

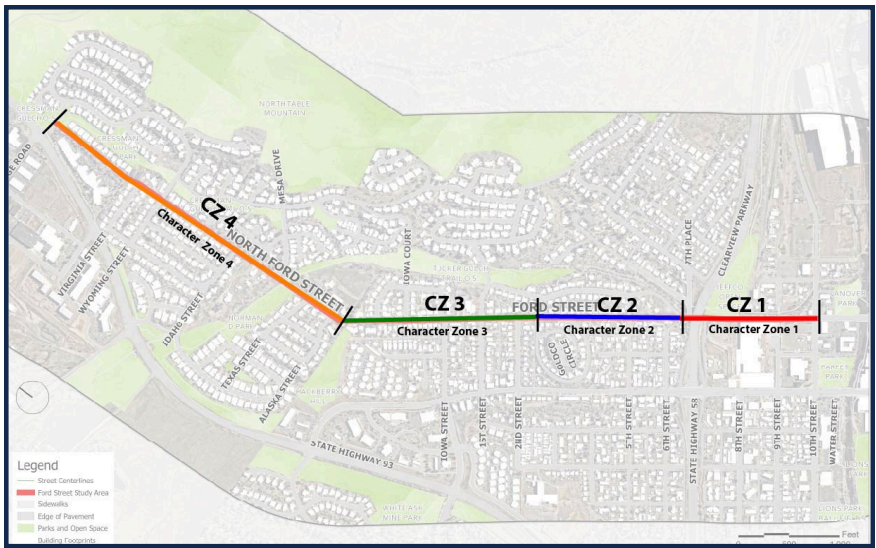


# NORTH FORD COMPLETE STREET

## Alternatives Analysis Survey and Open House Summary

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### Project Area



### Overall Preferred Treatments



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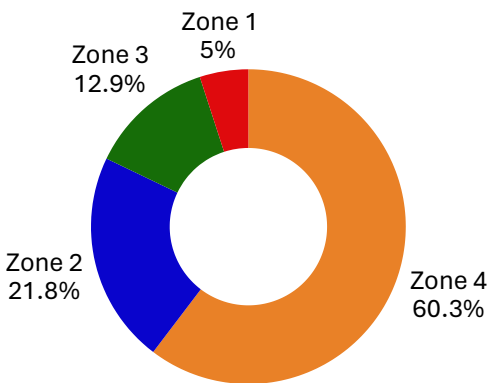


**Better visibility with signage and clear markings**

### Who We Heard From

**64.3% of survey respondents live along North Ford Street (10<sup>th</sup> Street to SH 93), representing the following:**

- Zone 1 – 10<sup>th</sup> Street to 7<sup>th</sup> Place
- Zone 2 – 7<sup>th</sup> Place to Goldco Circle
- Zone 3 – Goldco Circle to Alaska Street
- Zone 4 – Alaska Street to Pine Ridge Road



Respondent Breakdown by Character Zone

**Based on various alternatives presented in the following character zones, improvements were supported by the majority of respondents.**

**Zone 1 – 10<sup>th</sup> Street to 7<sup>th</sup> Place: 94% of respondents supported complete street measures**

**Zone 2 – 7<sup>th</sup> Place to Goldco Circle: 89% of respondents supported complete street measures**

**Zone 3 – Goldco Circle to Alaska Street: 88% of respondents supported complete street measures**

**Zone 4 – Alaska Street to Pine Ridge Road: 87% of respondents supported complete street measures**

## Key Feedback Themes

- **Safety** – slow speeds and improve sightlines
- **Pedestrian Comfort** – widen sidewalks, raise crossings, and mark crosswalks
- **Trees and Character** – preserve greenery and neighborhood aesthetics
- **Winter Maintenance** – consider snow plow access and ice safety, especially downhill and at roundabouts

## Placemaking Along Ford Street

### Community members desire...

- Functional landscapes with safety, ecological, and community health and wellness benefits in intersections and pocket parks
- Functional and inviting spaces supporting light social interaction in pocket parks and trail connections

### Placemaking in...

- 7<sup>th</sup> Place intersection
- Tucker Gulch trail crossing at 1<sup>st</sup> Street
- 5<sup>th</sup> Street intersection
- Ford Street from 10<sup>th</sup> Street to 7<sup>th</sup> Place
- Pine Ridge Road intersection

The three proposed design alternatives that were shown as options across each character zone.



