



# 37th Ave NE Reconstruction

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## Project Introduction

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## Agenda

- Introductions
- Project background
- What 37th Ave NE looks like today
- Future trail on 37th Ave NE
- Future design of 37th Ave NE
- Public input



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## Project Background

- Reconstruction of 1 mile segment planned in 2023
- Complete replacement of pavement, curb and gutter
- Sidewalk and trail improvements
- Safety improvements, greening and other enhancements

## Project Partners

- City Of Minneapolis
- City of Columbia Heights
- City of Saint Anthony
- Hennepin County





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## Project Location

37th Ave NE - From Central Ave NE to Stinson Boulevard





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## Project Goals

- Improve pedestrian and bicycle safety and access
- Provide transportation investment to benefit users
- Support transit service
- Improve access to businesses and connect freight corridors
- Explore green infrastructure to collect and treat stormwater runoff

## Project Schedule



**2018**  
Regional Solicitation



**Winter 2020-2021**  
Engagement & concepts



**Spring 2021**  
Preliminary design complete



**2021-2022**  
Final design complete



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## Existing Conditions

- Minor arterial street serving Minneapolis' Waite Park neighborhood, Columbia Heights and Saint Anthony.
- Adjacent land uses are primarily residential in character, with commercial buildings at major intersections.









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## Existing City Policies

- Minneapolis Vision Zero Resolution 
- Minneapolis Complete Streets Policy 
- The Minneapolis Transportation Action Plan (TAP) 
- Minneapolis 2040 Plan 
- Columbia Heights Comprehensive Plan
- Columbia Heights Pedestrian and Bike Mobility Plan







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## Project Facts

- In 2018 the project was awarded funds for a portion of the project through the Met Council Regional Solicitation.
- The project is a partnership between the City of Minneapolis and the City of Columbia Heights. Other partners include City of St Anthony, Hennepin County, and MnDOT.
- The street was built in 1961 and is in poor condition.
- Minneapolis Complete Streets and Vision Zero policies prioritize streets for safety and for people walking, biking, and taking transit.






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## Reported Crashes

- 2015 - 2019

	Reported crashes	% Crashes with injuries
 Pedestrian	2	100%
 Bicycle	2	100%*
 Vehicle	101	31%
Total crashes	105	34%

