### CENTRAL CORRIDOR ADVISORY GROUP MEETING #5

### November 1, 2013, 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm Austin City Hall, Council Chambers





### Agenda

- 1) Welcome & Introductions
- 2) Public Involvement Update
- 3) Comments

- 4) Continue Step 3 Evaluation Matrix
- 5) Continue Step 3 Evaluation Data
- 6) Upcoming Activities
- 7) Citizen Communication
- 8) Next Meeting November 15, 2013





The CCAG will:

- Ensure open and transparent public process
- Advise Mayor and project team in prioritizing and defining a preferred alignment for the next high-capacity transit investment for the Central Corridor
- Assist project team in a meaningful dialogue with the community





### **Decision-Making Process**

Phase 1: Select Priority Sub-Corridor

Current Progress

						20	13				2014						
				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
				Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug
	Step 1: Kick- Off/Process	Task 1	Work Plan/Decision-Making Process														
		Task 2	Framework/History														
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E E		Task 6	Define Sub-Corridors														
Select	Task 7 Evaluate Sub-Corridors																
	Step 3: Select Priority Sub-Corridor	Task 8	Select Priority Sub-Corridor														
			Decision						*								



### The Road to the Priority Sub-Corridor

#### **CCAG Meetings**

• November 1

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- Present Data (2 of 2)
- Evaluation Process
- Public Comment
- November 15
  - Evaluation Results
  - Project Team Recommendations
  - Public Comment
- December 6
  - Public Comment
  - <u>CCAG Selection</u>

### **Board & Council Briefings**

- December 11
  - Capital Metro Board
- December 12
  - Austin City Council
- TBD
  - Lone Star Board





### **Step 2 Public Involvement (10/11 - 10/29)**

• Public Briefings

- 10/15 Austin City Council Work Session
- 10/22 Planning Commission
- 10/28 Capital Metro Board of Directors



### **Step 2 Public Meetings**

4 Public Open Houses 9/25
 - 10/2

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- 1 Online Open House 9/27
- 6 Stakeholder Briefings 10/16 -10/28
- Responses to additional webinar questions posted on-line



### Upcoming Public Workshops

November 5, 6 pm – 9 pm

- Norris Conference Center, 2525 W Anderson Ln
- November 6, 6 pm 8:30 pm
  - Faith United Methodist Church, 2701 S Lamar Blvd
  - Webinar, 12 pm 1 pm
- November 7, 12 pm 1:30 pm
  - St. David's Episcopal Church, 301 E 8th St

