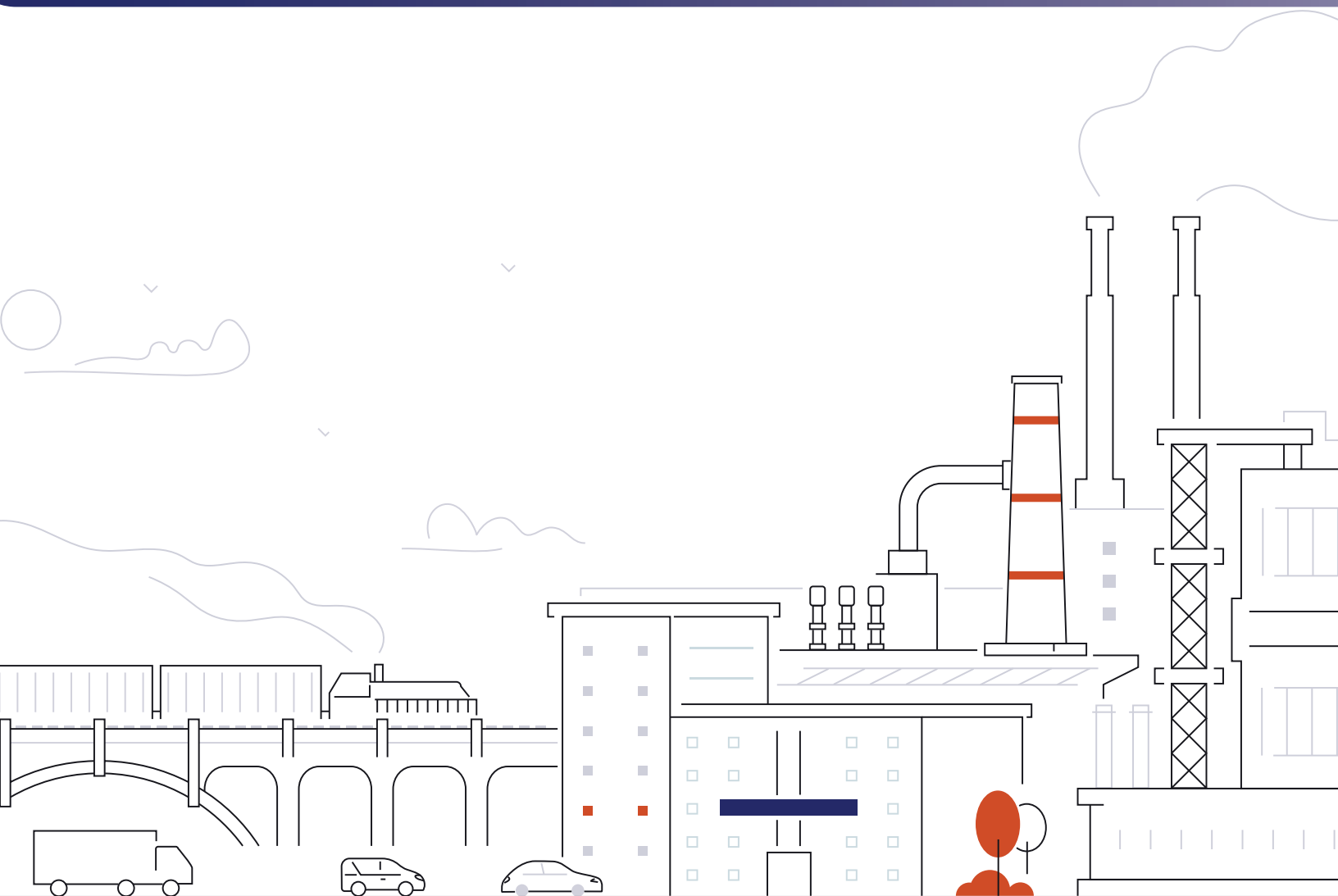


Appendix D.

# Public and Agency Involvement





# Public and Agency Involvement Documentation

September 2023

## Background

Direct coordination with potentially impacted property owners occurred through individual and small group video conferences (video conferences were used due to the 2020 pandemic). A letter was mailed or emailed directly to each potentially impacted property owner inviting them to a meeting to discuss the Project with CDOT ROW staff and Project team members. Individual meetings were held with those with anticipated ROW impacts and/or potential access changes. Follow-up meetings were held and letter/email updates were provided as needed. During the initial meetings, the Project Purpose, Goals, process and anticipated schedule were reviewed and the conceptual Project design was presented for comments. Subsequent meetings presented in-progress revised conceptual design for comment and ways to mitigate or minimize impacts to their property were discussed. **Attachment A** includes a summary of all correspondence and meetings with potentially impacted property owners.

Outreach, coordination and consultation were conducted with multiple federal, state and local agencies and stakeholders. Letters were mailed and emailed to federal, state and local resource agencies to serve as an invitation to the official agency scoping meeting for the Project. This meeting was held on April 11, 2022 to review the Project's Purpose and Need, review the Project schedule and obtain agency comment on any important environmental or regulatory issues. CDOT and FHWA were also included in the meeting. Comments were invited via email for those who were unable to attend the meeting. The letter inviting agencies to the agency scoping meeting is included in **Attachment B**, along with documentation of resource agency replies received.

As part of the local agency coordination conducted, a design charrette was held on August 13, 2020 with CDOT executives and staff, Commerce City, Adams County and members of the consultant project team. This involved a roundtable discussion of agency perspectives and priorities along with an interactive visioning exercise for 60th Avenue and Vasquez Boulevard long-term improvements. The vision resulting from that coordination is documented in **Attachment C**.

Coordination occurred frequently with the Commerce City throughout the project and included regular staff leadership check-ins and meetings focused on technical disciplines and project aspects. A listing of these meetings with Commerce City staff can be found in **Attachment D**.

Eleven tribes that have a presence within or near the project were contacted and informed about the Proposed Action and were provided with an interest response form. Documentation of this correspondence can be found in **Attachment E**.

**Attachment A**

# **Correspondence Meetings**



# Potentially Impacted Property Owner Coordination

July 18, 2023

Property	Description of Likely Impact	Points of Contact & Key Takeaways of Discussion
Northwest Quadrant		
<p>6101 Dexter Street, Commerce City, CO 80022</p>	<p>Minor parking lot impacts, minor right-of-way needed on south edge of property</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 11/18/21 Meeting: Videoconference with project team to introduce project and draft recommended improvements. Property owner representative sent info he had on cell tower lease owner and PUD drawing for their planned site changes. Follow-up email: Draft recommendation graphic and I-270 contact.</li> <li>• 12/6/21: Project team member responded to property owner representative’s question and confirmed no signal being added at 60th &amp; Clermont.</li> <li>• 1/14/22: Sent permission to enter request letter via email for survey. Sent reminder 1/24/22. Granted access 1/24/22.</li> <li>• 3/9/22: Project team member sent project update email with attached Proposed Project graphic and offered meeting. Property owner representative responded with desire for traffic signal at 60th and Clermont and a driveway from their property onto 61<sup>st</sup>.</li> <li>• 3/17/22 Meeting: Project update videoconference held to discuss Proposed Project. Property owner representative shared CAD files of site development with the project team. Property owner representative requested topo survey files for his site.</li> <li>• 4/7/22 Email: Project team member emailed topo survey files to property owner representative (provided by I-270 Project Team to CDOT as part of the I-270 survey).</li> <li>• 4/12/22 Email: Property owner representative provided Phase 1 ESA and ALTA survey info to team per team’s request for drainage report information.</li> <li>• 12/9/22 Email: Project team member sent permission to enter request letter for geotech borings via email. Property owner representative granted permission on 12/12/22.</li> <li>• 4/26/23 Email: Property owner noted opposition to proposed pond location.</li> </ul>



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5/25/23 Email: Project team member sent invite to business focus group set for 6/12/23.</li> <li>• 6/1/23 Email: Property owner requested latest design and noted concern about impacts.</li> <li>• 6/8/23 Email: Project team member sent graphic of latest design.</li> </ul>
<p>6290 Clermont Street, Commerce City, CO 80022</p>	<p>Minor right-of-way needed on south edge of property</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nov. and Dec. 2021: Multiple unsuccessful attempts to reach owner through conversations with tenant. No response to letters or emails to multiple addresses, including one provided by CDOT from Sec. of State database.</li> <li>• 11/17/21: Project team member spoke with business tenant Operations Manager. He is out of town but promised to research owner and send contact info to project team member. Project team member sent follow-up email but no response.</li> <li>• 1/17/22: Sent permission to enter request letter for survey via email to business tenant Operations Manager and offered meeting again. Sent reminder on 1/24/22. Tenant Operations Manager responded via email on 1/25/22 giving instructions for field staff to check in and wear safety gear but didn't return the signed form.</li> <li>• 1/22/22: Project team member called business tenant and spoke with receptionist who took a message for Operations Manager (voicemail wasn't working), explaining a small portion of the south end of the yard will likely be impacted by a new roadway. Offered meeting and explained need for permission to enter.</li> <li>• 1/26/22: Project team member responded to Operations Manager email again offering to meet and explaining planned right-of-way impacts.</li> <li>• 3/9/22: Project team member sent project update email to Operations Manager with attached Proposed Project graphic and offered meeting.</li> <li>• 3/24/22: Property owner called project team member checking to see if his property will be impacted. Project team member exchanged messages and scheduled a meeting. On 3/29/22 project team member sent email with Proposed Project graphic and noted expected slight impact along south property line. Also sent I-270 project contact info. Project team member asked property owner to confirm ownership info. He replied confirming his mailing address and emails for the co-owner saying they'd both attend the meeting.</li> <li>• 4/1/22 Meeting: Videoconference with project team and property owners to introduce project and describe property impacts from Proposed Project. Explained likely need for pond although not yet sized or located and need for roadway right-of-way. Owners opposed. They were soon to sell the property and they believe the sale is jeopardized. They are disputing the right-of-way for the small parcel they use south of their property.</li> </ul>