\* 1 bicycle crash resulted in a fatality



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## Transit today





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## Stormwater management



Tree trench



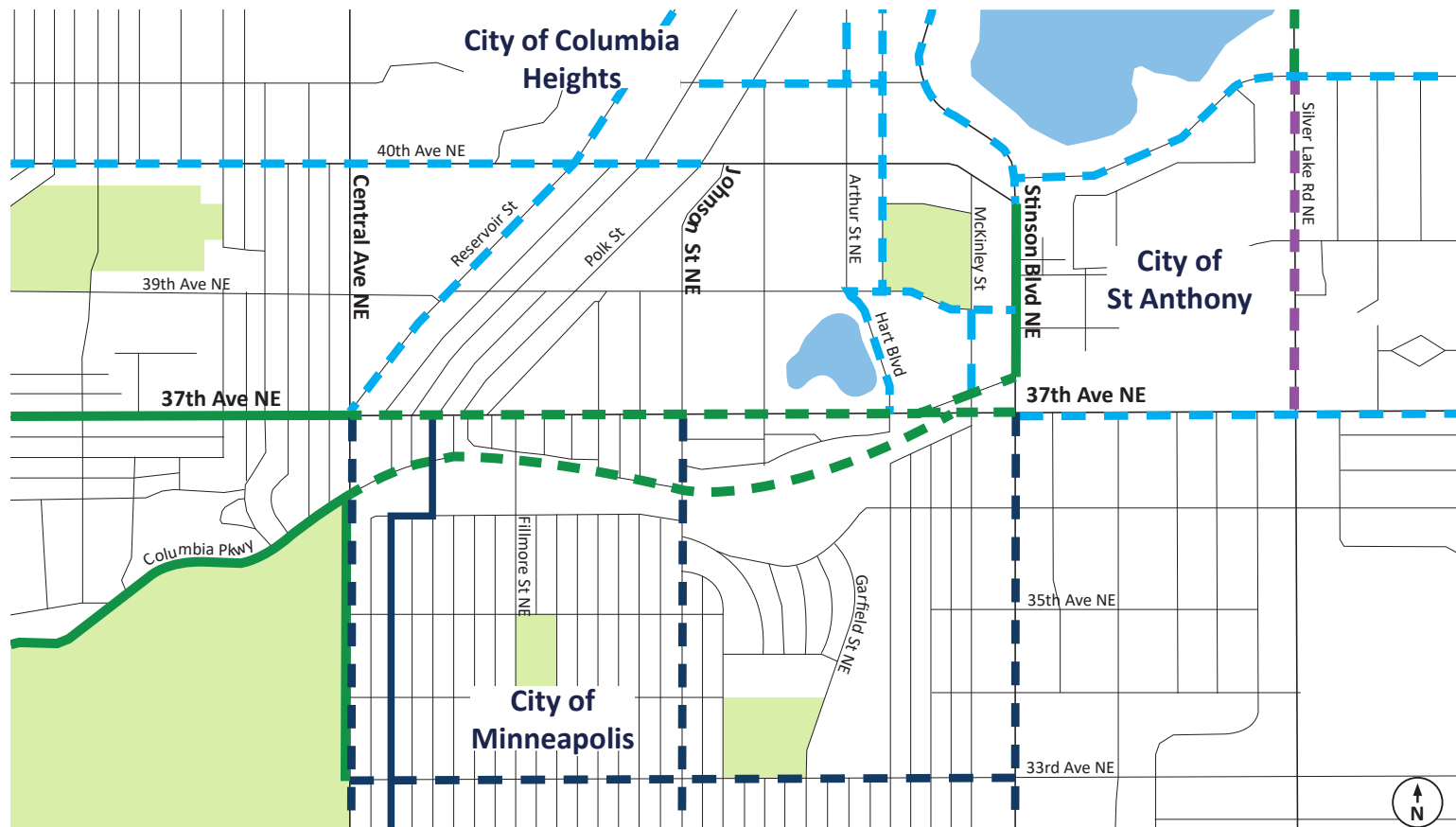
Drainage pond



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## Existing Trail Network



- off-street
- planned off-street
- proposed off-street
- on-street
- planned on-street
- proposed on-street



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## Future shared-use trail

- Full extent - Central Ave to Stinson Blvd
- Pedestrian and Bicycle shared-use path
- Separated from vehicles
- 10ft wide trail
- Opposing side of street will have a sidewalk



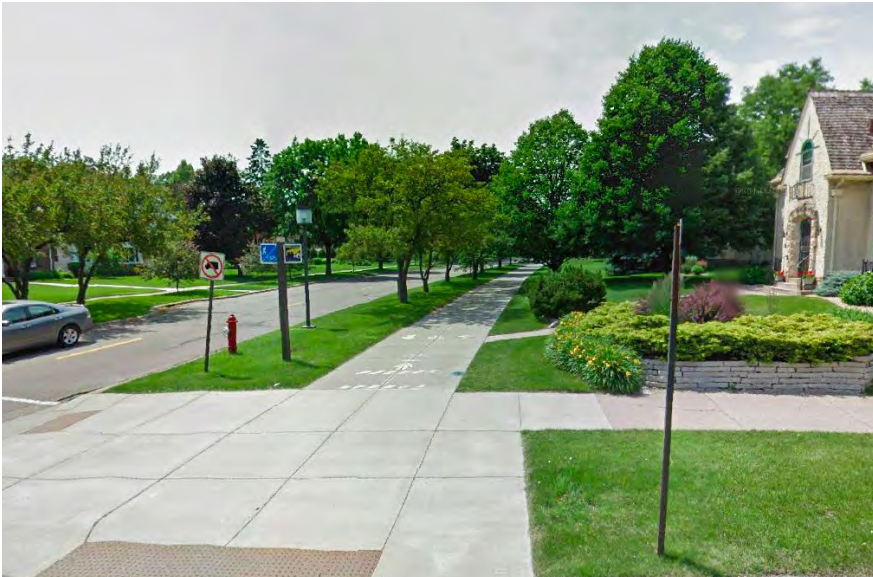
37th Ave NE trail west of Central Ave NE



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## Examples of Shared-Use Trails



St Anthony Pkwy



Lexington Pkwy



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## Trail Placement Alternatives - Considerations

### Alternative 1 - north side

- More direct connections to other trails
- Fewer cross-street crossings for trail users
- Wider boulevard on the north side at the railroad crossing
- Would require shift street to the south

