

# Monroe Street Reconstruction

Business Roundtable

March 29, 2017

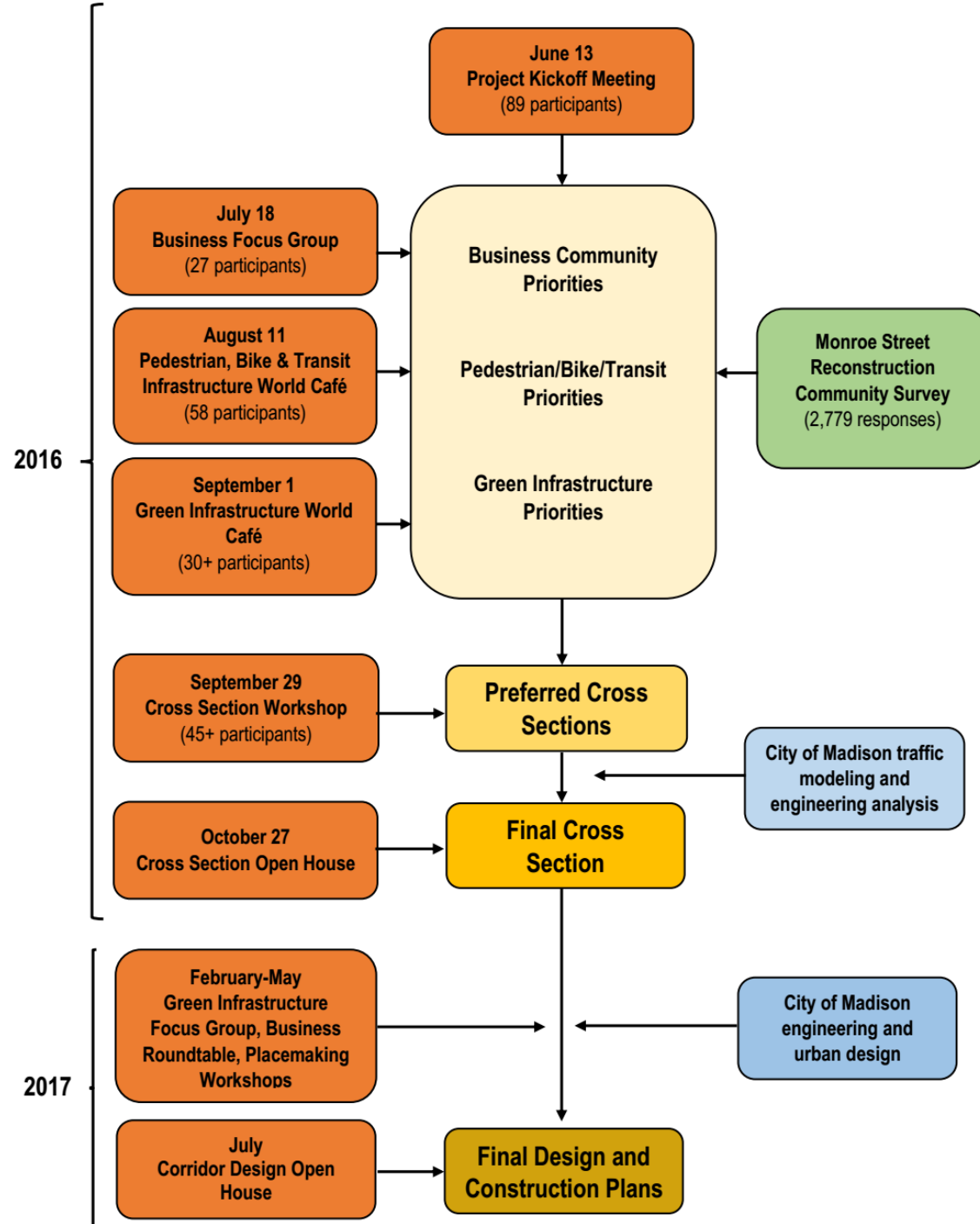


# Tonight's Agenda

## Thank you to HotelRED and Roman Candle Pizza!

1. Monroe Street Business Strategy Overview
2. Reconstruction Project Scope Overview
3. Business District Improvements and Discussion
  - a) Planned
  - b) Potential
4. Next Steps