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4/27/22 Email: Project team member sent permission to enter request letter, form, and work area exhibit for geotech. Property owner emailed saying he will be available to meet in June and project team member sent dates for a meeting in early June. On 4/28 property owner chose date and voiced concern. On 4/29, property owner provided Special Warranty Deed and page of lease showing they have control over city's strip of land south of their property.</li> <li>• 5/24/22 Email: Project team member replied to property owner's emailed questions. Notified Proposed Project graphic will be posted online so he can notify tenant ahead. Provided right-of-way acquisition booklet. Again requested permission to enter.</li> <li>• 5/31/22 Email: Property owner representative (#2) provided the property lease agreement documents, with privileged info redacted. Project team member replied acknowledging receipt and noting planned meeting on 6/7.</li> <li>• 6/7/22 Meeting: Videoconference</li> <li>• 6/24/22 Email: Project team member sent city contact person phone number and email to property owner.</li> <li>• 3/23/23 Email: Project team member sent graphic of latest project design.</li> <li>• 5/25/23 Email: Project team member sent invite to business focus group set for 6/12/23.</li> <li>• 6/12/23 Meeting: Property owner attended business focus group videoconference.</li> </ul>
<p>6091 Dexter Street, Commerce City, CO 80022</p>	<p>Potential minor parking lot impact, minor right-of-way needed on north edge of property in landscaped area and undeveloped land, right-of-way needed in undeveloped land for new access to 61<sup>st</sup></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1/14/22: Sent permission to enter request letter via email for survey. Granted access 1/17/22.</li> <li>• 1/19/22 Meeting: Videoconference with project team and property owner representative to introduce project and draft recommended improvements. Follow-up email from project team member with draft recommendation graphic and I-270 contact info.</li> <li>• 1/24/22 Email: Property owner representative send land description and plat.</li> <li>• 3/9/22: Project team member sent project update email with attached Proposed Project graphic and offered meeting.</li> <li>• 5/5/22: Project team member sent email offering a meeting. Sent reminder on 5/11.</li> <li>• 5/12/22: Project team member sent email requesting any drainage study or utility plans for the two parcels they own.</li> <li>• 5/18/22: Property owner representative responded and sent a site utility plan and drainage memo.</li> </ul>



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10/31/22: Project team member sent email requesting meeting to discuss potentially locating water quality pond on the vacant property. Followed up with new email/dates and voicemail on 11/7.</li> <li>• 12/9/22 Email: Project team member sent permission to enter request letter via email for geotech borings.</li> <li>• 5/25/23 Email: Project team member sent invite to business focus group set for 6/12/23.</li> </ul>
<p>6011 Dexter Street, Commerce City, CO 80022</p>	<p>Customer egress on adjacent public street changing</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nov. &amp; Dec. 2021: Multiple attempts to reach property owner. Project team member called property owner representative multiple times in Nov. One time talked to him but he was in traffic and was going to call back. Another time he hung up as soon as he answered. Project team member texted property owner for his email. He responded and project team member emailed property owner on 12/6/21 asking for confirmation he owns the property and offering a meeting. He responded asking for a call. Project team member emailed date/time options on 12/6/21. No response.</li> <li>• 1/14/22: Project team member sent permission to enter request letter for survey via email to property owner and offered meeting again. Sent reminder 1/24/22. Property owner granted access on 2/17/22.</li> <li>• 3/9/22: Project team member sent project update email to property owner with attached Proposed Project graphic and offered meeting.</li> <li>• 5/12/22: Project team member sent email to property owner requesting any drainage study or utility plans for the property. On 5/16, property owner representative replied saying he does not have them.</li> <li>• 7/28/22: Project team member sent email to property owner asking how pond currently functions. Property owner replied on 8/1 stating that although he owns the property, he is in CA and not familiar with the property, but the former business tenant is subleasing to the current business tenant, so they may be of assistance.</li> <li>• 10/31/22: Project team member sent email to property owner requesting meeting to discuss potentially locating water quality pond on the vacant property. Followed up with new email/dates and voicemail on 11/7.</li> <li>• 12/9/22 Email: Project team member sent permission to enter request letter to property owner via email for geotech borings.</li> <li>• 1/23/23 Call: Project team member left message on property owner's voicemail asking to discuss the need for a water quality pond on his property.</li> <li>• 5/3/23 Email: Project team member noted water quality and detention pond may be needed on the property and requested permission to enter for geotech work. On 5/5/23 owner responded requesting a meeting and project team member sent potential meeting dates.</li> </ul>



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5/10/23 Email: Project team member sent graphic of proposed pond location and offered additional meeting times.</li> <li>• 5/25/23 Email: Project team member sent invite to business focus group set for 6/12/23.</li> <li>• 5/28/23 Email: Property owner requested a meeting on 5/31/23 and project team member responded with invitation. Property owner did not join meeting, despite call and voicemail from project team as a reminder.</li> <li>• 6/5/23 Email: Property owner sent new main contact for tenant and asked for communications to go through them.</li> </ul>
<p>4801 E 60<sup>th</sup> Ave, Commerce City, CO 80022</p>	<p>Minor right-of-way needed on north edge of property, but avoiding impact to building</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10/21/21 Meeting: On site with project team and property owner to introduce project and draft recommended improvements.</li> <li>• 11/2/21 Email: Project team member sent draft recommendation graphic and I-270 contact info to property owner.</li> <li>• 12/20/21: Property owner emailed project team member asking for update on impacts to his property.</li> <li>• 12/22/21 Call: Project team member explained to property owner the plan has been revised to curve the new road north to avoid impacting his building. He was pleased.</li> <li>• 1/14/22: Project team member sent permission to enter request letter for survey to property owner via email. Sent reminder 1/24/22. Property owner granted access on 1/24/22.</li> <li>• 3/9/22: Project team member sent project update email with attached Proposed Project graphic and offered meeting.</li> <li>• 5/5/22: Project team member sent email offering a meeting. Property owner representative responded saying he still owns the property and will meet.</li> <li>• 5/9/22 Meeting: Property owner met with project team. Owner is happy with the Proposed Project and the project team's work to minimize/eliminate impacts to his property. He explained drainage issues along the west side of Clermont.</li> <li>• 5/25/23 Email: Project team member sent invite to business focus group set for 6/12/23. Property owner responded noting the property sold (did not respond to request for new owner contact info).</li> </ul>





<p>4545 E 60<sup>th</sup> Ave, Commerce City, CO 80022</p>	<p>Minor right-of-way needed on SW corner</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 10/19/21 Meeting: Videoconference with project team and property owner representative to introduce project and draft recommended improvements.</li><li>• 10/29/21 Email: Project team member sent draft recommendation graphic and I-270 contact info to property owner representative.</li><li>• 1/14/22: Project team member sent permission to enter request letter for survey via email to property owner representative.</li><li>• 3/9/22: Project team member sent project update email with attached Proposed Project graphic to property owner representative and offered meeting. Property owner representative responded noting acceptable design on 3/10/22.</li><li>• 5/25/23 Email: Project team member sent invite to business focus group set for 6/12/23.</li></ul>
<p>6001 Dexter Street, Commerce City, CO 80022</p>	<p>Minor right-of-way needed on SE corner, some site egress patterns may change due to Dexter Street restrictions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 10/28/21 Meeting: Videoconference with project team and property owner representative to introduce project and draft recommended improvements.</li><li>• 10/29/21 Email: Project team member sent draft recommendation graphic and I-270 contact info to property owner representative.</li><li>• 11/2/21 Email: Project team member sent CADD image file of property changes to property owner representative.</li><li>• 1/14/22: Project team member sent permission to enter request letter for survey via email to property owner. Sent reminder 1/24/22. Property owner representative granted access 2/1/22.</li><li>• 3/9/22: Project team member sent project update email to property owner representative with attached Proposed Project graphic and offered meeting.</li><li>• 5/5/22: Project team member sent email to property owner representative offering a meeting.</li><li>• 5/25/23 Email: Project team member sent invite to business focus group set for 6/12/23.</li></ul>