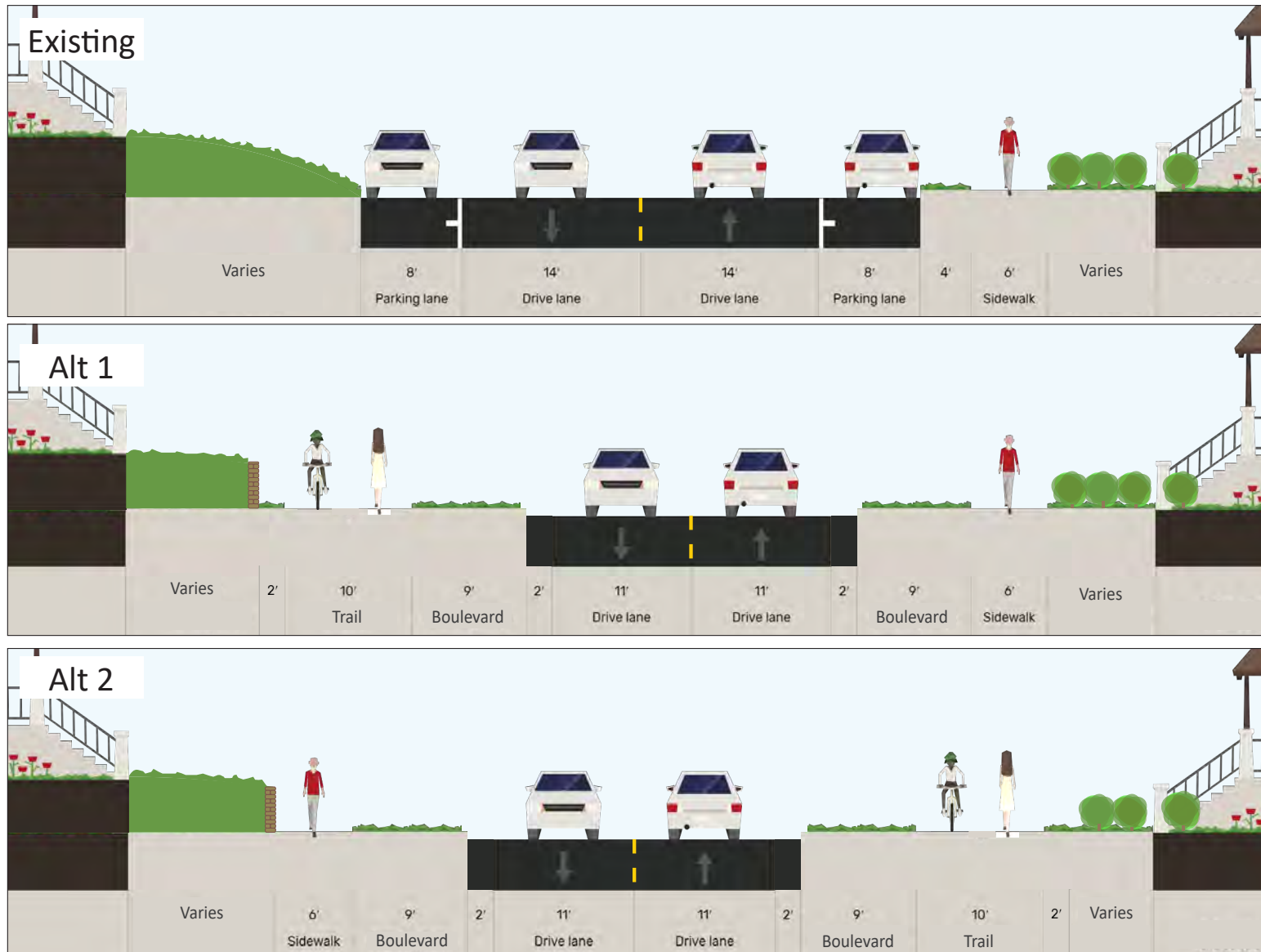
### Alternative 2 - south side

- Potentially fewer/shorter retaining walls on the north side
- Street does not require a shift
- Trail will need to cross to opposite sides at Central Ave and Hart Blvd