# Monroe Street Planning Process



# Monroe Street Business Strategy Review

Ruth Rohlich and Mike Miller  
Office of Business Resources



# Project Overview

Jim Wolfe

Project Engineer, City of Madison



# Project Scope & Timeline

- Reconstruction will occur within nine months:
  - March-November 2018



- Utilities
- Street

# 2018 Project Budget

- Total project budget: approx. \$17 million
- Street: \$9.8 million
  - Infrastructure replacement (pavement, curb, sidewalk)
  - Lighting and signal replacement
  - Pavement markings
  - Other pedestrian improvements
  - Some storm sewer (inlets & leads)
  - Costs of any placemaking (including Crazy Legs Triangle & public art)
  - Includes some funds for undergrounding in business areas



# Budget Sources Breakdown

## Project Budgeting for 2018:

- Sanitary Sewer: \$4 million
  - Replacement of sewer main & laterals
- Water Main: \$2.2 million
  - Replacement of main & reconnection of services
- Storm Sewer: \$750,000
  - Replacement & installation of new main
- Water Quality: \$200,000
  - Catch basins & treatment structure
- Rain Gardens: \$20,000



# What to Expect During Construction

- Daily start and end times
- Traffic flow
- Notifications for water shutoff, etc.
- Routing Edgewood traffic
- Parking
- Impact on new development projects
- Metro detours and consolidated eastbound stops

# Business District Improvements: Planned and Potential

Jim Wolfe, Project Engineer

Phil Gaebler, Water Resources Specialist



# Monroe Street Commercial Districts



Figure A-2: Locations of the Three Commercial Nodes



# 2016 Business Focus Group

- Business districts are a big part of what makes Monroe unique & vibrant
- What we heard:
  - Maintain or increase parking availability
  - Increase pedestrian safety
  - Slow traffic
  - Maintain traffic flow and Metro schedules
  - Make Monroe Street a destination



# Community Survey Results

“What strategies would encourage you to access destinations on Monroe via walking?”