### Shared Use Path

A shared-use path is a wide, separated facility where cyclists and pedestrians travel side by side, safely elevated from motor traffic. However, differences in speed between users can create potential conflicts.



### Climbing Bike Lane

This configuration combines a shared-use lane on one side where bike markings guide drivers to share the road with cyclists despite limited separation with a climbing bike lane on the other, giving uphill cyclists a buffered space to ascend without slowing traffic. However, neither facility provides full physical protection from vehicles.



### Standard Bike Lanes

Standard bike lanes provide dedicated space on each side of the road to support safer, more connected two-way bicycle travel, but they lack physical barriers to fully separate cyclists from motor vehicles.

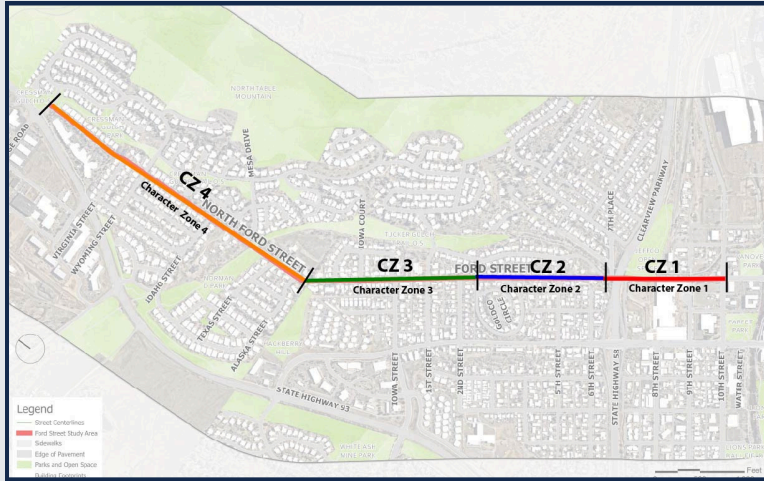


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### Zone 1 – 10<sup>th</sup> Street to 7<sup>th</sup> Place



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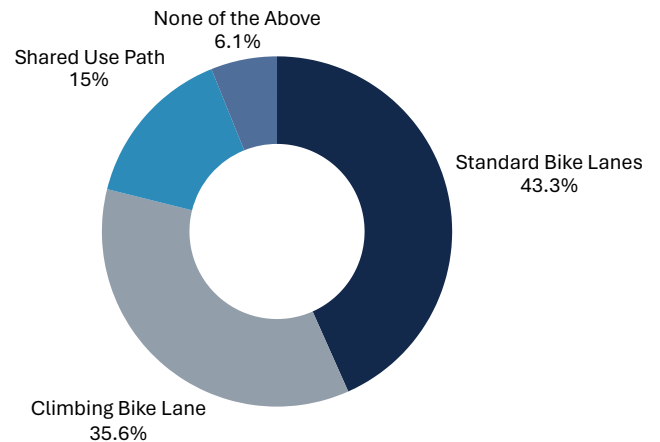
- Uphill bike lane
- Separate bikes, pedestrians, and cars
- Widen sidewalks
- Add physical barriers between bikes and cars
- Maintain or improve connection to Tucker Gulch trail



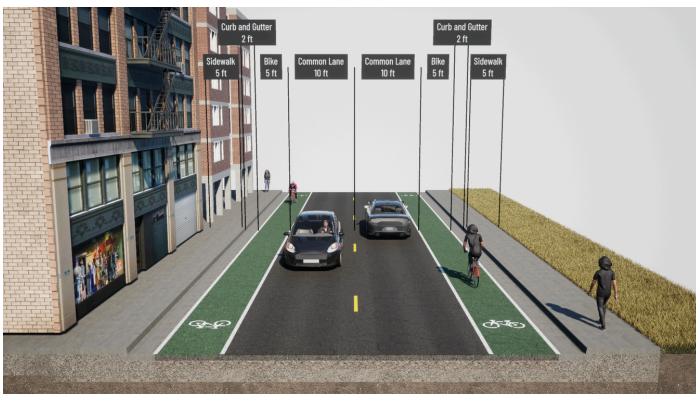
#### Concerns with Alternatives:

- Removing parking
- Shared paths unsafe for pedestrians and children
- Narrowing Ford Street
- Shared paths create conflicts
- Preference to keep road as is and use existing bike routes (Washington or Tucker Gulch)
- Winter safety and vehicle sliding on steep grades

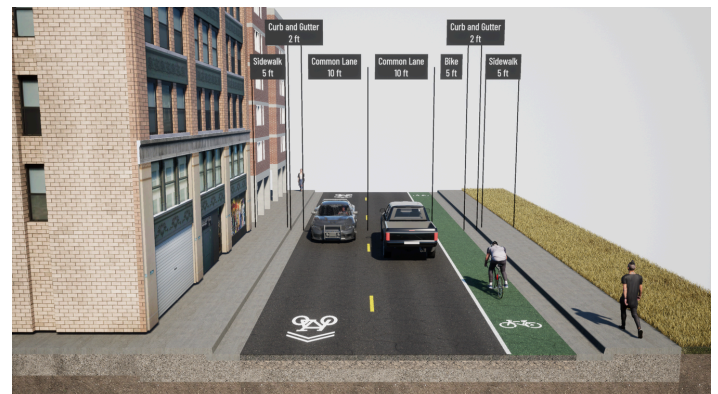
### Preferred Alternative



### Standard Bike Lanes



### Climbing Bike Lane



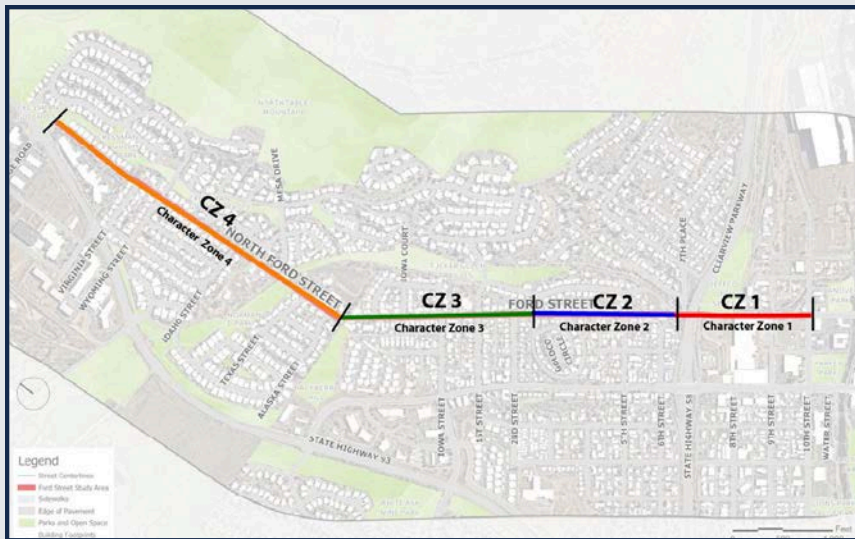


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### Zone 2 – 7<sup>th</sup> Place to Goldco Circle