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North Side

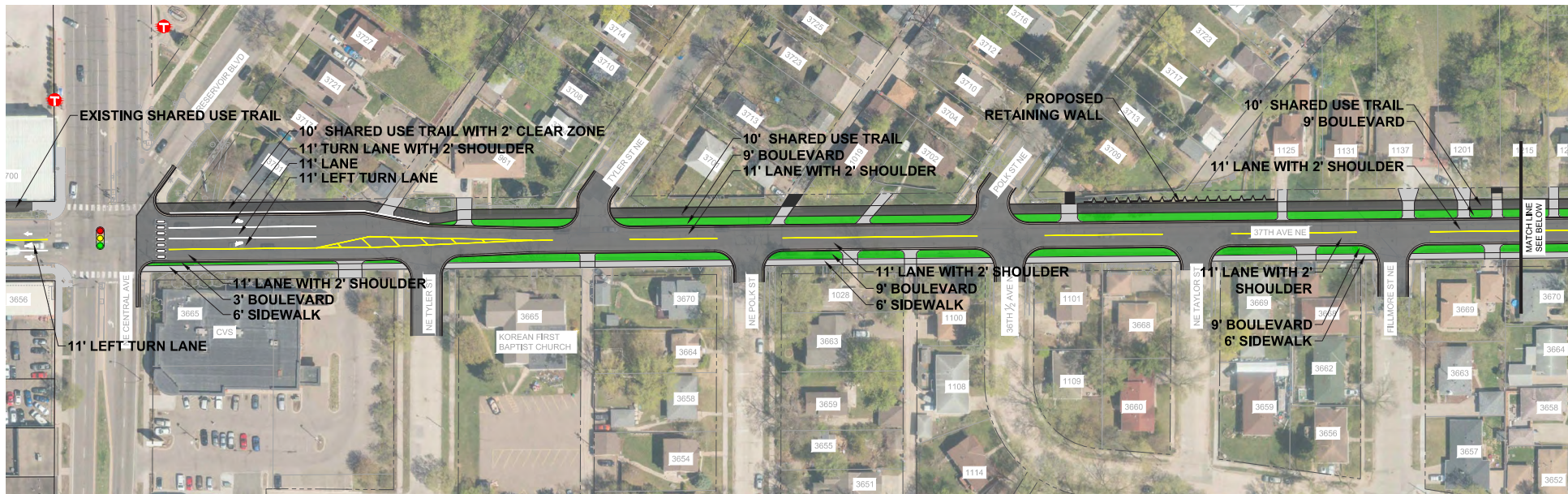
South Side



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## Alternative 1 Trail on north side of street

