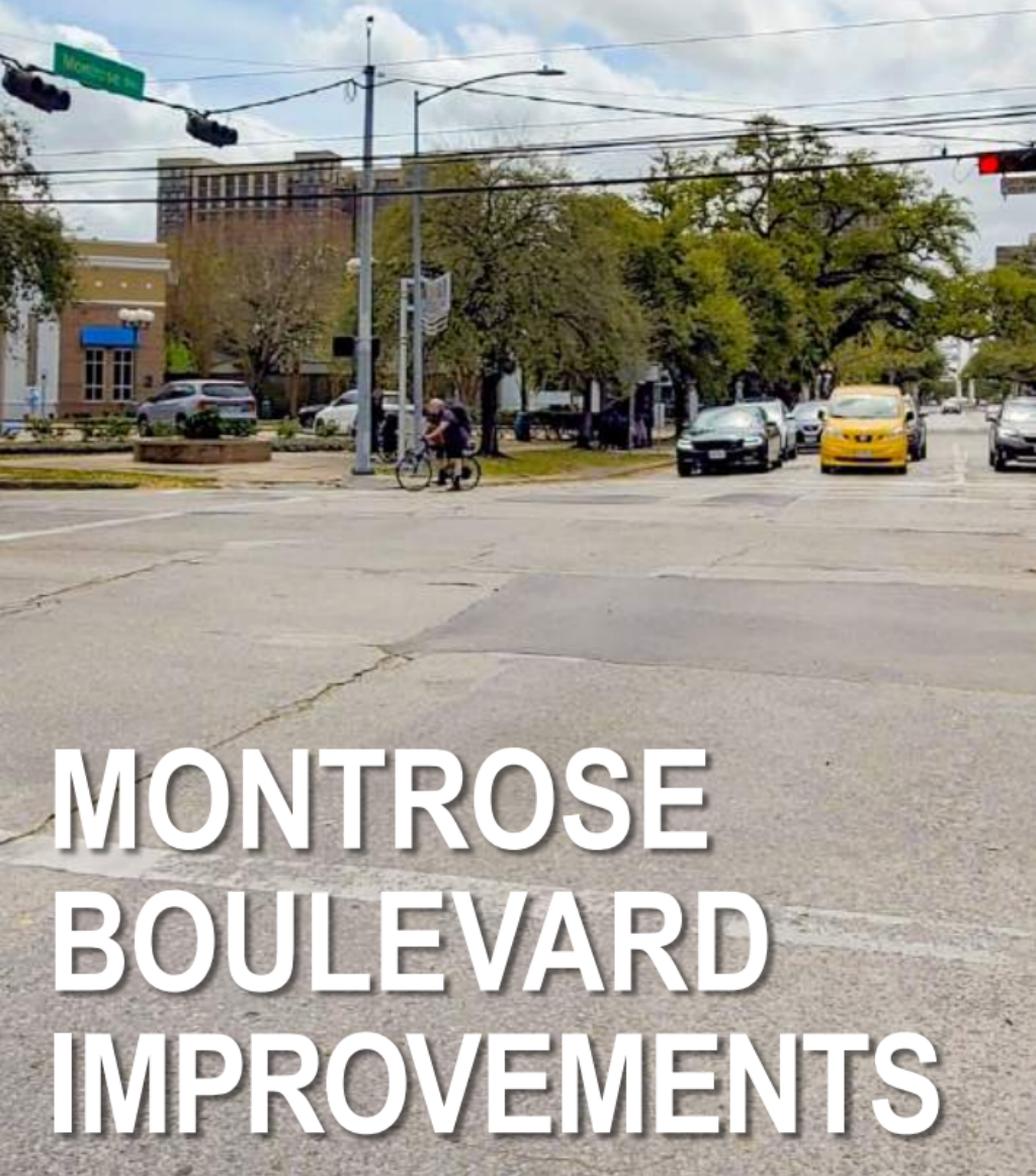




MONTROSE

TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE 27



MONTROSE BOULEVARD IMPROVEMENTS

**Signature Urban
Corridor For a Growing
Montrose Neighborhood**



PROJECT HISTORY

The Walk and Bike Montrose Plan, conducted by TIRZ 27 in 2020, classifies the corridor as a Walking Priority Street between Richmond Avenue and West Clay Street and recommends dedicated off-street bicycle facilities at the tail ends of the project extents, north of West Clay Street and south of Richmond Avenue to provide regional connections. Montrose Boulevard was classified as a Walking Priority Street to balance the right-of-way constraints with many needs of the corridor. The vision developed includes a wide, comfortable walking experience to support local businesses and compliment transit service, while also maintaining mature oak trees.

METRO's 56 Airline/Montrose BOOST Corridor Plan, conducted shortly after voters' approval of the METRONext transit referendum, also prioritizes walking and transit on the corridor. The plan recommends wide, accessible sidewalks with many safe pedestrian crossings and spacious and enhanced bus stops to provide existing and prospective riders with a better walk, a better stop, and a better ride along the 56 Airline/Montrose route.

The Montrose Livable Centers Plan, conducted by the TIRZ and Houston-Galveston Area Council in 2021, envisions a multimodal greenway linking Hermann Park and Buffalo Bayou that features sidewalks, dedicated bike facilities, streetscape amenities, and mature trees.