<p>6245 Clermont Street, Commerce City, CO 80022</p>	<p>Minor right-of-way needed along eastern edge and SE corner of property</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Nov. and Dec. 2021: Multiple unsuccessful attempts to reach property owner through conversations with tenant and former owner. No response to letters mailed to multiple addresses, including one provided by CDOT from Sec. of State database.</li><li>• 1/22/22: Project team member spoke with business tenant who explained they are the only tenant on the property and moving out today. He provided property owner email (which he had previously not been allowed to share). Project team member sent email to property owner requesting meeting and informing him of potential impact to the property.</li><li>• 1/25/22: Property owner replied to project team member confirming he is the contact. Project team member replied on 1/26/22 with days/times for a meeting.</li><li>• 2/3/22 Meeting: Videoconference with project team to introduce project and draft recommended improvements.</li><li>• 2/8/22: Project team member sent permission to enter request letter for survey via email to property owner. Access granted 2/9/22.</li><li>• 2/15/22: Project team member sent email with graphic used during 2/3 mtg and I-270 contact info.</li><li>• 3/16/22: Project team member sent project update email to property owner with attached Proposed Project graphic and offered meeting.</li><li>• 4/1/22 Meeting: Videoconference between project team members and property owner to present latest project design. Notified owner of existing right-of-way being 13.5 feet inside their current eastern fence line, which they were not aware of. They requested the city allow them to reset the eastern fence only to meet project needs, not on current right-of-way line. Informed owner of coordination with city and their willingness to likely approve a six-foot reduction in setback for south fence. Owner requested a greater reduction in setback.</li><li>• 4/14/22 Email: Project team member sent property owner the deed and boundary survey information as follow-up to the 4/1 meeting.</li><li>• 5/25/23 Email: Project team member sent invite to business focus group set for 6/12/23.</li></ul>
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Cell Tower	Full acquisition and reconstruction of new tower	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 12/6/21: Project team member called and left message with tower owner informing of likely impact and offering meeting but no response.</li><li>• 1/21/22: Project team member called and left message with tower owner offering meeting again.</li><li>• 1/24/22 Phone Call: Project team member introduced project to tower owner representative and discussed impacts and process to coordinate the relocation. Project team member followed up on 1/25/22 via email with the draft recommended improvements graphic. Tower owner representative will forward to other staff to continue the process.</li><li>• 3/9/22: Project team member sent project update email to tower owner with attached Proposed Project graphic and offered meeting.</li><li>• 3/30/22 Call: Tower owner representative provided handoff to a new owner representative. Project team member and new tower owner representative spoke. Project team will share subsurface utility survey data in this area if possible and ask city what set back they will require. This will allow determination of placement of tower, combined with adjacent property owner preferred driveway location on 61<sup>st</sup>.</li><li>• 6/7/22: Another owner representative wrote project team member to note she has coordinated with tower owner representative and she will be handling the right-of-way process. Project team member replied and sent the latest Proposed Project graphic.</li><li>• 4/6/23 Email: Project team member asked for cell tower relocation timing.</li><li>• 4/17/23 Email: Another owner representative noted new contacts and lease information.</li><li>• 4/24/23 Email: Project team member informed owner representatives of project timing and owner representative noted tower main remain in place until close to construction.</li><li>• 5/25/23 Email: Project team member sent invite to business focus group set for 6/12/23.</li><li>• 6/29/23 Email: Owner representative asked for timing update and is coordinating alternate tower locations.</li></ul>
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Southwest Quadrant		
<p>4404 E 60<sup>th</sup> Ave, Commerce City, CO 80022</p>	<p>Possible minor impact to NE corner</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 12/8/21 Meeting: Videoconference with project team and property owner representative to introduce project and draft recommended improvements. Project team member followed up with an email to property owner representative containing draft recommendation graphic and I-270 contact info.</li> <li>• 1/17/22: Project team member sent permission to enter request letter for survey via email to property owner representative. Access granted 1/17/22.</li> <li>• 3/9/22: Project team member sent project update email to property owner representative with attached Proposed Project graphic and offered meeting. Property owner representative and tenant responded asking if new south access road will connect to Vasquez. On 3/15 project team member replied that it will not.</li> <li>• 5/25/23 Email: Project team member sent invite to business focus group set for 6/12/23.</li> </ul>
<p>4500 E 60<sup>th</sup> Ave, Commerce City, CO 80022</p>	<p>New road alignment placed on west and south sides of the property</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10/11/21 Meeting: Videoconference with project team and property owner to introduce project and draft recommended improvements.</li> <li>• 10/29/21 Email: Project team member sent draft recommendation graphic and I-270 contact info to property owner. Also sent responses to property owner's follow-up questions. Explained new road cross section, no signal at Clermont, landscaping TBD, low traffic expected, driveways allowed on the road.</li> <li>• 11/1/21 Email: Project team member responded to property owner's questions with I-270 CDOT contact and stated schedule not yet known for next meeting.</li> <li>• 11/4/21 Meeting: Property owner met I-270 and Vasquez project team members at CDOT.</li> <li>• 1/7/22 Email: Project team member responded to property owner's request for an update - informed still contacting owners and will reach out once local access road alignments are nailed down.</li> <li>• 1/17/22: Project team member sent permission to enter request letter for survey to property owner via email. Property owner granted access 1/18/22.</li> <li>• 3/9/22: Project team member sent project update email to property owner with attached Proposed Project graphic and offered meeting.</li> <li>• 4/13/22 Email: Project team member sent graphic of project design focused on property to property owner prior to the meeting.</li> </ul>



- 4/13/22 Meeting: In-person meeting at CDOT with project team members and property owner to discuss the latest design. Property owner requested minimizing the design and voiced concern that this much property acquisition would void tenant's lease and concern about proximity of the road to building in icy and snowy conditions.
- 4/14/22 Email: Property owner representative sent email granting permission to access her property for environmental survey (haz mat).
- 4/27/22 Email: Project team member sent permission to enter request letter, form, and work area exhibit for geotech to property owner. Property owner granted access on 4/28/22.
- 5/2/22 Email: Project team member wrote property owner to coordinate details of geotech drilling.
- 5/11/22 Email: Project team member told property owner utility locates will be done today and asked for permission to go to site to take photos. Property owner approved and asked the photos be shared. Project team member agreed. Project team member sent two photos on 5/18 and noted on track to drill 5/19 to soil sample and set wells, but water sampling needs to wait until 5/23 due to snow. Property owner representative agreed in 5/18 email.
- 5/11/22 Email: Project team member responded to property owner's question (sent on 5/8) asking if the curve was able to be changed to more of a T. Project team member sent the updated (dated 5/9) Proposed Project graphic showing the T and the hatched area for the roadway and associated infrastructure. Project team member also explained expected timing of posting the graphic to the web page. Property owner representative asked if the percentage impact on her property has changed. On 5/12, project team member replied saying more details are needed.
- 7/8/22 Email: Project team member requested additional access from property owner to conduct percolation tests and explained testing. Permission to enter had expired, so property owner changed the date on the previous agreement and attached it to the email; approved access with the tenant and work will proceed on 7/12.
- 7/26/22 Email: Property owner attorney emailed to say property owner hired her as legal representation and asked questions about plans for pond area. 7/27 Project team member replied welcoming her.
- 8/16/22 Email: Project team member provided update to attorney noting design work has focused on a different area of the project and requested permission to walk site to look for haz mat evidence on 8/18. Property owner replied granting permission.
- 10/30/22 Email: Property owner attorney requested a meeting. Project team member responded with potential dates.



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 11/22/23 Meeting: Videoconference to discuss latest project design and property impacts.</li> <li>• 3/23/23 Email: Project team member sent project update with latest design graphic and noted upcoming focus groups.</li> <li>• 3/29/23 Email: Property owner attorney request latest plans and property acquisition timeline.</li> <li>• 4/1/23 Email: Property owner noted formal objection to proposed alignment.</li> <li>• 4/5/23 Email: Property owner asked for timing of upcoming meetings and traded messages with project team member.</li> <li>• 4/23/23 Email: Property owner asked for project update and project team member responded.</li> <li>• 5/17/23 Email: Project team member scheduled meeting to discuss latest design.</li> <li>• 5/25/23 Email: Project team member sent invite to business focus group set for 6/12/23.</li> <li>• 5/31/23 Email: Project team member sent evidence of historic property designation, per property owner's request.</li> <li>• 5/31/23 Meeting: In-person meeting to review the latest design and discuss efforts to minimize property impacts.</li> <li>• 6/12/23 Meeting: Property owner attended business focus group videoconference.</li> </ul>
<p>4540 E 60<sup>th</sup> Ave, Commerce City, CO 80022</p>	<p>Minor impact to drainage pond area for extended right turn lane</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10/28/21 Meeting: Videoconference with project team and property owners to introduce project and draft recommended improvements.</li> <li>• 11/2/21 Email: Project team member sent draft recommendation graphic and I-270 contact info to property owner.</li> <li>• 12/22/21: Project team member called property owner to respond to question asking if they could make plans for the vacant parcel they recently bought. Explained only small impact expected from extended turn lane and new road alignment will go north-south through adjacent property and east-west alignment is still being confirmed.</li> <li>• 1/10/22 Email: Project team member sent graphic snapshot of EB 60<sup>th</sup> Ave turn lane design and anticipated property impacts to property owner, per owner request.</li> <li>• 1/17/22: Project team member sent permission to enter request letter for survey to property owner via email. Granted access 1/18/22.</li> </ul>



- 1/20/22 Email: Project team member responded to property owner representative's question to say alignment of the south access road is not yet confirmed but will likely not impact owner's properties.
- 3/9/22: Project team member sent project update email to property owner with attached Proposed Project graphic and offered meeting.
- 3/30/22 Meeting: Videoconference between project team members and property owners to present latest project design. Owners requested team assistance in coordinating with city to allow temporary parking on vacant parcel. Work continues to define pond changes and adjacent property access road alignment. Once confirmed, owners will begin rezoning process.
- 3/31/22 Email: Project team member asked property owner for any drainage reports for the ponds on the property.
- 4/12/22 Email: Property owner representative sent project team member the ALTA survey showing the retention ponds and the Phase 1 ESA.
- 4/27/22 Email: Project team member notified property owner that city stated they will not allow temporary parking or storage on their property and the owner needs to go through rezoning process. Property owner responded they are unhappy and noted they will reassess how the land will be used.
- 5/12/22 Email: Project team member sent the plat and a screenshot with the drainage easement highlighted to property owner, per their request during the 3/30 meeting.
- 7/28/22 Email: Project team member responded to property owner's request for project update. Project team member sent the latest design graphic dated 5/9/22 to property owner, which doesn't show any difference on their property since the March update. Project team member explained at this time the team believes the road is shown as far south as it would need to go.
- 2/14/23 Email: Project team member responded to property owner's request for a project update. Owner has started working with a design firm and the city to plan for their vacant lot and don't want to get too far before our design is confirmed. Project team member noted design on their property hasn't changed since last update and working to refine design to shift it north and minimize impacts.
- 5/18/23 Email: Property owner asked for project update.
- 5/25/23 Email: Project team member sent invite to business focus group set for 6/12/23.
- 5/26/23 Email: Property owner requested design update. Project team member responded noting design has not changed.