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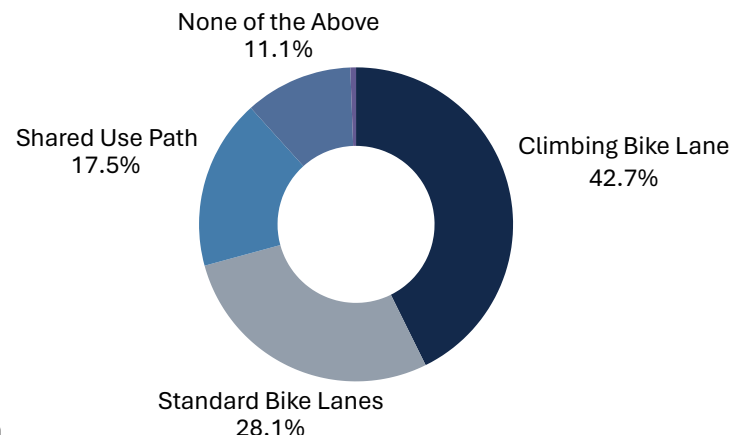
- Uphill bike lane
- Separate bikes, pedestrians, and cars
- Maintain some on-street parking
- Widen sidewalks
- Add physical barriers between bikes and cars
- Match design with Zone 1
- Improve access or signage to Tucker Gulch trail



#### Concerns with Alternatives:

- Removing parking
- Downhill bike lane unnecessary
- Shared paths unsafe for pedestrians and children
- Narrowing Ford Street
- Preference to keep road as is and use existing trails
- Winter safety

### Preferred Alternative





## 5<sup>th</sup> Street Intersection



### Ideas and Priorities:

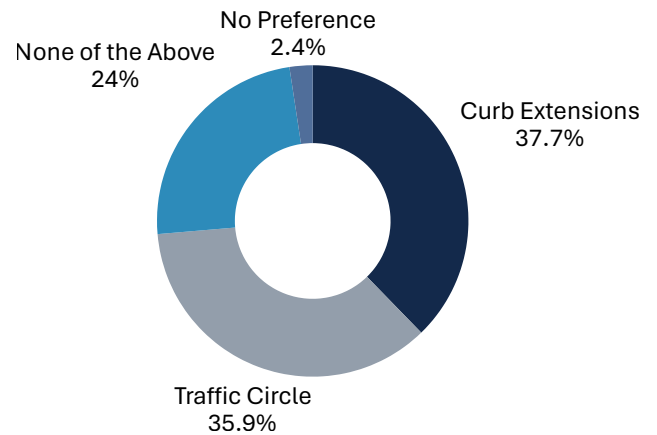
- Clear crosswalks and stop bars
- Curb extensions and shortened crossings
- Signage, speed bumps, or stop signs
- Winter maintenance and large vehicle access



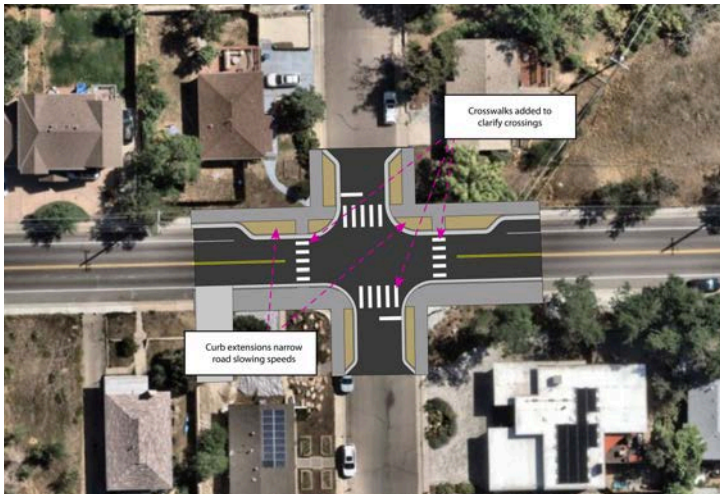
### Concerns with Alternatives:

- Traffic circle safety during winter and on steep hill
- Bike lane conflicts at traffic circle
- Road narrowing