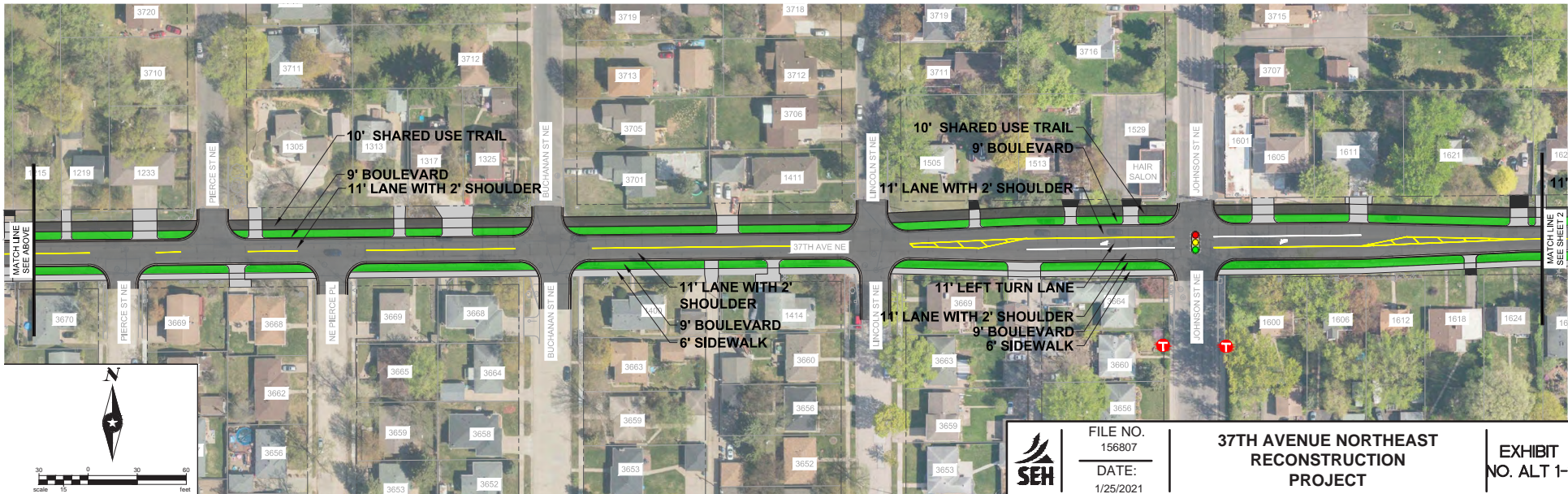




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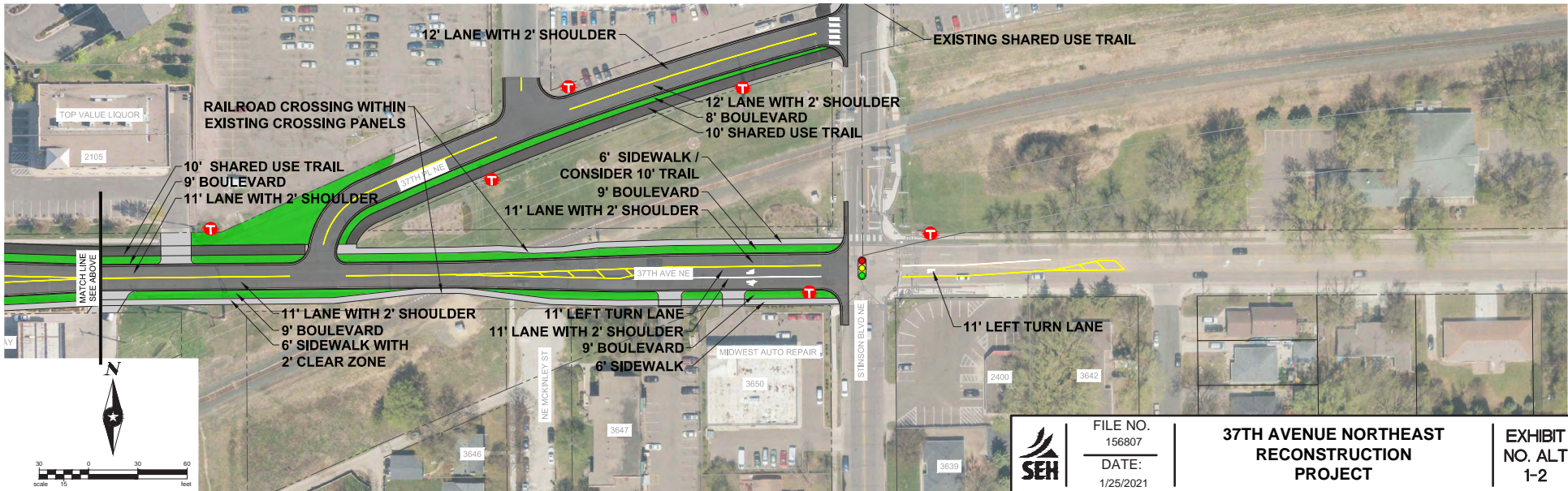




