

WELCOME

to the

The Mall Experience Alternatives Analysis & Environmental Clearance Open House





Project Overview

Over the last several years, significant analysis and outreach has been conducted in order to determine feasible options for long-term solutions to ensure the continued success of the Mall for the next 35 years.

Due to the significant cost to maintain the pavers, RTD began researching the option of replacing the bus lanes with an alternative surface in 2015.



At the same time, the City and County of Denver and the Downtown Denver Partnership launched The Mall Experience: The Future of Denver's 16th Street Mall, working with Gehl Studio to identify ways to help the Mall reach its full potential as a welcoming place in the heart of downtown. The Mall Experience also addressed concerns with pedestrians and vehicles. These prior studies will inform the current alternatives analysis and environmental clearance. **This open house is being held to collect public input for the environmental study that is underway.**



Project Funding

Initial project funding will come from tax increment financing (TIF) via the Denver Urban Renewal Authority (DURA), as well as the Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

TIF funding requires that a design project be identified by 2020 and completed by 2022.

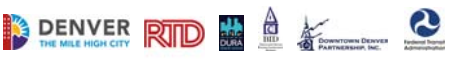
If approved by voters, 2017 General Obligation Bonds might also be applied as the project heads into construction.



Project Schedule

Process Tasks	2017									2018				
	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	
Initiation of NEPA Process	█													
Develop Project Purpose and Need	█													
Initiate Consultation on Historic Resources		█												
Study Alternatives and Design Proposed Action			█											
Study Impacts and Research Reduction of Impacts/Mitigation					█									
Evaluate Historic Resource Effects						█								
Prepare Environmental Assessment for Public Review							█							
Public Review of Environmental Assessment											█			
Develop Mitigation Agreement for Historic Resources										█				
Prepare and Publish Environmental Decision Document											█			
National Historic Preservation Act Consultation Meetings			1			2			3					
Vision and Design Workshops			1			2								
Public Open House Meetings				1			2					3		
Briefings and Stakeholder Outreach		█				█					█			

Key █ National Environmental Policy Act Activities █ Historic Resource Consultation Activities █ Public Involvement Activities



Project Limits and Study Area