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5/31/23 Email: Project team member sent design graphic to property owner and noted configuration hasn't changed since earlier conversations.</li> <li>• 6/12/23 Meeting: Property owner attended business focus group videoconference.</li> </ul>
4850 E 60 <sup>th</sup> Ave, Commerce City, CO 80022	Minor impact to NW edge of property due to turn lane extension and reconstruction of a portion of driveway	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 11/8/21 Meeting: Videoconference with project team and property owner representative to introduce project and draft recommended improvements. Project team member sent follow-up email to property owner representative with draft recommendation graphic and I-270 contact info.</li> <li>• 1/17/22: Project team member sent permission to enter request letter for survey to property owner representative via email. Sent reminder 1/24/22.</li> <li>• 3/9/22: Project team member sent project update email to property owner representative with attached Proposed Project graphic and offered meeting.</li> <li>• 5/5/22: Project team member sent email offering a meeting to property owner representative.</li> <li>• 5/25/23 Email: Project team member sent invite to business focus group set for 6/12/23.</li> </ul>
5995 Dexter Street, Commerce City, CO 80022	Possible minor change in customer egress due to changes on adjacent public street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 11/17/21: Project team member spoke with property owner representative, who was leaving on extended vacation. Offered to meet upon owner's return.</li> <li>• 12/2/21: Project team member emailed property owner representative with date options for a meeting but no response.</li> <li>• 3/9/22: Project team member sent project update email to property owner representative with attached Proposed Project graphic and offered meeting.</li> <li>• 5/25/23 Email: Project team member sent invite to business focus group set for 6/12/23.</li> </ul>
5901 Dexter Street, Commerce City, CO 80022	Right-of-way impact of new roadway along south edge of property	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10/21/21 Meeting: On site with project team and property owner to introduce project and draft recommended improvements.</li> <li>• 10/29/21 Email: Project team member sent draft recommendation graphic and I-270 contact info to property owner.</li> <li>• 12/7/21: Project team member responded to property owner's request for an update - waiting to finish owner meetings and leadership approvals. Expect to give update week of 12/20.</li> </ul>





- 12/22/21 Email: Project team member sent update to property owner – eliminated alignment through their buildings, but still considering east-west alignment of south access road, either on their property hugging south property line or in adjacent property hugging their south property line. Need more field data and will send permission to enter request.
- 1/20/22: Project team member sent permission to enter request letter for survey to property owner via email. Granted access 1/20/22.
- 3/15/22 Email: Project team member sent project update email to property owner with attached Proposed Project graphic and offered meeting.
- 3/18/22 Email: Property owner representative replied with great concern. He will bring his attorney to a meeting and requested it be in person.
- 4/7/22 Meeting: In-person meeting with project team to present latest project design. Property owner and attorney attended. They proposed a compromise solution to push alignment to the south and expressed the need for their economic impacts to be considered equally to the historic property to the south.
- 4/12/22: Email from property owner representative emphasizing “significant negative effect” on their property, and a list of bullets with questions or action items needing reply from the 4/7 meeting.
- 4/27/22 Email: Project team member sent permission to enter request letter, form, and work area exhibit for geotech to project team.
- 4/29/22: Property owner representative sent another email asking for reply to his questions and meeting action items before he will consider granting permission to enter.
- 5/16/22: Project team member sent letter in response to 4/12 and 4/29 emails, stating it is not possible for the alignment to shift onto adjacent property, among other things. Included Proposed Project graphic dated 5/9 showing hatched area for the new road and T at the former curve.
- 5/17/22: Property owner responded to the email and thanked the team for the response.
- 7/8/22: Project team member called and emailed property owner and coordinated meeting on site for 7/11 for drilling.
- 8/8/22 Email: Property owner emailed requests and listed primary points of concern.
- 3/23/23 Email: Project team member emailed project update and notice of upcoming meetings to property owner.
- 4/1/23 Email: Property owner sent formal objection to the project alignment.



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5/18/23 Email: Project team member offered a meeting to review latest project design.</li> <li>• 5/25/23 Email: Project team member sent invite to business focus group set for 6/12/23.</li> <li>• 5/31/23 Email: Project team member sent evidence of historic property designation, per property owner’s request.</li> <li>• 6/6/23 Email: Project team member sent exhibits showing latest project design, per property owner’s request.</li> <li>• 6/7/23 Meeting: In-person meeting to present the latest design and efforts to minimize property impacts.</li> <li>• 6/20/23 Email: Property owner emailed summary of 6/7/23 meeting along with requests for design.</li> </ul>
<p>5701 Dexter Street, Commerce City, CO 80022</p>	<p>Minor right-of-way impact in NE corner</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10/27/21 Meeting: Videoconference with project team and property owner to introduce project and draft recommended improvements.</li> <li>• 11/2/21 Email: Project team member sent draft recommendation graphic and I-270 contact info to property owner.</li> <li>• 1/17/22: Project team member sent permission to enter request letter for survey to property owner via email. Granted access 1/17/22.</li> <li>• 3/9/22: Project team member sent project update email with attached Proposed Project graphic to property owner and offered meeting.</li> <li>• 3/17/22 Meeting: Videoconference to present latest project design held with project team members and property owners. Owners pleased with changed alignment out of their property and didn’t state concern with potential small corner impact.</li> <li>• 5/25/23 Email: Project team member sent invite to business focus group set for 6/12/23.</li> <li>• 6/12/23 Meeting: Property owner attended business focus group videoconference.</li> </ul>



**Northeast Quadrant**

Mile High  
Greyhound  
Park  
Development

Right-of-way impact for  
turn lane widening

- 12/9/19 Meeting: In-person meeting with project team and property owner representatives to introduce project, share background information, and discuss timing.
- 10/15/21 Meeting: Videoconference with project team and development representatives to share draft recommended improvements.
- 10/19/21 Email: Project team email to development representatives with draft recommendation graphic and I-270 contact info.
- 1/14/22: Project team sent permission to enter request letter for survey to development representatives via email. Granted access 1/21/22.
- 1/21/22 Email: Project team member responded to development representative's request for the latest design by sending the 1/19 draft preferred alternative graphic. Noted this version doesn't show the extra widening and left turn lane into the development access. Property owner representative requested CADD files but will send them when the design is further along.
- 2/23/22 Email: Project team member sent in-progress project CADD files to development representatives, who noted 62<sup>nd</sup> design looks great.
- 6/10/22 Email: Kimley Horn sent MHGP Tract B CAD files and Feb 2020 Traffic Study for the overall development to project team.
- 6/29/22 Email: Development representative responded to project team member questions as follow-up to earlier email. Discussed 63<sup>rd</sup> connection and other topics.
- 8/3/22 Email: Property owner representative sent development plan set and noted agreement with 63<sup>rd</sup>/Highway 2 frontage road intersection design. Project team member clarified plans for that intersection. Asked for timing of the hotel water quality pond.
- 5/25/23 Email: Project team member sent invite to business focus group set for 6/12/23.