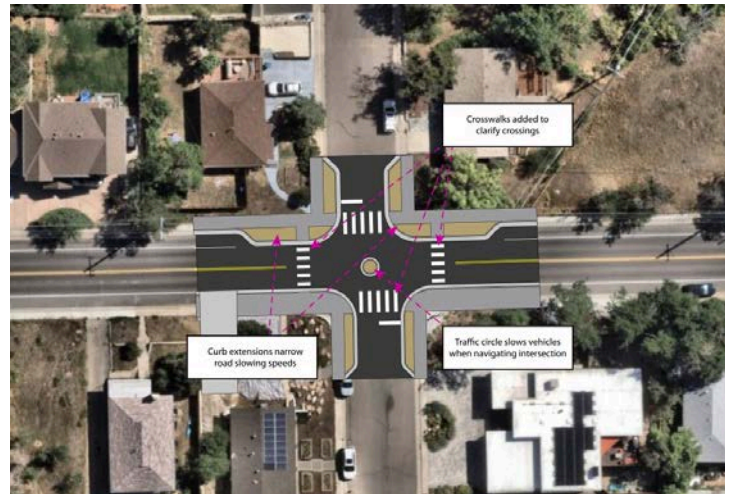
### Preferred Alternative



### Curb Extensions



### Traffic Circle



## Goldco Circle



### Ideas and Priorities:

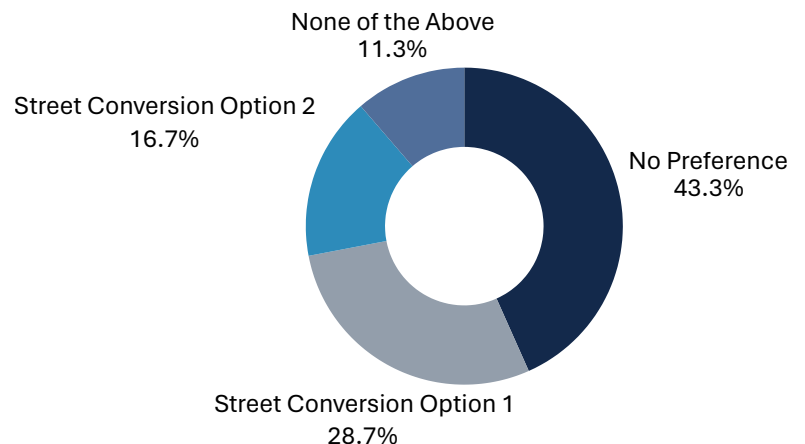
- Let Goldco Circle residents decide
- Improve visibility for turns off Ford and at southern entrance



### Concerns with Alternatives:

- One-way and reduced entrances

### Preferred Alternative

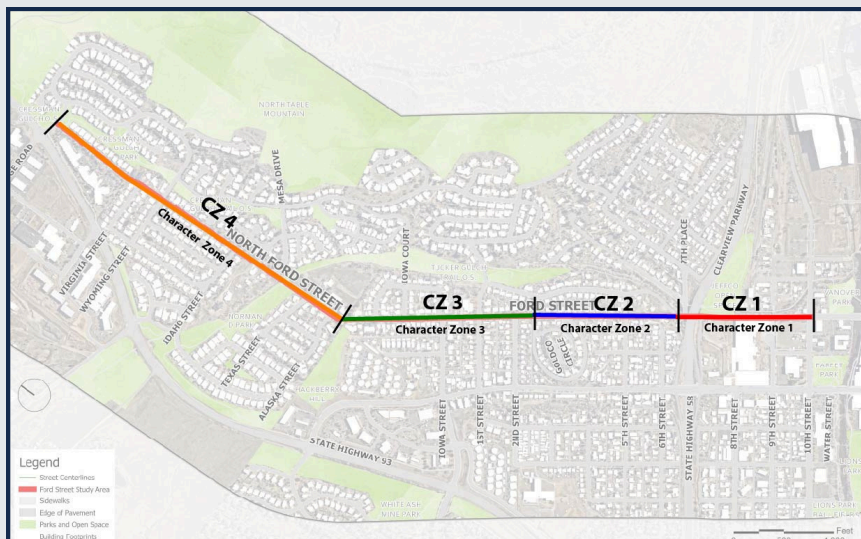


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### Zone 3 – Goldco Circle to Alaska Street



