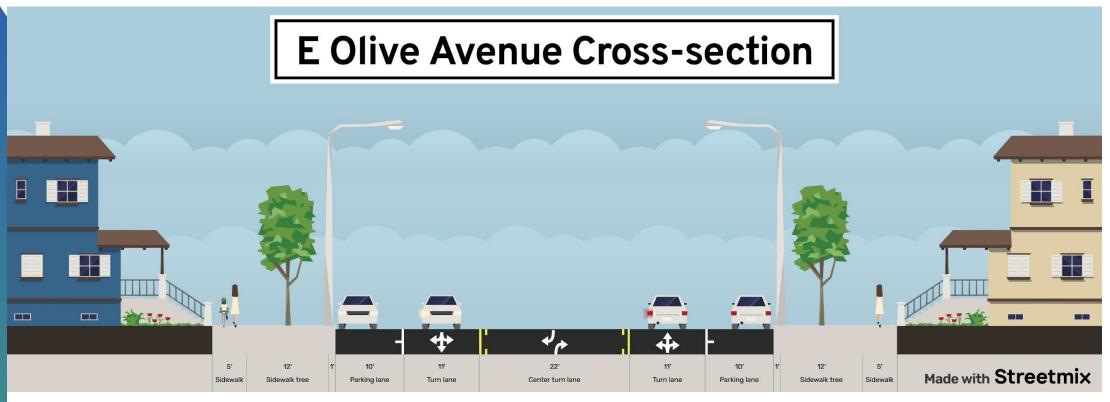
Received and responded to <u>more than 50 phone calls</u>
<u>and more than 70 emails</u>

| Expressed Concerns                     | Percent |
|--|---------|
| Narrow Through Lanes                   | 41%     |
| Parking Proximity to Travel Lane       | 17%     |
| Traffic Congestion / Bottlenecks       | 10%     |
| Project Design / Median Width Concerns | 7%      |
| Safety Concerns (General)              | 6%      |
| Request for Additional Lanes / Turning |         |
| Lanes                                  | 5%      |
| Appreciation for Speed Reduction       | 7%      |
| Desire for Bike Lanes                  | 6%      |
| Trash Pickup Blocking Traffic          | 1%      |

## **Existing Striping**



## **Modified Striping**



- Reduce center median
- Travel lanes remain 11'
- Expand parking lane by 2'
- Increases separation between parked cars, keeps narrow lanes
- Allows for continued testing of Complete Streets project

#### Conclusion

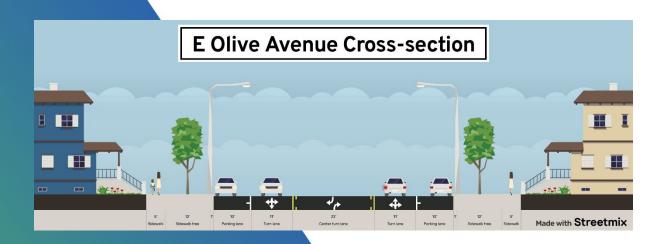
#### **Project Objectives**

- Reduce conflicts: fewer lanes reduce conflicts, no change in collisions
- 2. Reduce speeds: data inconclusive
- 3. Test Complete Streets: median tested, concerns about Fire accessibility if Greening project eventually built

#### Stakeholder feedback

- Top complaint is narrow lanes and proximity to parked cars
- Coordination with Fire Department: wide center turn lane facilitate access to hillside

## **Next Steps**



- Adjust striping to address top concern of narrow lanes near proximity to parked cars
- Contractor to install new striping in March 2025 (weather permitting)
- Collect one additional set of data in fall 2025
- Any further changes to the street would be done as part of a separate future project

### **Questions or Comments?**

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