<p>4850 E 62<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Commerce City, CO 80022</p>	<p>Minor right-of-way impact on NW corner for free right turn lane, potential customer egress changes, portion of two driveways on north side reconstructed</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 10/7/21 Meeting: Videoconference with project team and property owner representatives to introduce project and draft recommended improvements.</li><li>• 10/8/21 Email: Project team member sent draft recommendation graphic and I-270 contact info to property owner representative.</li><li>• 1/17/22: Project team member sent permission to enter request letter for survey to property owner representative via email. Access granted 2/1/22.</li><li>• 3/9/22: Project team member sent project update email to property owner with attached Proposed Project graphic and offered meeting.</li><li>• 3/9/22: Property owner representative sent truck turning templates for first driveway on 62<sup>nd</sup> to Project team member, noting the driveway may need modified.</li><li>• 3/16/22 Project team member replied asking which design vehicle was used. 3/30/22 Property owner representative confirmed WB 67's.</li><li>• 4/7/22 Meeting: Videoconference with project team members and property owner representative to present latest project design. Owners concerned first access will not accommodate trucks. Agreement to adjust design and send CAD files once a workable solution is found.</li><li>• 5/12/22: Project team member sent email to property owner representative asking where fuel center is planned. Property owner representative replied with location.</li><li>• 5/25/23 Email: Project team member sent invite to business focus group set for 6/12/23.</li><li>• 6/12/23 Meeting: Property owner attended business focus group videoconference.</li></ul>
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<p>6075 Parkway Drive, Commerce City, CO 80022</p>	<p>Customer egress pattern change, minor right-of-way impact for western edge of property in tree lawn</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 11/4/21 Meeting: Videoconference with project team and property owner representative to introduce project and draft recommended improvements.</li> <li>• 11/8/21 Email: Project team member sent draft recommendation graphic and I-270 contact info to property owner representative.</li> <li>• 11/16/21 Email: Property owner and leasing broker informed project team member they believe right turn only off Parkway will bring irreparable harm to shopping center and they don't support that part of the plan.</li> <li>• 1/17/22: Project team member sent permission to enter request letter for survey to property owner representative via email.</li> <li>• 1/20/22 Email: Project team member responded to property owner representative's question and confirmed CDOT plans to move forward with eliminating left turn from SB Parkway to Vasquez, but design needs to go through EA before approved. Also informed that CDOT Traffic is reviewing the design of the NB right turn lane on Vasquez at 60<sup>th</sup> (change owner had suggested).</li> <li>• 5/6/22 Email: Project team member sent project update email to property owner representative with Proposed Project graphic and offered a meeting. On 5/9, property owner representative responded saying property owner would like to discuss the plan. Owner is highly concerned about traffic accidents in the parking lots of their site and adjacent property. Project team representative sent meeting time options to property owner representative on 5/12/22.</li> <li>• 5/25/23 Email: Project team member sent invite to business focus group set for 6/12/23.</li> <li>• 6/12/23 Meeting: Property owner attended business focus group videoconference.</li> </ul>
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**Others**

- Additional Properties along Parkway – Project team mailed hard copy letters with Proposed Project graphic on 5/6/22 offering small group meeting. Emailed a copy of the letter and graphic to one property with a known email address. Project team member also sent an email follow-up to that property. No responses were received from property owners so the meeting was not held. 5/25/23 Email: Project team member sent invite to business focus group set for 6/12/23.

**Attachment B.**  
**Resource**  
**Agency**  
**Coordination**





April 5, 2022

AGENCY REP  
AGENCY  
EMAIL

**Subject: Invitation to Resource Agency Scoping Meeting for the Vasquez Blvd, 1-270 to 64<sup>th</sup> NEPA Project**

Dear AGENCY REP:

The Federal Highway Administration, as lead federal agency, and the Colorado Department of Transportation (COOT), as the project sponsoring agency, are initiating the environmental process for proposed improvements to Vasquez Boulevard at the intersections of 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 62<sup>nd</sup> Avenue and other nearby associated improvements in Commerce City, Colorado (see attachment). Your agency is invited to attend a resource agency scoping meeting to provide feedback on area conditions and regulatory concerns. The purpose of the Vasquez Boulevard, 1-270 to 64th Avenue project is to improve vehicular and multimodal safety, optimize operations, and improve multimodal connectivity along the Vasquez Boulevard corridor from approximately 58th Avenue to 64th Avenue.

The components included in the Proposed Project are the result of alternatives screening considering alternatives developed during the Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study for Vasquez Boulevard completed in 2018, as well as extensive public and stakeholder engagement and additional alternatives considered during the current project phase.

COOT is leading this project and has retained David Evans and Associates, Inc. to prepare a National Environmental Policy Act document and design plans for the Proposed Project. We have initially consulted with some resource agencies as part of the project, but this meeting serves as the official agency scoping meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to introduce or re-introduce your agency to the project, review the project's purpose and need, review the project schedule, and obtain agency comment on any important environmental or regulatory issues. This resource agency scoping videoconference is scheduled for **April 11, 2022** from **9 - 10 a.m.**

Your agency's involvement is valuable as we proceed through the environmental process. You will receive a calendar appointment from Leah Langerman, Public and Stakeholder Engagement Coordinator with David Evans and Associates. Please respond by accepting or declining the appointment. Please send a representative if you are unable to attend and/or forward this invitation to the appropriate individual if you feel you are not the correct recipient. If your agency is unable to participate, please let us know if you would like materials or a briefing provided separately through an email to [dot\\_vasquez\\_i270to64@state.co.us](mailto:dot_vasquez_i270to64@state.co.us). I look forward to your participation, and thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Matt Fink, PE  
Project Manager for CDOT's Vasquez Boulevard, 1-270 to 64<sup>th</sup> Avenue Project

Cc: Chris Horn (FHWA), Basil Ryer, Ryan Sorensen (COOT), Velvet Kuesel, Kara Swanson, Leah Langerman (DEA)  
Attachment: Proposed Project graphic

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**From:** Koonce, Ellison A CIV USARMY CENWO (USA) <Ellison.A.Koonce@usace.army.mil>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 5, 2022 1:54 PM  
**To:** Leah Langerman  
**Cc:** Eilers, Aaron R CIV USARMY CENWO (USA)  
**Subject:** RE: 22922 Vasquez: Resource Agency Scoping

Ms. Langerman,

Based on your preliminary project plan there are no known or potential aquatic resources in the project area, so a 404 permit is not needed.

Thank you,

Ellison Koonce  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

The Denver Regulatory Office is now accepting digital submittals! Effective immediately, please submit new requests in digital form to [DenverRegulatoryMailbox@usace.army.mil](mailto:DenverRegulatoryMailbox@usace.army.mil) for initial in-processing. (NOTE: Emails including attachments cannot exceed 40Mb). Further information and instructions regarding submitting requests electronically can be found at: <https://www.nwo.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory-Program/Colorado/>



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**From:** Salamack, Kristin A  
**Sent:** Monday, April 11, 2022 8:37 AM  
**To:** Leah Langerman  
**Subject:** RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: 22922 Vasquez: April 11th 9 AM Resource Agency Scoping Mtg Agenda

**Categories:** VASQ

Hello Leah,

I am unable to attend the agency scoping meeting, but I wanted to enter the following comments into the record on this project:

1. There will be no concerns from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) with this project resulting in impacts to species listed as candidate, proposed, threatened, or endangered under the Endangered Species Act because the project is located in an already developed area and there would be no species or suitable habitat present.
2. I did want to raise one issue with regard to migratory birds protected under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA). This will be an issue to raise once a construction contractor is selected which I know is a ways out since the project is only at the NEPA planning stage but I wanted to mention this while I was thinking about it - CDOT's construction contractor Kiewit had to submit an MBTA violation report on the Central 70 project because they discovered multiple birds floating in two open-topped tanks that contained drill polymer. CDOT's specs state that these tanks should be covered if and when they cannot be actively monitored by construction staff, but apparently these tanks were not covered or supervised during the early morning hours before construction activity got underway. If there is a better time later in the project planning phase before this project goes to AD in which I should provide these comments please let me know.

Thanks,

**Kristin Salamack** (she/her/hers)

**CDOT/USFWS Liaison**

Colorado Ecological Services Field Office



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Department of Transportation

Division of Transportation Development

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**From:** McKee - DNR, Jerrie <jerrie.mckee@state.co.us>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 21, 2022 6:38 PM  
**To:** Leah Langerman; Matt Martinez  
**Subject:** Fwd: 22922 Vasquez: Resource Agency Scoping 4/11/22 Mtg Notes  
**Attachments:** 2022-04-11\_22922 resource agency scoping mtg notes\_draft.docx; 2022-04-11\_22922 Resource agency scoping mtg agenda.pdf

**Categories:** VASQ

Hi Leah,

Thanks for including us on the invite and scoping notes. CPW doesnt have any concerns regarding this project.

Jerrie McKee  
District Wildlife Manager

[jerrie.mckee@state.co.us](mailto:jerrie.mckee@state.co.us) | [cpw.state.co.us](http://cpw.state.co.us)

# Attachment C. Ultimate Vision

## Ultimate Vision

As part of the stakeholder outreach process for the project, the City of Commerce City requested that CDOT develop an ultimate vision for the Vasquez/60th Avenue intersection. In conjunction with Commerce City and Adams County, CDOT developed four concepts for the intersection, as shown and described in **Figures C-1 through C-4**, and identified benefits and trade-offs for each option, which are summarized in **Table C-1**. The option that was found to be most viable was Option 3- Diamond with Slip Ramps Interchange, due to its ability to build off the recommended intersection improvements included in the current Project.