#### Ideas and Priorities:

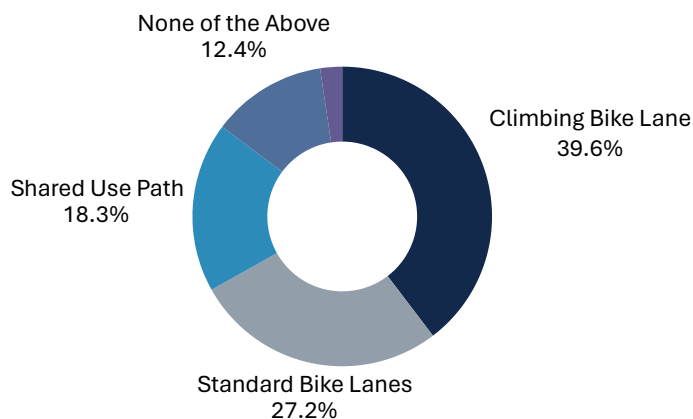
- Uphill bike lane
- Separate bikes and pedestrians
- Maintain some on-street parking
- Widen sidewalks
- Add physical barriers between bikes and cars



#### Concerns with Alternatives:

- Removing parking
- Shared paths unsafe for pedestrians and children
- Narrowing Ford Street
- Bike lanes blocked by trash or poorly used
- Preference to keep road as is and use existing bike routes (Washington or Tucker Gulch)

### Preferred Alternative





## 1<sup>st</sup> Street Intersection



### Ideas and Priorities:

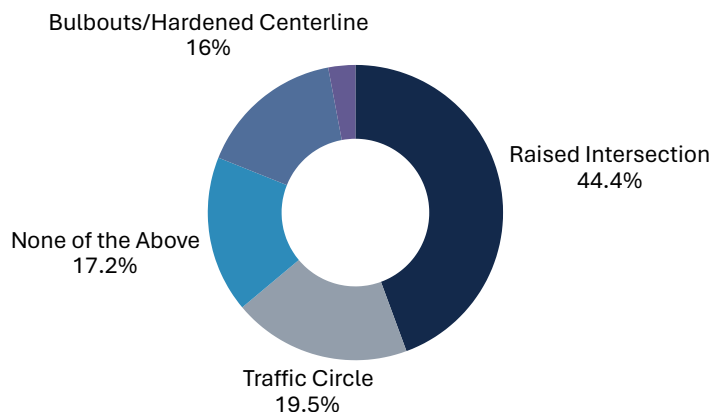
- Raised intersection or crosswalk
- Clearly marked crosswalks
- Safety for children walking to school
- Bike lanes



### Concerns with Alternatives:

- Traffic circle too small and unsafe on hill
- Curb extensions and bump-outs hinder visibility
- Removing parking
- Unnecessary infrastructure

### Preferred Alternative



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Intersection



### Ideas and Priorities:

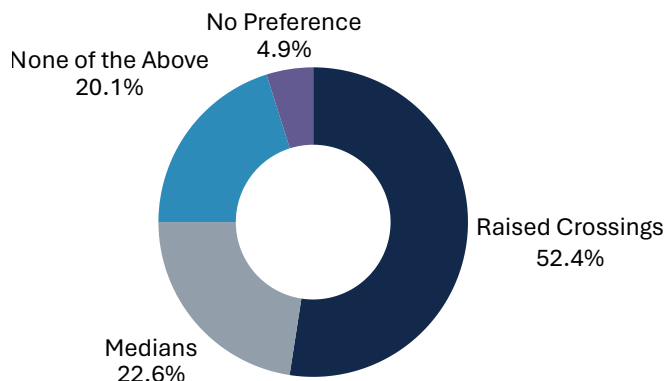
- Maintain or enhance raised crossing
- Improve signage and crosswalk visibility
- Add flashing pedestrian lights
- Widen sidewalks
- Consistent design with other intersections
- Bike lane markings



