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Downtown Vancouver Community Working Group

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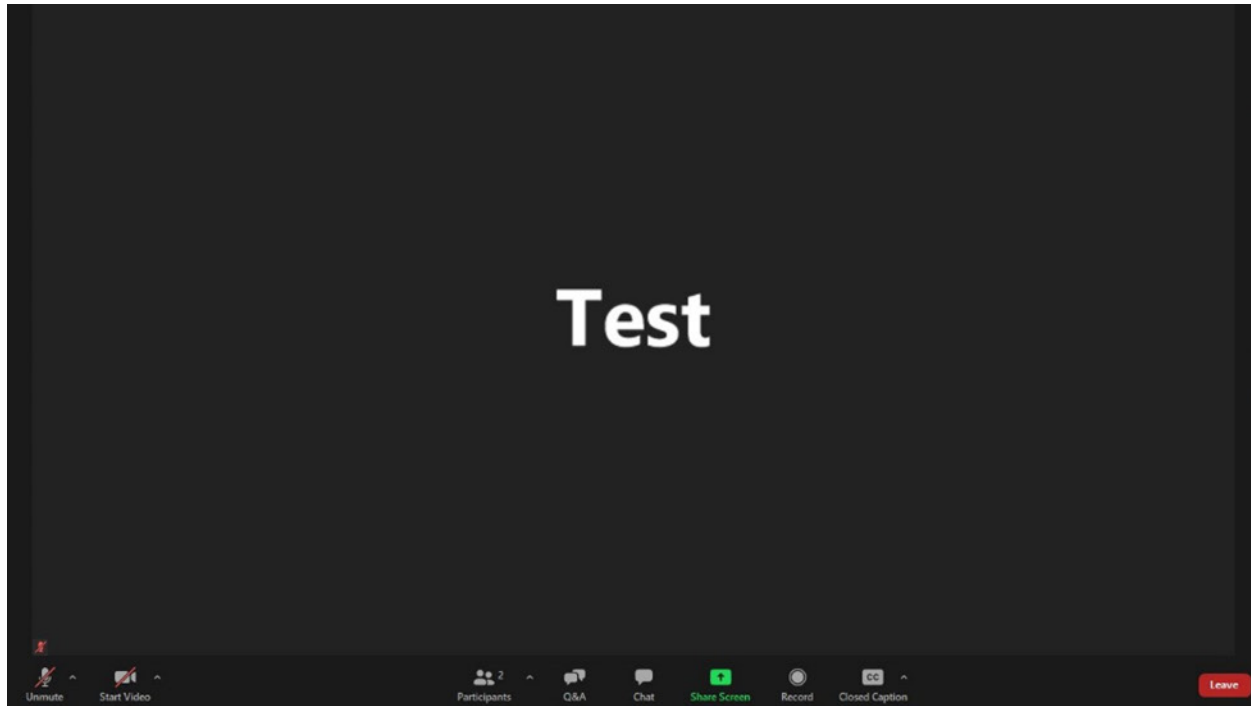
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Welcome Remarks

Frank Green, Assistant Program Administrator

► Agenda

- Introductions/icebreaker, meeting agreements and goals, review Community Working Group framework and roles
- Overview of previous planning and existing conditions
- Breakout rooms
- Report out from groups, review next meeting

► Next Meeting

- 10/26/21, 4:30-7:00 p.m.
- Topic: Review of design options, transit access and community integration

Meeting Agreements

- ▶ Put relationships first
- ▶ Keep focused on our common goal
- ▶ Notice power dynamics in the room
- ▶ Create a space for multiple truths & norms
- ▶ Be kind and brave
- ▶ Practice examining racially biased systems and processes
- ▶ Look for learning

Community Working Group Member Introductions

- ▶ Name, affiliation
- ▶ What is the one word that best describes your hope for the IBR program?