1. More visible crosswalks
2. Slower automobile traffic
3. Less automobile traffic

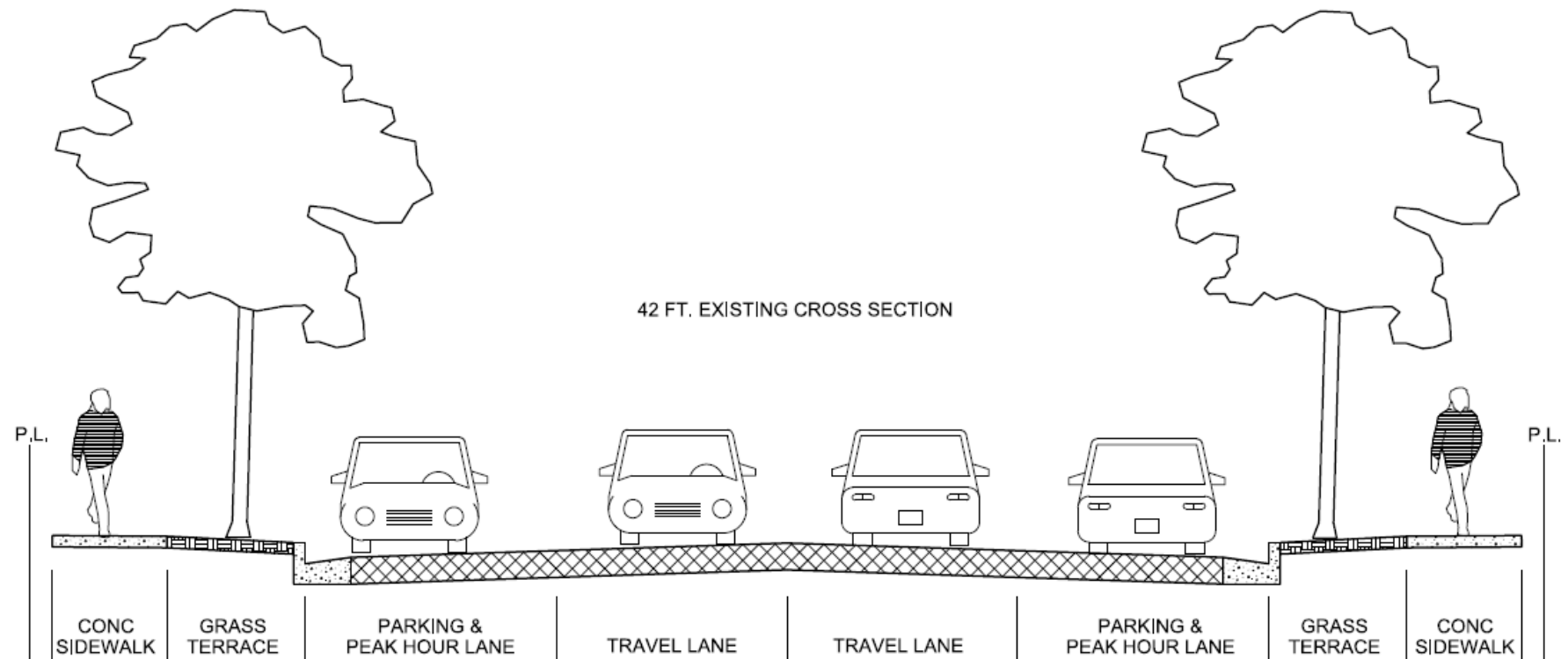


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# Planned Improvements

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- Pedestrian infrastructure
- Bicycle infrastructure
- Placemaking “nodes”
- Parking meters
- Bus stops



# Pedestrian Infrastructure

- Modified traffic signals
- Pedestrian countdown timers
- Leading pedestrian intervals
- Rectangular rapid flashing beacons (RRFBs) at six intersections