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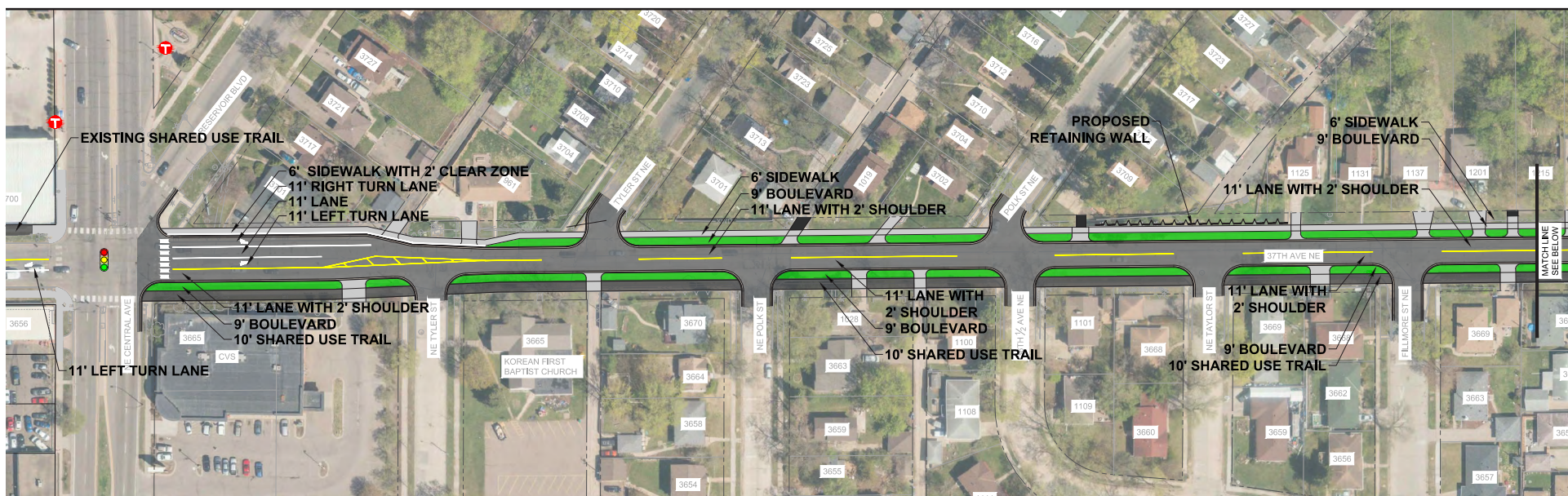




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## Alternative 2 Trail on south side of street