### Concerns with Alternatives:

- Removing trees
- Median
- Excessive infrastructure

### Preferred Alternative



## Iowa Street Intersection



### Ideas and Priorities:

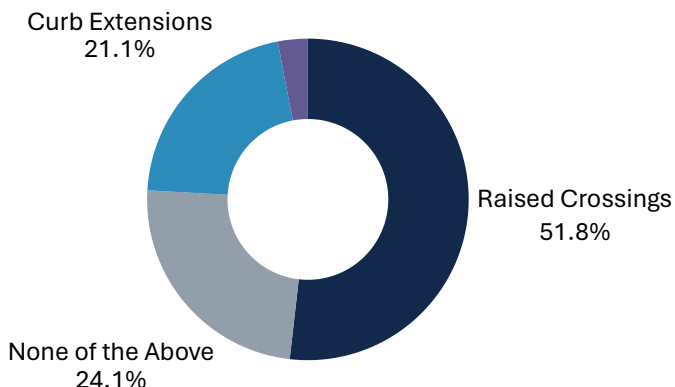
- Maintain 4-way stop
- Add or maintain raised crossings
- Improve visibility and stop sign markings
- Add painted crosswalks and stop bars



### Concerns with Alternatives:

- Removing trees
- Too much infrastructure at a 4-way stop
- Curb extensions

### Preferred Alternative

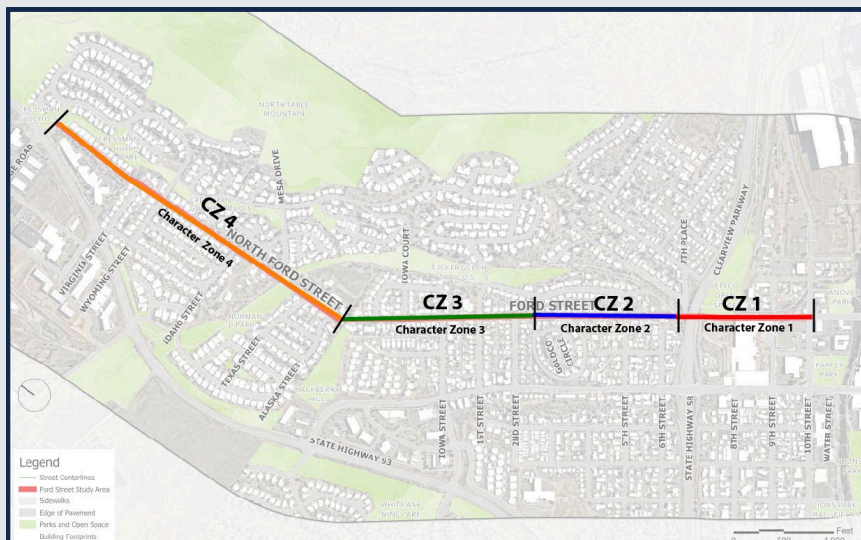


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### Zone 4 – Alaska Street to Pine Ridge Road



#### Ideas and Priorities:

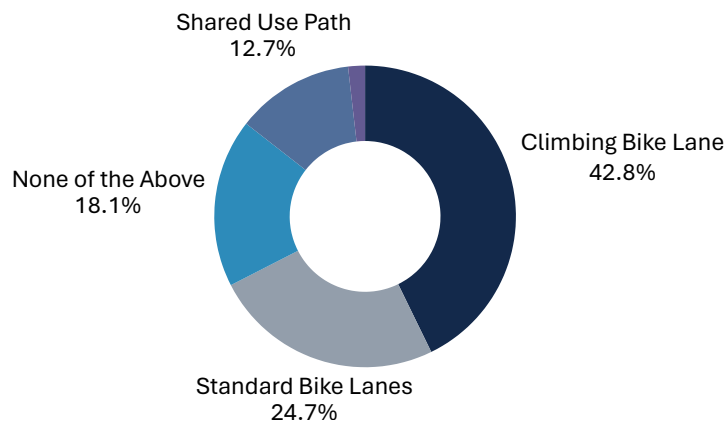
- Uphill bike lane
- Separate bikes, pedestrians, and cars, with physical barriers between bikes and cars
- Maintain some on-street parking
- Keep or expand existing traffic calming (speed bumps, bulbouts, raised intersections)
- Widen sidewalks, especially near Norman D Park
- Improve visibility and pedestrian safety at intersections
- Encourage use of existing trails



#### Concerns with Alternatives:

- Removing parking
- Downhill bike lane unnecessary
- Eliminating trees, planters, and medians
- Increase of Highway 93 traffic through North Ford