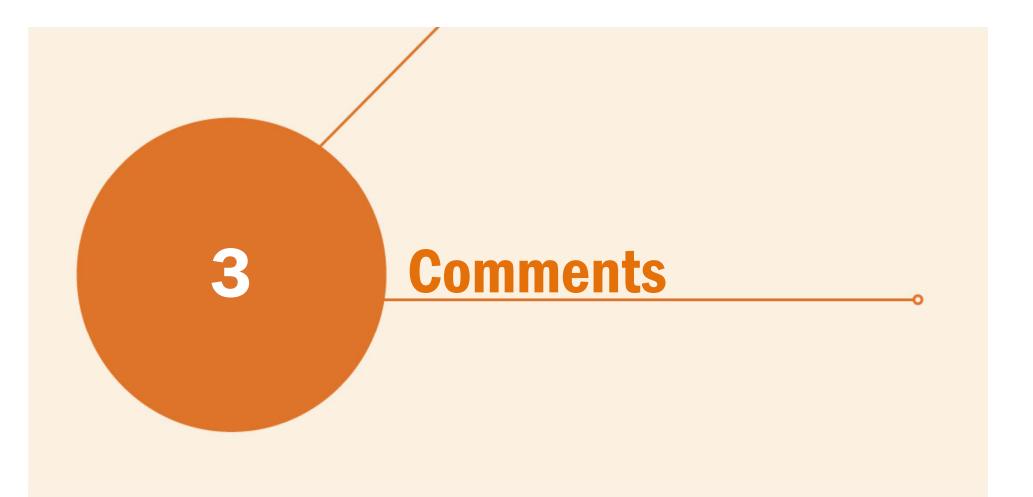


### **Step 3 Upcoming Public Engagement**

- Online Engagement Tool in development
- Televised Community Conversation in development
- Stakeholder Group Briefings
  - 10/31 Austin Urban Rail Action Data Workshop
  - 11/01 Austin Environmental Democrats
  - 11/04 West Austin Neighborhood Group
  - 11/05 Old West Austin Neighborhood Association
  - 11/07 Austin Chamber Transportation Committee
  - 11/19 UT Student Government Assembly
  - More pending