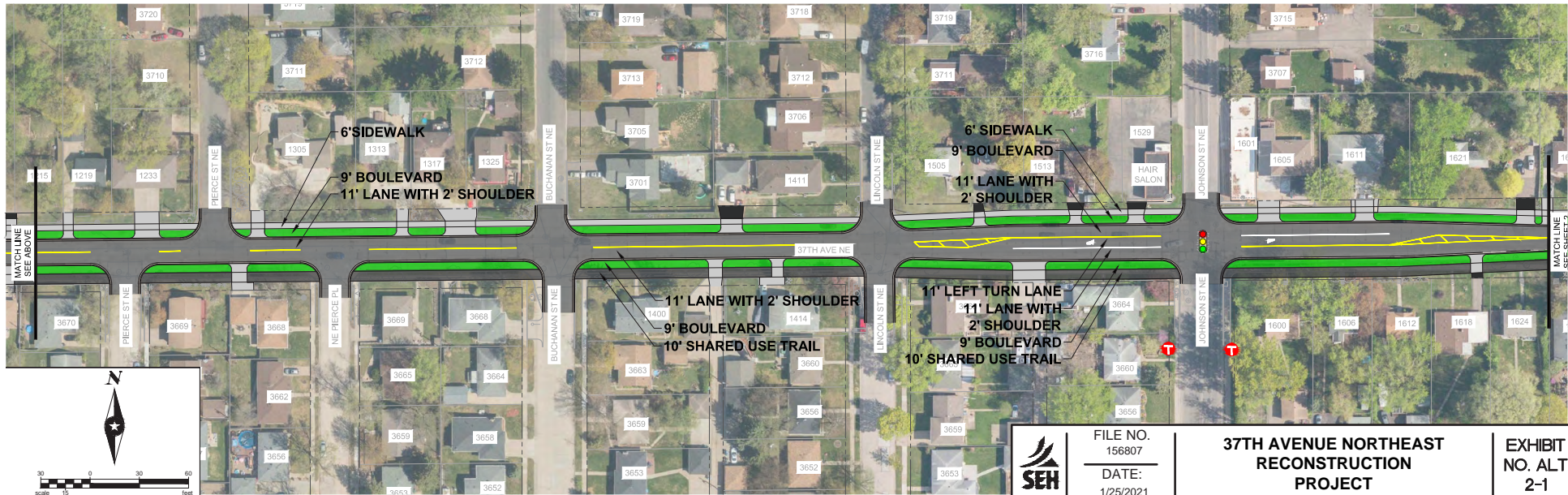




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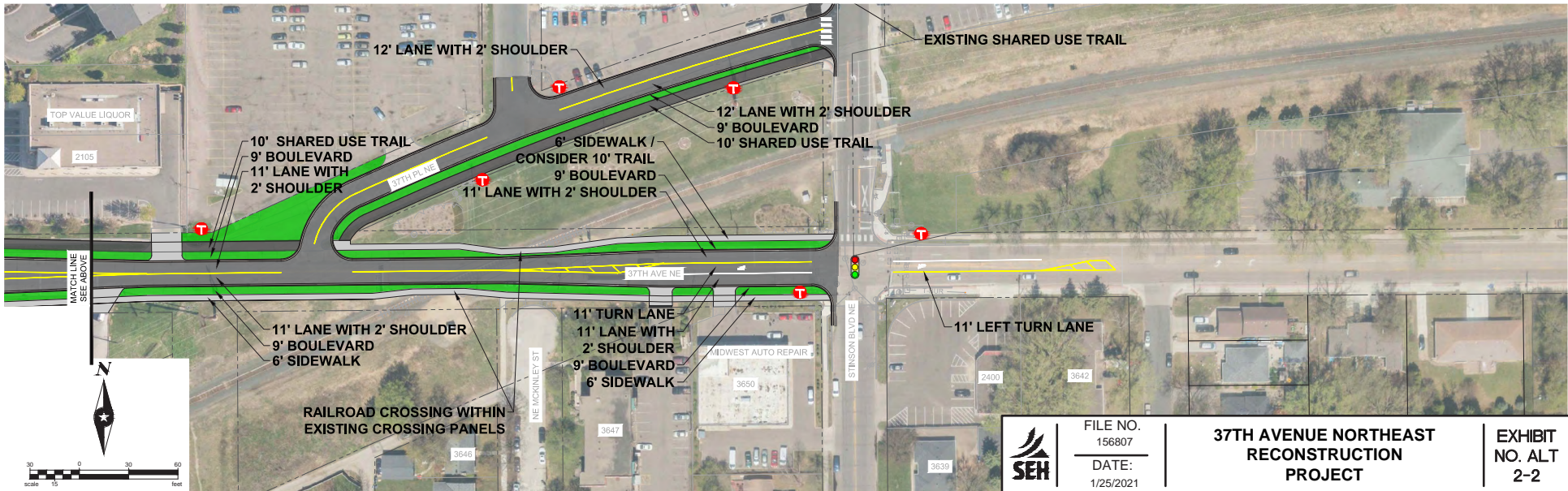




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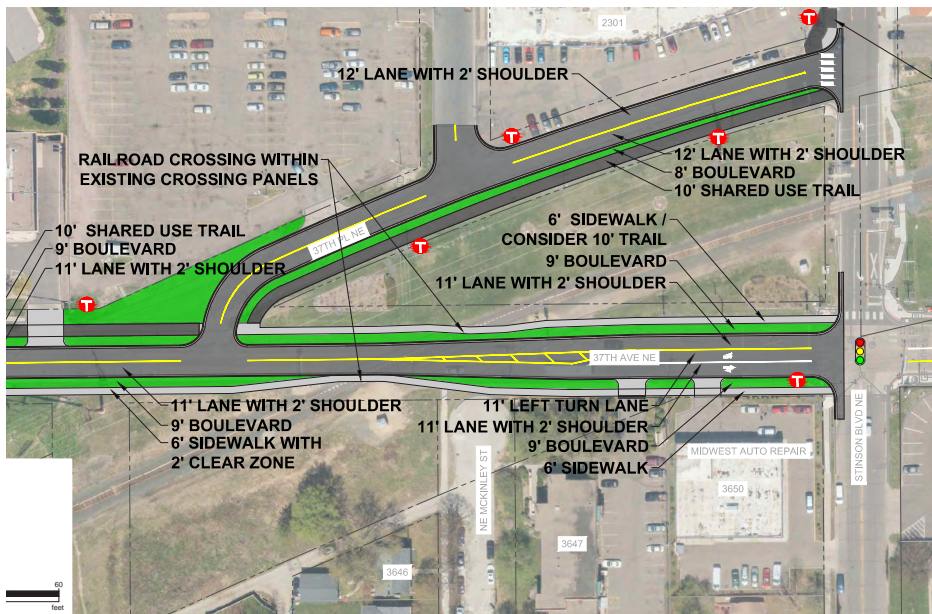