FAST FACTS

Project Name: Montrose Boulevard Improvements
Project Location: City of Houston, Harris County
Project Limits: Allen Parkway to W Clay Street
Estimated Construction Cost: \$14M



PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Montrose Boulevard is a vital transportation corridor through the Montrose neighborhood providing a continuous connection through the area from US-59 to Allen Parkway. Several planning efforts conducted in recent years have envisioned the street as a signature urban corridor through the heart of Montrose, linking many regional parks, trails, and destinations including Hermann Park and Buffalo Bayou. The street reconstruction project presents an opportunity to achieve this vision and build a street that answers to the needs and aspirations of the community.

THIS PROJECT WILL:

- Improve Roadway mobility and safety for all users
- Promote a pedestrian-friendly environment
- Reduce area flooding with large, underground storm boxes
- Reconstruct pavement, driveways, medians, and sidewalks
- Improve intersection safety and upgrade traffic signals
- Replace aging utilities
- Provide enhanced BOOST level METRO bus stops
- Replace streetlights
- Protect healthy, well-positioned mature trees and plant new trees.
- Provide a shared use path on the east side from W Clay Street to Allen Parkway, connecting the corridor to Buffalo Bayou
- First-last mile bike connections supporting the local and regional All Ages and Abilities bike network

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Montrose TIRZ is committed to fostering an inclusive and dynamic partnership with the community. As a valued member of the community, we want to hear from you and encourage you to attend any upcoming public meetings. By engaging with us, you play a vital role in shaping the future of the Montrose Community.

On January 17, 2023 the Montrose TIRZ hosted a public meeting to receive feedback on the Montrose Boulevard Project. All comments submitted were reviewed and considered during the next steps of the project.

COMMENTS INCORPORATED INTO THE DESIGN OF THE PROJECT INCLUDE:

- Bicycle Facility:**
Incorporated as a Shared Use Path on east side
- Shaded Pedestrian Realm:**
Many trees will be planted for shade
- Pedestrian Safety at Intersections:**
Leading Pedestrian Intervals for signalized intersections.
- Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB) are not effective enough:**
Signals at intersections with closed medians are being used in lieu of the RRFBs.
- Tree Preservation:**
Many median trees will be preserved.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE

SEGMENT I: ALLEN PARKWAY TO W CLAY STREET

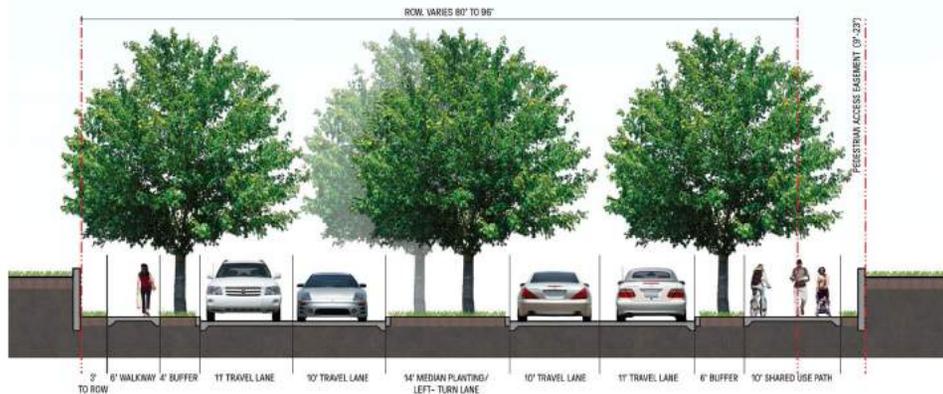


SEGMENT II: US-59 TO W CLAY ST

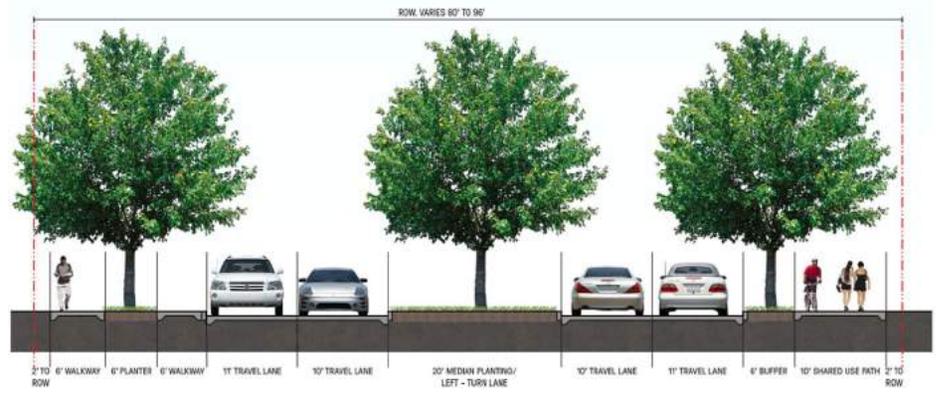


PROPOSED TYPICAL SECTIONS

ALLEN PARKWAY TO W DALLAS STREET



W CLAY STREET TO W DALLAS STREET



NEXT STEPS

- Review public comments and provide responses. (Nov. 20, 2023)
- Complete final design for Segment I, Allen Parkway to W Clay Street. (Fall 2023)
- Begin construction. (1st Quarter 2024)

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

The public is invited to participate in the project development process by attending this public meeting tonight and submitting comments.

You may submit comments in the following ways:

- Place the comment card in the Comment Box tonight.
- Send the comment card via U.S. Mail to:
3200 Southwest Fwy # 2600
Houston, TX 77027
- Comments via email to: info@montrosehtx.org

The project information will be available at www.montrosehtx.org.

All comments are due by October 18, 2023 in order to be considered in the official public meeting summary.

Documentation of the questions and response will be available online at the above web address at the end of November.