Your IBR Team

- ▶ Group Facilitator
- ▶ IBR Technical Leads

Community Working Group Framework

- ▶ Community Working Groups: Active Transportation, Downtown Vancouver, Hayden Island/Marine Drive, Multimodal Commuter
- ▶ Participants include at-large community members and organizational stakeholders that can provide insight on specific topics
- ▶ CAG members participate on Community Working Groups, providing a direct linkage to relay perspective and considerations in specific interest areas
- ▶ Each group will meet twice in 2021. Do not anticipate additional meetings but may reconvene on as-needed basis

Role of Community Working Groups

Provide feedback on specific transportation issues for the program's consideration.

- ▶ **Downtown Vancouver:** Provide feedback on downtown Vancouver transit and highway connections to the Interstate Bridge, including potential alternatives and design concepts.
- ▶ Your feedback informs program staff and will be shared as a community input to IBR decision makers.
- ▶ **Recommendation and Decision-Making Framework:**
interstatebridge.org/advisory-groups


Program Timeline

► Now through November 2021

- Update information and analyze what has changed since the previous planning effort
- Develop preliminary design concepts
- Embed equity and climate considerations within the design concepts
- Finalize screening criteria to evaluate design concepts
- Engage in a two-way dialogue with the community sharing preliminary design concepts

► Early 2022

- Collaborate with partners and stakeholders to develop and reach consensus on the IBR multimodal design solution



Previous Planning, What's Changed, and Existing Conditions

Brad Phillips and Tom Bennett

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Previous Planning

- ▶ **Changes since 2013**
 - Bus Rapid Transit (The Vine)
 - Waterfront and downtown development
- ▶ **Common Design Assumptions**
 - Replace the Interstate Bridge to the west side of the existing bridge
 - Shared-use path on bridge
 - Local pedestrian/bicycle improvements
 - Main St. connection to waterfront
 - Community Connector
 - High Capacity Transit connection between Vancouver and Portland
- ▶ **Community Values and Priorities**
 - Access and Mobility
 - Safety
 - Property and Land-use Compatibility
 - Natural Resources and Cultural Heritage
 - Equity and Climate
- ▶ **We want to hear more from you this evening.**



Downtown Vancouver & Waterfront

Existing I-5 crossings at:

- Columbia Way
- Evergreen Blvd.
- Mill Plain Blvd.

The program is evaluating:

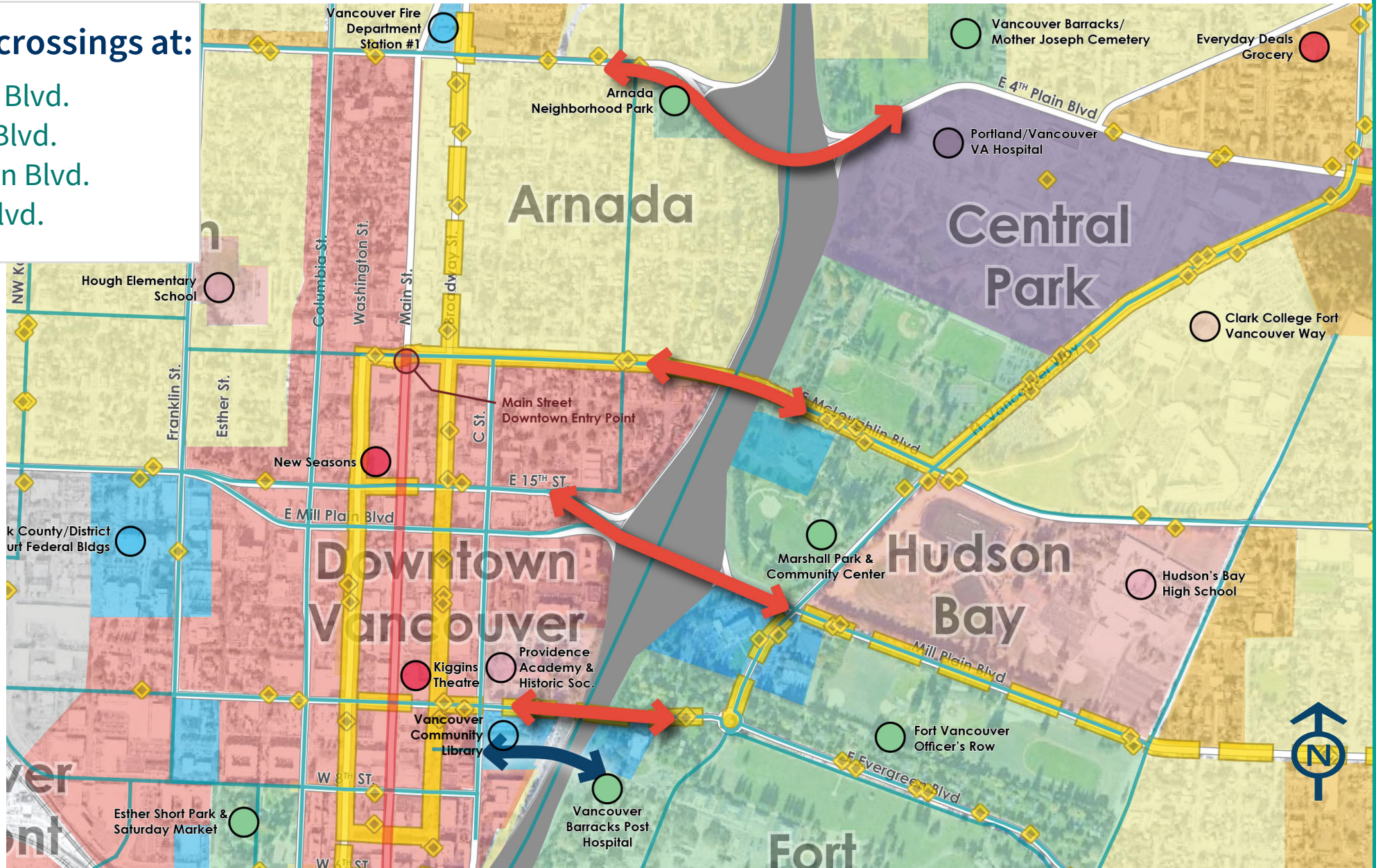
- Main St. extension to waterfront (Columbia Way)
- Community Connector south of Evergreen Blvd.



Evergreen Blvd. to 4th Plain Blvd.

► Existing I-5 crossings at:

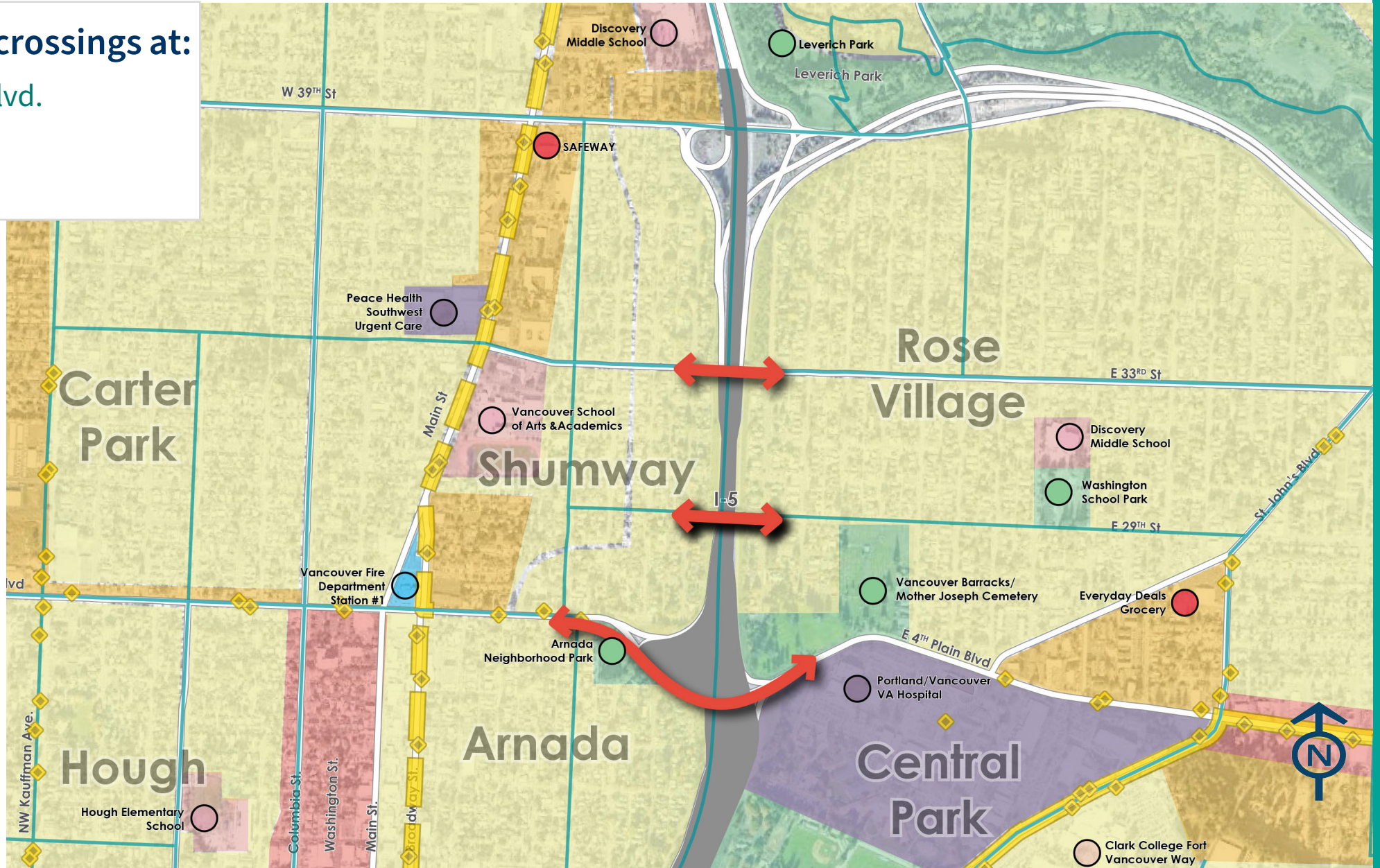
- Evergreen Blvd.
- Mill Plain Blvd.
- McLoughlin Blvd.
- 4th Plain Blvd.



4th Plain Blvd. to 39th Street

► Existing I-5 crossings at:

- 4th Plain Blvd.
- 29th Street
- 33rd Street



Breakout Room Questions

- ▶ **The good:** Identify what currently works well. Specifically, how do the current conditions allow you to get where you need/want to go?
- ▶ **The challenges:** Can you point out any specific areas (streets/intersections/points of exit or entry) that currently cause significant traffic flow, access, efficiency or safety issues?
- ▶ **Areas for improvement:** Do the current conditions allow you to get where you want to go using the means you need/want to get there (transit, bike, car, walk, etc.)? Are there places you currently can't access or want better access to?



Participants are currently in a
breakout session.

Breakout session report out

Additional Engagement Opportunities

- ▶ Community Advisory Group Meeting, October 7
- ▶ Equity Advisory Group Meeting, October 18
- ▶ Executive Steering Group Meeting, October 21
- ▶ Follow us on social media
- ▶ Sign-up for our newsletter, interstatebridge.org/news
- ▶ Email info@interstatebridge.org

- ▶ Today's meeting recording and materials: interstatebridge.org/community-working-groups
- ▶ Program information library: interstatebridge.org/library

Next Downtown Vancouver Community Working Group Meeting

- ▶ October 26, 4:30-7:00 p.m.
- ▶ Topic: Review of design options, transit access and community integration



Thank you!

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