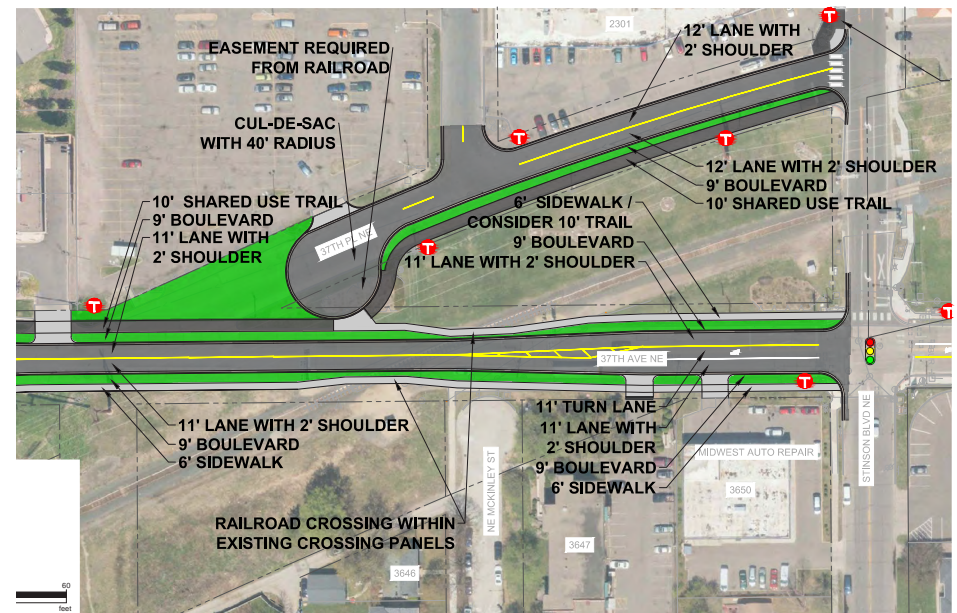
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## 37th Place NE



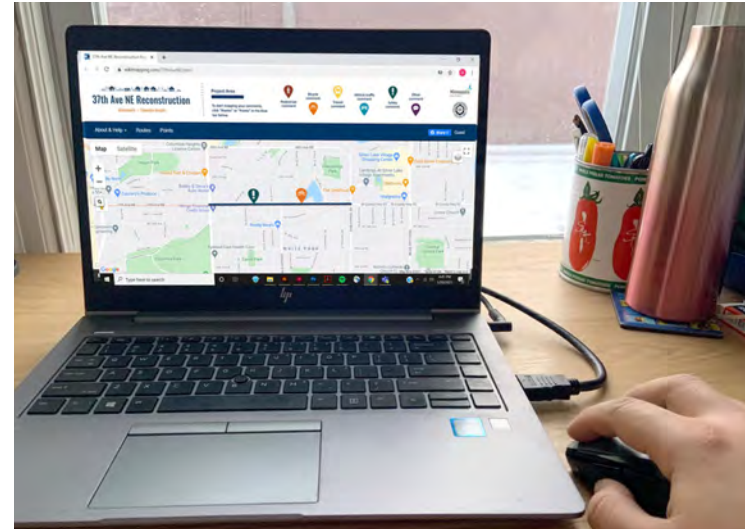
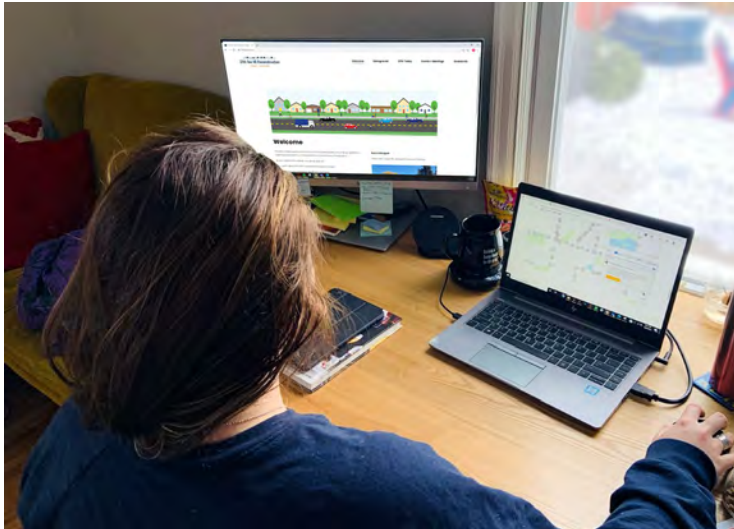
Option A - Maintain Connection



Option B - Cul de Sac



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**The next session will  
start at 7:30pm**

**Will include the same information  
as 6:30pm presentation**