**Table C-1. Ultimate Vision Options**

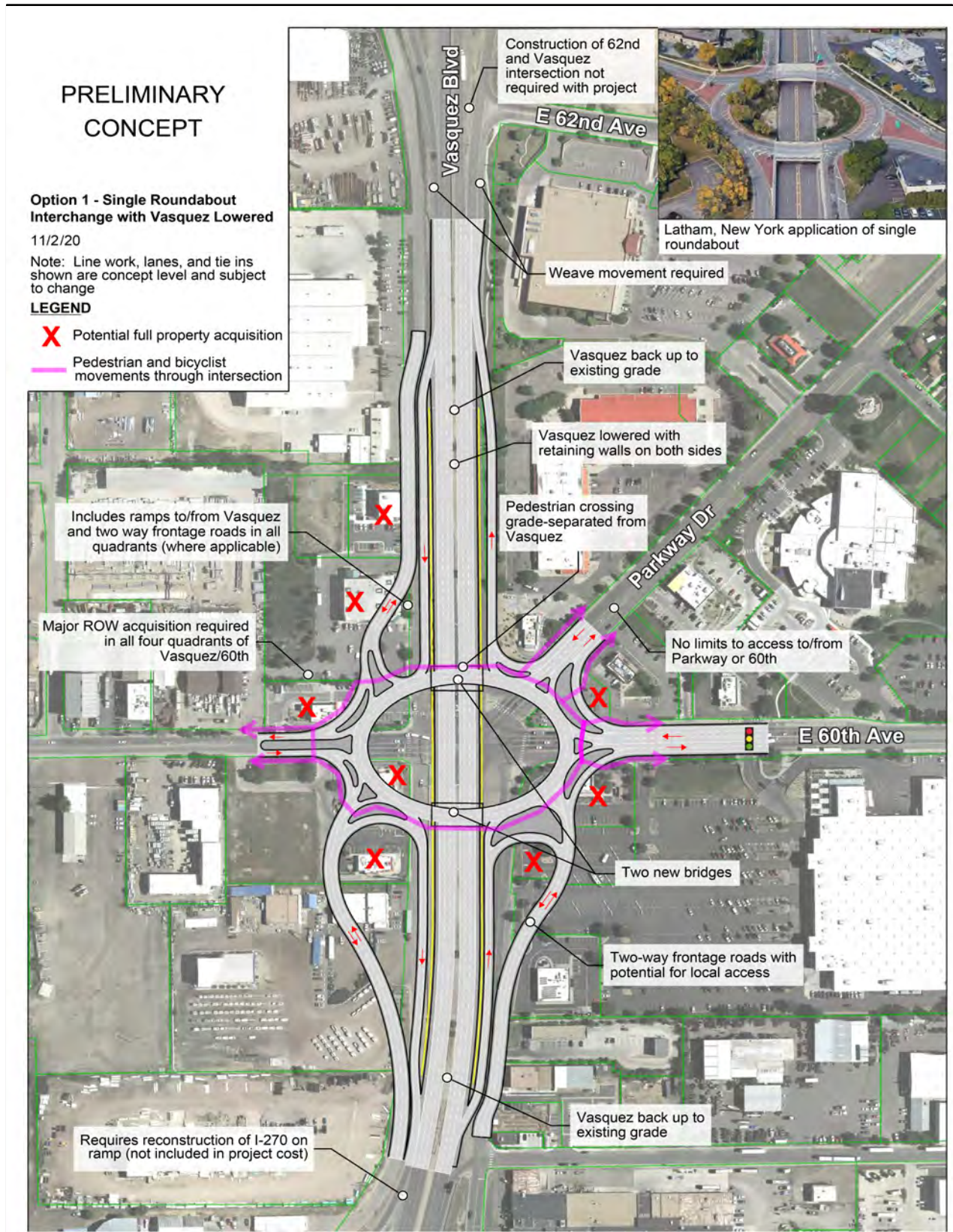
Option	Benefits	Tradeoffs
Option 1 – Single Roundabout Interchange	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All movements provided to/from Parkway Drive or 60th Avenue and full frontage road access with two way movements and potential for local driveway access</li> <li>Pedestrian and bicycle connections grade separated from Vasquez (using 60th bridge)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Major property impacts with right of way acquisition required in all four quadrants of Vasquez/60th Avenue</li> <li>Potential major utility impacts with lowering of Vasquez 62nd Intersection not required as part of this option</li> <li>Estimated cost = \$60M \$70M (2021 dollars) (includes \$18M in property costs and \$4M in utility relocations)</li> </ul>
Option 2 – Double Roundabout Interchange	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All movements provided to/from Parkway Drive or 60th Avenue and full frontage road access with two way movements and potential for local driveway access</li> <li>Pedestrian and bicycle connections grade separated from Vasquez (using 60th bridge)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Major property impacts with right of way acquisition required in all four quadrants of Vasquez/60th Avenue</li> <li>Potential major utility impacts with lowering of Vasquez</li> <li>62nd Intersection not required as part of this option</li> <li>Estimated cost = \$60M \$70M (2021 dollars) (includes \$18M in property costs and \$4M in utility relocations)</li> </ul>



Option	Benefits	Tradeoffs
<p>Option 3 – Interchange with Slip Ramps Interchange</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No access limits to/from Parkway Drive or 60th Avenue and potential for local frontage road driveway access on west side of Vasquez</li> <li>• Pedestrian and bicycle connections grade separated from Vasquez (using 60th bridge)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Additional local roadway network construction west of Vasquez required due to one way frontage roads</li> <li>• Limited access to SE frontage road (no SB access from Vasquez/60th)</li> <li>• Moderate right-of way acquisition with building impacts for new Parkway Drive connection</li> <li>• Potential major utility impacts with lowering of Vasquez</li> <li>• 62nd Intersection not required as part of this option</li> <li>• Estimated cost = \$55M \$65M (2021 dollars) (includes \$10.7M in property costs and \$4M in utility relocations)</li> </ul>
<p>Option 4 – Continuous Flow Intersection (CFI)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minor property impacts and-right of way acquisition with potential for no building impacts</li> <li>• Limited utility and underground impacts - because Vasquez remains at grade</li> <li>• Enhancement option: Grade separated pedestrian crossing of Vasquez and Parkway (additional \$6M cost)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Access to/from Parkway Drive and Vasquez/60th limited with movements to/from north provided at new Vasquez/62nd signal (required)</li> <li>• Limited access to/from frontage roads in all quadrants</li> <li>• Pedestrian and bicycle connections require 4 or more stages to cross Vasquez or to cross 60th</li> <li>• Estimated cost = \$40M \$50M (2021 dollars) (includes 62nd intersection and \$3M in property costs)</li> </ul>