### Preferred Alternative





## Mesa Drive Intersection



### Ideas and Priorities:

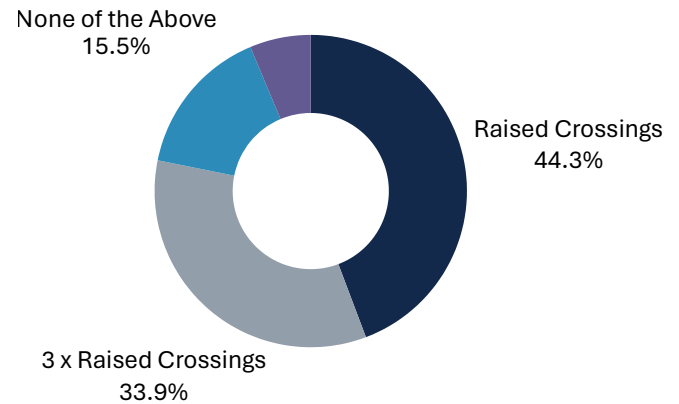
- Maintain or enhance traffic calming
- Add raised crossings and flashing lights
- Maintain trees, planters, and shade
- Improve signage and visibility



### Concerns with Alternatives:

- Removing traffic circle – mixed reviews
- Too many raised crossings
- Bicyclists can use nearby trails instead

### Preferred Alternative



## Alaska Street



### Ideas and Priorities:

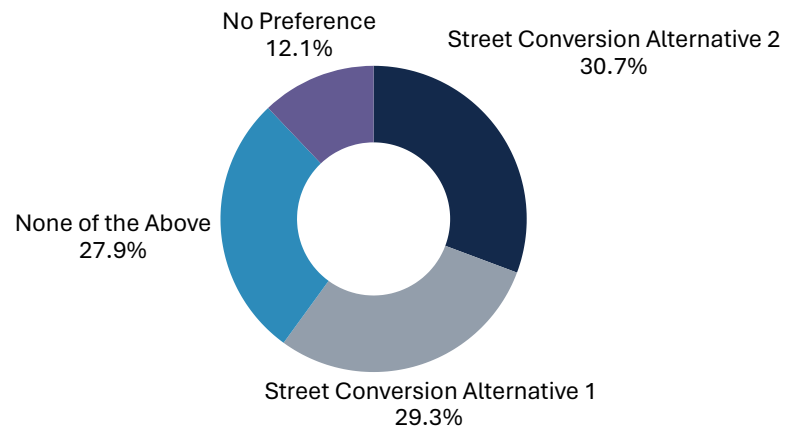
- Improve sight lines and visibility
- Widen sidewalks, especially east side
- Raised crossings or speed bumps



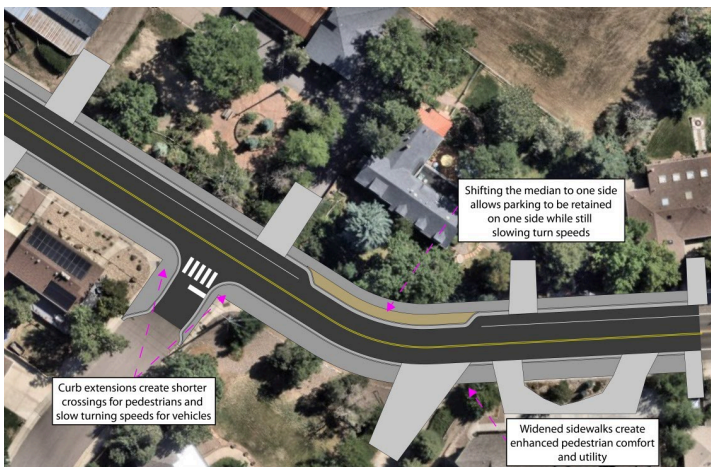
### Concerns with Alternatives:

- Median – mixed reviews
- Removal of trees and greenery

### Preferred Alternative



### Street Conversion Alternative 2



### Street Conversion Alternative 1