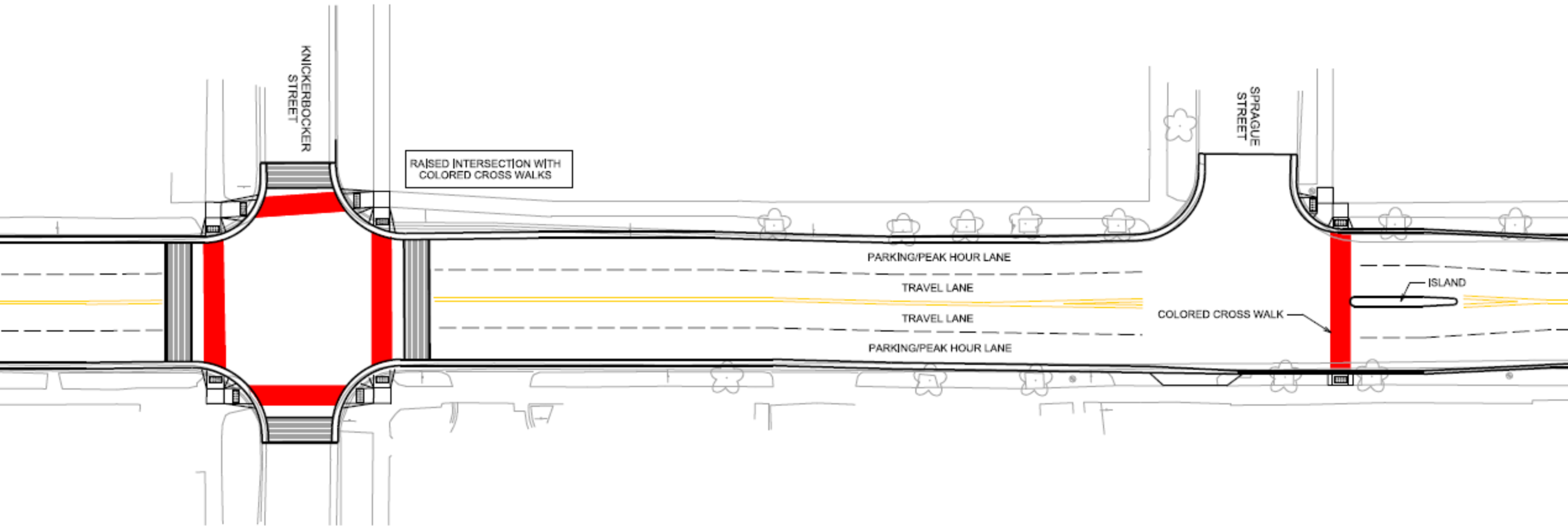
# Pedestrian Infrastructure

- High-visibility crosswalks at key locations
- Crossing islands
- Pedestrian-scale lighting
- Raised intersections:
  - Harrison
  - Leonard
  - Knickerbocker
  - Glenway
- Narrowing from Harrison to Regent



# Pedestrian Improvements

- Knickerbocker – Sprague example



# Parking Meters and Bus Stops

- Multi-space smart meters
- Bus stop amenities





# Bike Infrastructure

- Improved signage along SW Commuter Path
  - Complete before or during project
- On-street bike parking
  - Attached to parking meter markers
  - Post-and-ring
- Side street parking:
  - At corners where there is space and property owners request



# Additional Placemaking Opportunities

- Crazy Legs Triangle
  - Public art
  - Seating
  - Bike parking
  - Green design & education
  - Other?
- Wingra Park entrance
  - Smaller-scale public art
  - Bus stop / seating
- ***There will be separate meetings for each of these locations.***





# Optional Improvements & Other Ideas



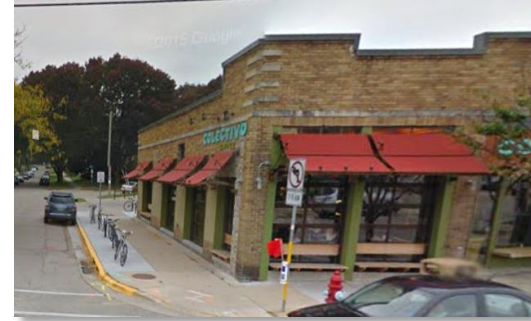
# Optional with Private Investment

- Planters
- Special signage
- Special trash bins
- Bus shelter art and/or green bus stops



# Optional with Private Investment

- Side street terraces where space allows:
  - Rain gardens
  - Bike parking
  - Seating
- Potential locations:
  - Gilmore
  - Chapman
  - Baltzell
  - Pickford
  - Crandall
  - Knickerbocker
  - West Lawn
  - Lincoln
  - Harrison
  - Leonard, if current gardeners interested
- Green infrastructure on private property





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# Questions, Comments, Ideas?

*Pedestrians, bikes, bus stops,  
parking, placemaking,  
streetscaping, green design...*

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Next Steps

# Upcoming Public Meetings

- **April 27**      **Wingra Park Entrance & Intersection Workshop**  
5:30-7:30PM, Temple Beth El
- **June 21**      **Preliminary Corridor Design Workshop**  
6-8PM, Wingra School
- **July 20**      **Final Corridor Design Open House**  
6-8PM, Edgewood College

***Separate process for Crazy Legs Triangle, TBD***

## For More Information:

- All meeting materials are posted online at City of Madison Engineering:  
[www.cityofmadison.com/engineering/projects/monroe-street](http://www.cityofmadison.com/engineering/projects/monroe-street)
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