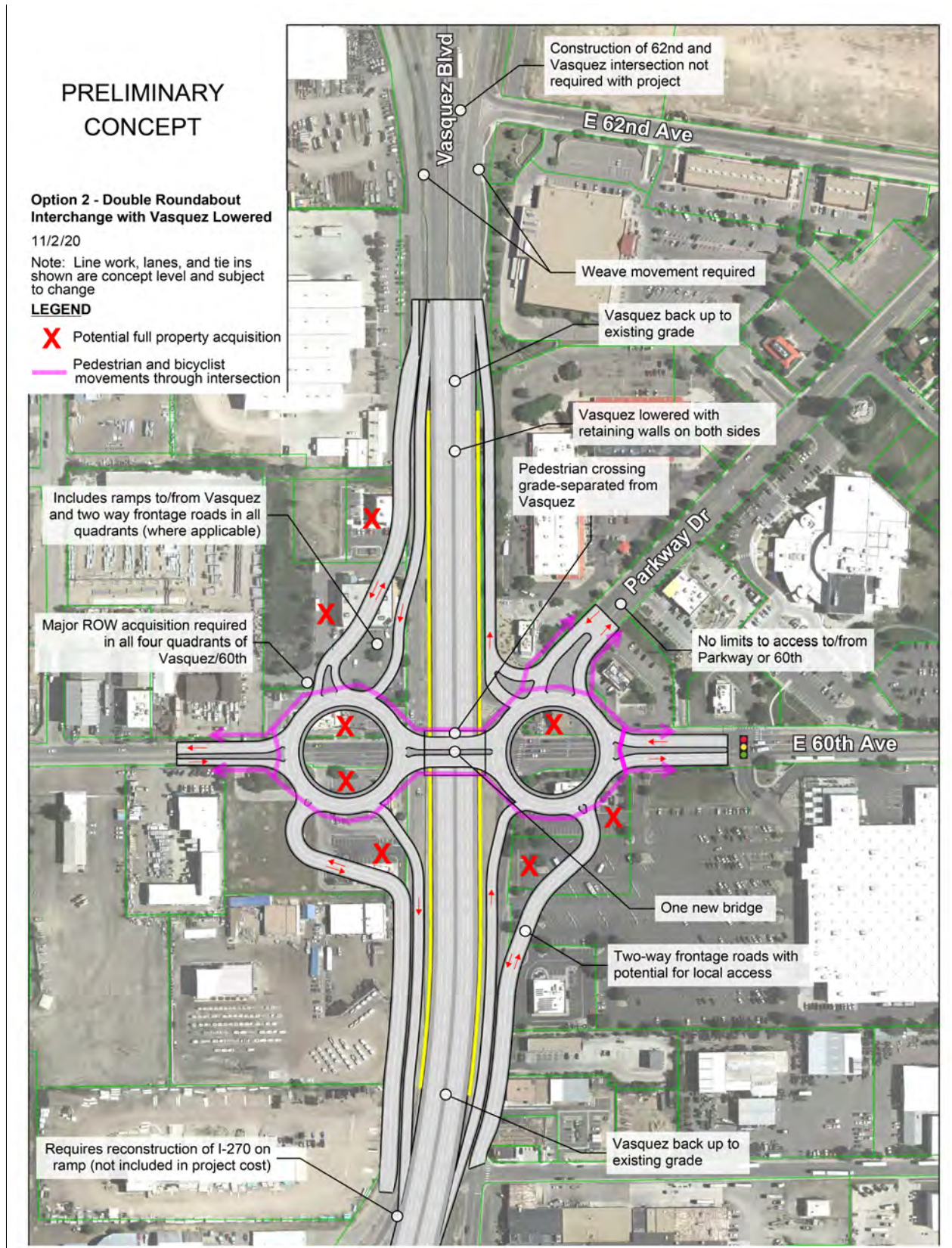


**Figure C-1. Option 1: Single Roundabout Interchange**



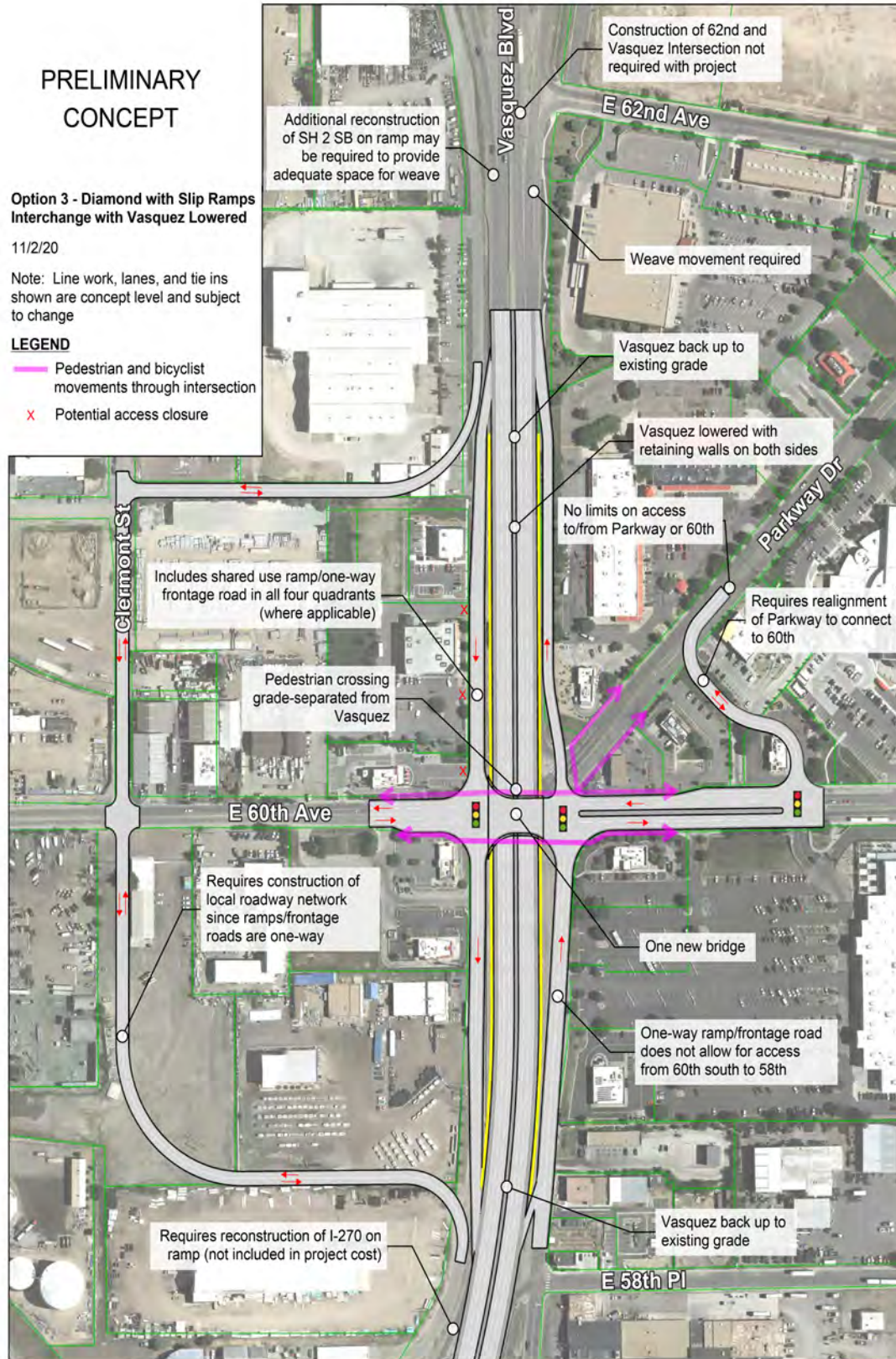


**Figure C-2. Option 2: Double Roundabout Interchange**





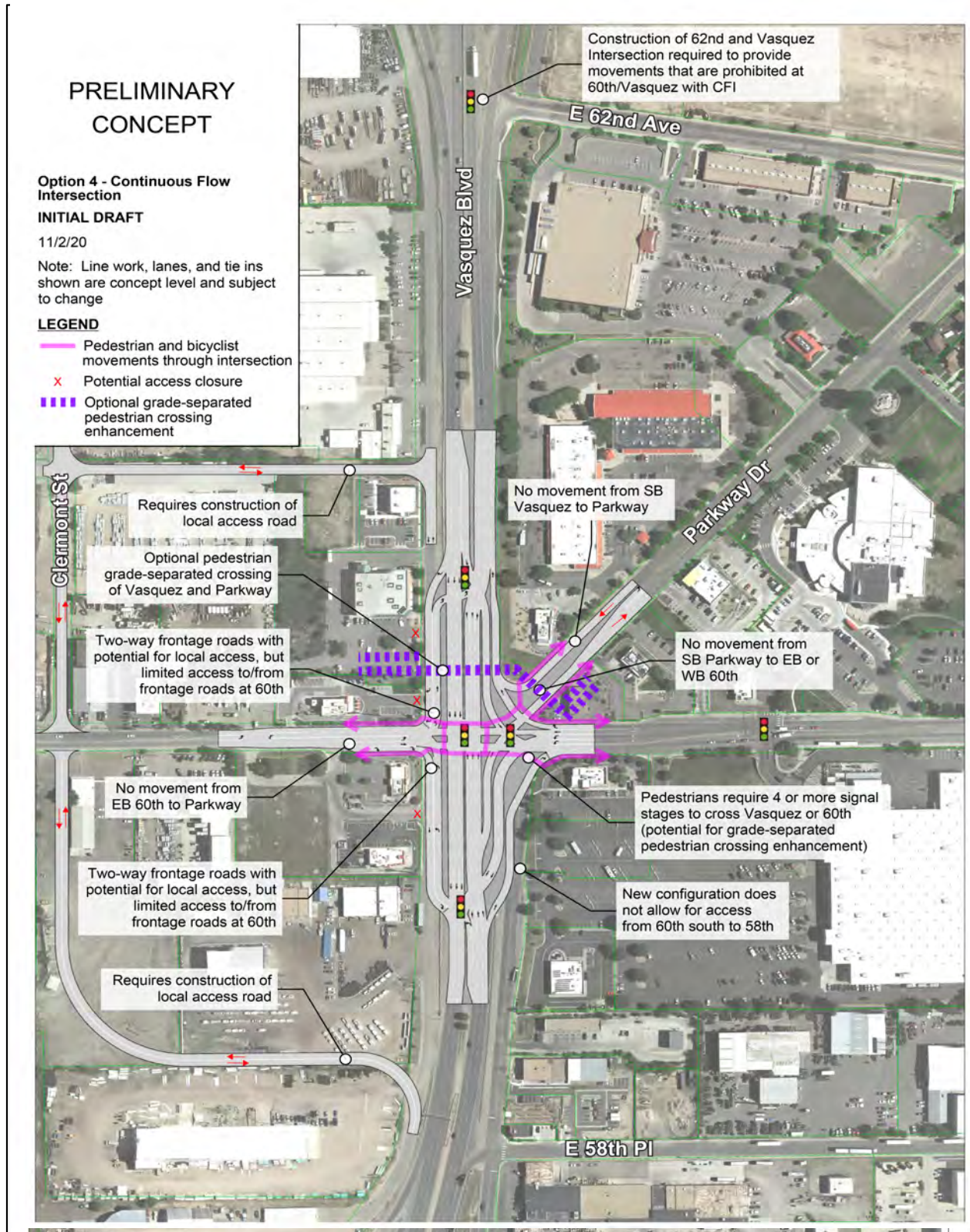
**Figure C-3. Option 3: Interchange with Slip Ramps Interchange**







**Figure C-4. Option 4: Continuous Flow Intersection**



## Ultimate Vasquez/60th Avenue Interchange With Slip Ramps

As described below, the Ultimate Vision option for the Vasquez/60th intersection was selected due to its ability to incorporate the current Project with minimal modifications while improving operations and safety in the corridor. The total conceptual cost estimate for this option is between \$55M and \$65M, in 2021 dollars. A portion of this this project cost would be encumbered as part of the current Project (e.g. new local road connections to Clermont Street on west side of Vasquez).

### Description

The Ultimate Vision option includes the elements listed below for the Vasquez/62nd Avenue intersection, as shown in **C-5**.

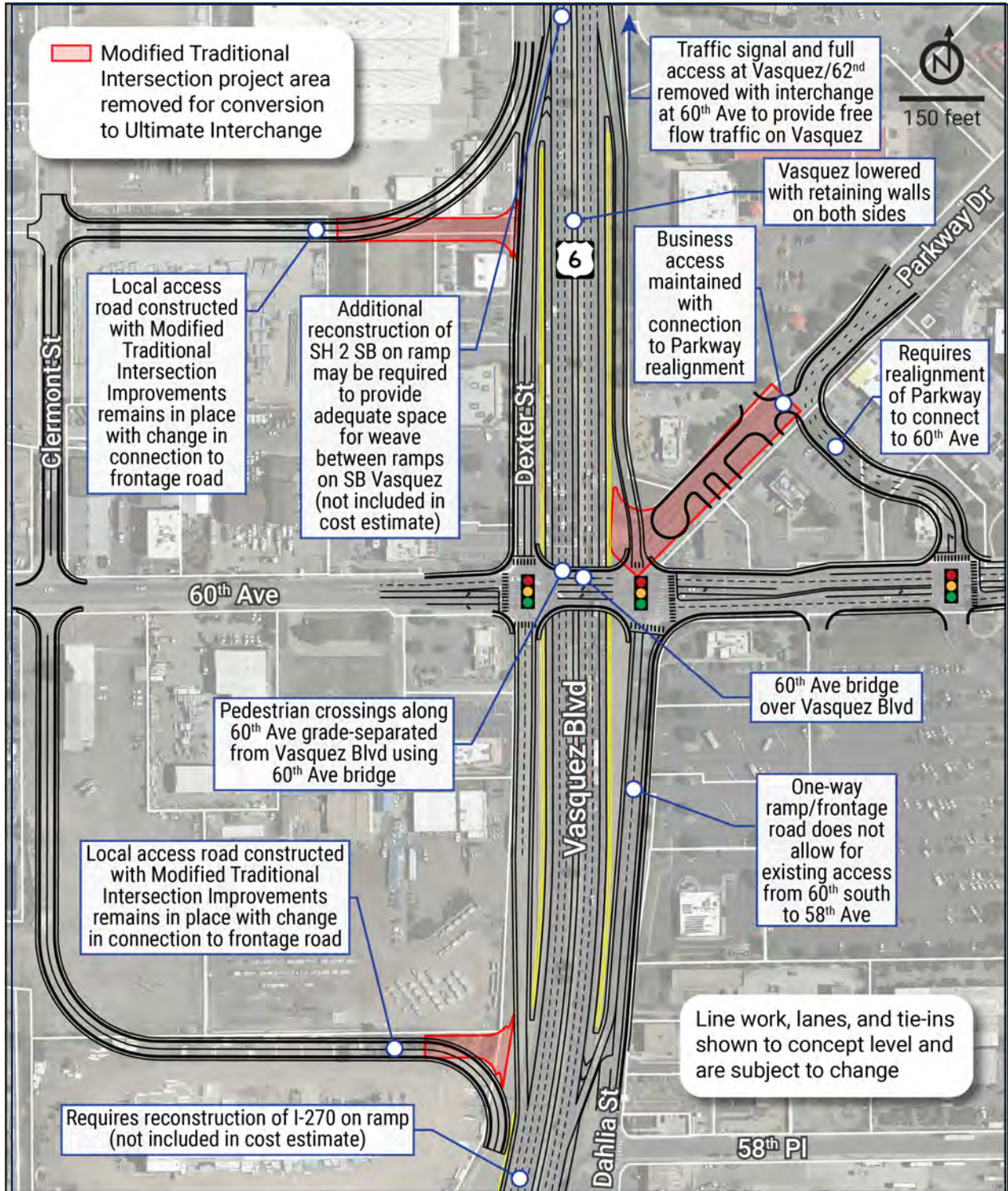
- Vasquez Boulevard lowered to pass under 60th Avenue with free flow traffic on Vasquez Boulevard and signalized intersections for the on and off ramps on 60th Avenue. Retaining walls required along Vasquez Boulevard.
- The existing frontage roads at 60th Avenue are converted to one way traffic and utilized for the interchange on and off ramps with potential for maintaining direct property access.
  - One way ramp/frontage road in southeast quadrant does not allow for existing access from 60th Avenue south to 58th Avenue.
- Parkway Drive access to/from 60th Avenue and Vasquez Boulevard provided via a new local connection between Parkway Drive and 60th Avenue at the existing Walmart traffic signal.

### Relationship to Modified Traditional Intersection Improvements

- Street improvements surrounding Vasquez/60th constructed with Modified Traditional Intersection Improvements remain in place with minor modifications with the ultimate vision for an interchange at Vasquez/60th.
- The traffic signal and full access at the Vasquez/62nd intersection would be removed with the ultimate interchange at Vasquez/60th to provide free flow traffic on Vasquez Boulevard through the area.
- New frontage road connections to Clermont Street and 60th Avenue constructed with the Modified Traditional Intersection Improvements would provide local street network that is part of the ultimate vision for an interchange at Vasquez/60th.
  - New street connections to Clermont Street would also facilitate local business access during construction of an interchange at Vasquez/60th.



**Figure C-5. Ultimate Vasquez/60th Avenue Interchange with Slip Ramps**



Attachment D.

# Commerce City Coordination



## Commerce City Coordination Meetings

In addition to other meetings mentioned within the Environmental Assessment document, the following meetings were held with Commerce City coordination staff to provide progress updates, inform the project team of city initiatives, discuss technical details, and consider public input received.

November 9, 2021  
December 21, 2021  
January 11, 2022  
February 22, 2022  
March 11, 2022  
April 29, 2022  
May 31, 2022  
August 17, 2022  
September 15, 2022  
November 10, 2022  
January 13, 2023  
February 2, 2023  
February 23, 2023  
March 16, 2023  
March 17, 2023  
April 6, 2023  
April 27, 2023  
May 18, 2023  
June 8, 2023  
July 6, 2023  
July 20, 2023

Attachment E.

# Tribal Coordination

**FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION/COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
SECTION 106 TRIBAL CONSULTATION INTEREST RESPONSE FORM**

**PROJECT:** Vasquez Boulevard I-270 to 64<sup>th</sup> Avenue Improvements Environmental Assessment, Adams County, Colorado

The \_\_\_\_\_ Tribe **is / is not** (*circle one*) interested in becoming a consulting party for the Colorado Department of Transportation project referenced above, for the purpose of complying with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and its implementing regulations (36 CFR 800). If your tribe will be a consulting party, please answer the questions below.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name and Title

**CONSULTING PARTY STATUS [36 CFR §800.2(c)(3)]**

Do you know of any specific sites or places to which your tribe attaches religious and cultural significance that may be affected by this project?

Yes    No    If yes, please explain the general nature of these places and how or why they are significant (use additional pages if necessary). Locational information is not required.

**SCOPE OF IDENTIFICATION EFFORTS [36 CFR §800.4(a)(4)]**

Do you have information you can provide us that will assist us in identifying sites or places that may be of religious or cultural significance to your tribe?

Yes    No    If yes, please explain.

**CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION [36 CFR §800.11(c)]**

Is there any information you have provided here, or may provide in the future, that you wish to remain confidential?

Yes    No    If yes, please explain.

**Please complete and return this form within 30 days via US Mail, email or fax to:**

Greg Wolff, Section 106 Native American Liaison  
Colorado Department of Transportation  
Environmental Programs Branch  
2829 W. Howard Pl., 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Denver, CO 80204  
Email: [greg.wolff@state.co.us](mailto:greg.wolff@state.co.us)  
FAX: (303) 757-9590

# Pawnee Nation

Thursday, May 18, 2023

John Martin Cater  
Division Administrator  
Colorado Division  
Federal Highway Administration  
US Department of Transportation

RE: *Vasquez Boulevard Improvements*  
*Interstate 270 to 64<sup>th</sup> Avenue*  
*Commerce City, Adams County, Colorado*

The Pawnee Nation Office of Historic Preservation has received the information and materials requested for our Section 106 Review & Consultation. Consultation with the Pawnee Nation is required by Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (NHPA), and 36 CFR Part 800.

Given the information provided, you are hereby notified that the proposed project/s is within ¼ mile of a documented Pawnee archaeological site but should not adversely affect the cultural landscape of the Pawnee Nation.

However, be advised that additional undiscovered properties could be encountered, and they must be immediately reported to us under both the National Historic Preservation Act and the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act regulations.

This information is provided to assist you in complying with 36 CFR Part 800 for Section 106 Consultation procedures. Should you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at [jreed@pawneenation.org](mailto:jreed@pawneenation.org) or by phone at 918-762-2180 ext. 220. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



Matt Reed  
Historic Preservation Officer  
Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma

Historic Preservation Office  
Matt Reed  
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P.O. Box 470  
Pawnee, Oklahoma 74058





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April 19, 2023

12300 W. Dakota Ave., Suite #180  
Lakewood, Colorado 80228  
720-963-3000

Chairman Mark Woommavovah  
Comanche Tribal Business Committee  
Comanche Nation of Oklahoma  
P.O. Box 908  
Lawton, OK 73502

**Subject:** Solicitation for Section 106 Consultation, Vasquez Boulevard Improvements (Interstate 270 to 64<sup>th</sup> Avenue), Adams County, Colorado

Dear Chairman Woommavovah:

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Chairman Lawrence SpottedBird  
Kiowa Business Committee  
Kiowa Tribe of Oklahoma  
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Carnegie, OK 73015

**Subject:** Solicitation for Section 106 Consultation, Vasquez Boulevard Improvements (Interstate 270 to 64<sup>th</sup> Avenue), Adams County, Colorado

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President Kevin Killer  
Oglala Lakota Tribal Council  
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Pine Ridge, SD 57770

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**Subject:** Solicitation for Section 106 Consultation, Vasquez Boulevard Improvements (Interstate 270 to 64<sup>th</sup> Avenue), Adams County, Colorado

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