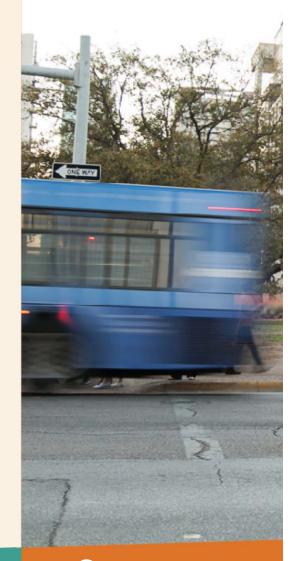


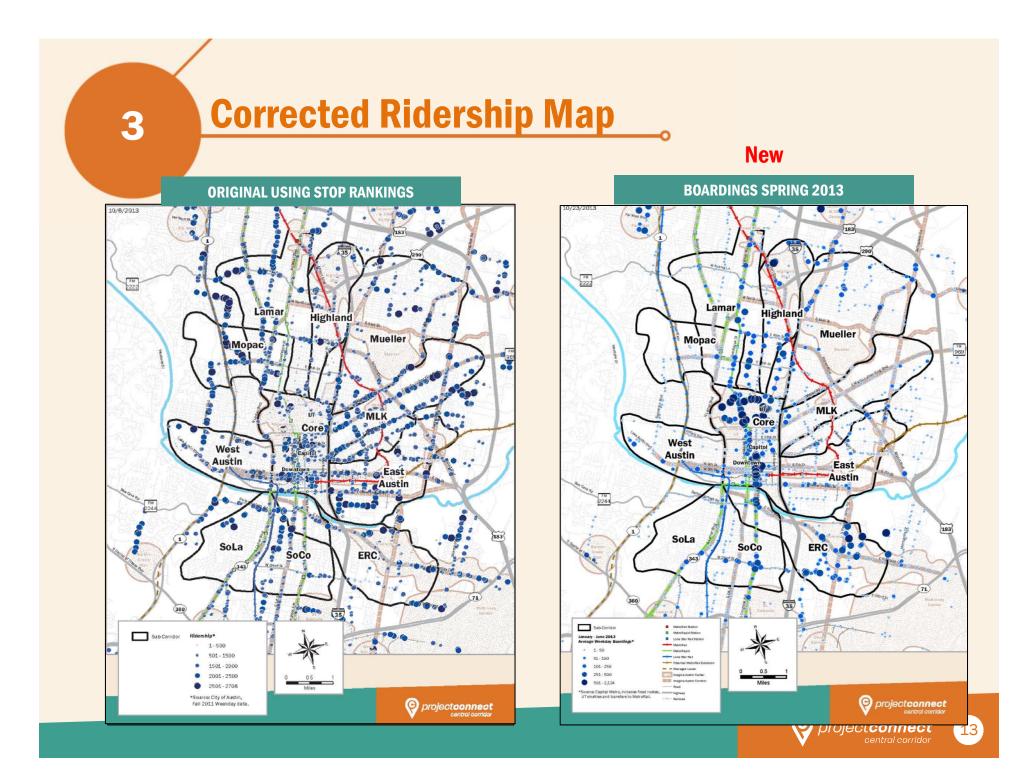


### Comments

- Comments received via:
  - Social media
  - Email

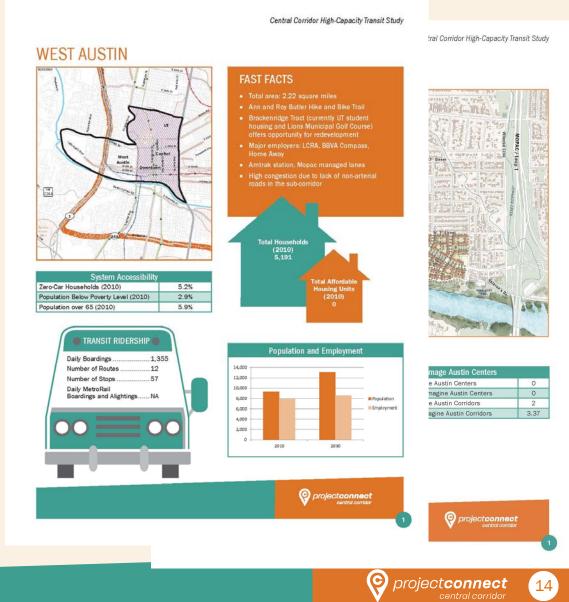
- Public meetings
- Listening log established
- Project team reviews comments as received
- Comment responses as needed





### **Sub-Corridor Summaries**

 Snapshots of pertinent information about each subcorridor





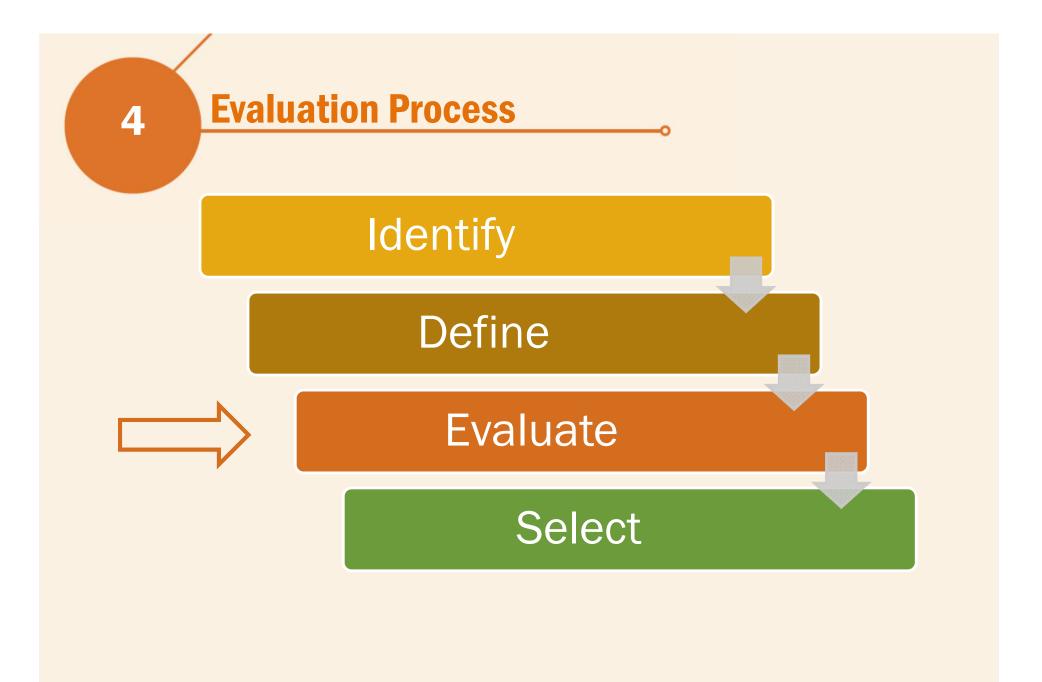
- Why include West Campus in core?
  - Dominant travel pattern from West Campus is to UT
  - Land use and zoning tied to UT
  - Imagine Austin Center that includes UT also includes nearly all of the West University Neighborhood Planning Area



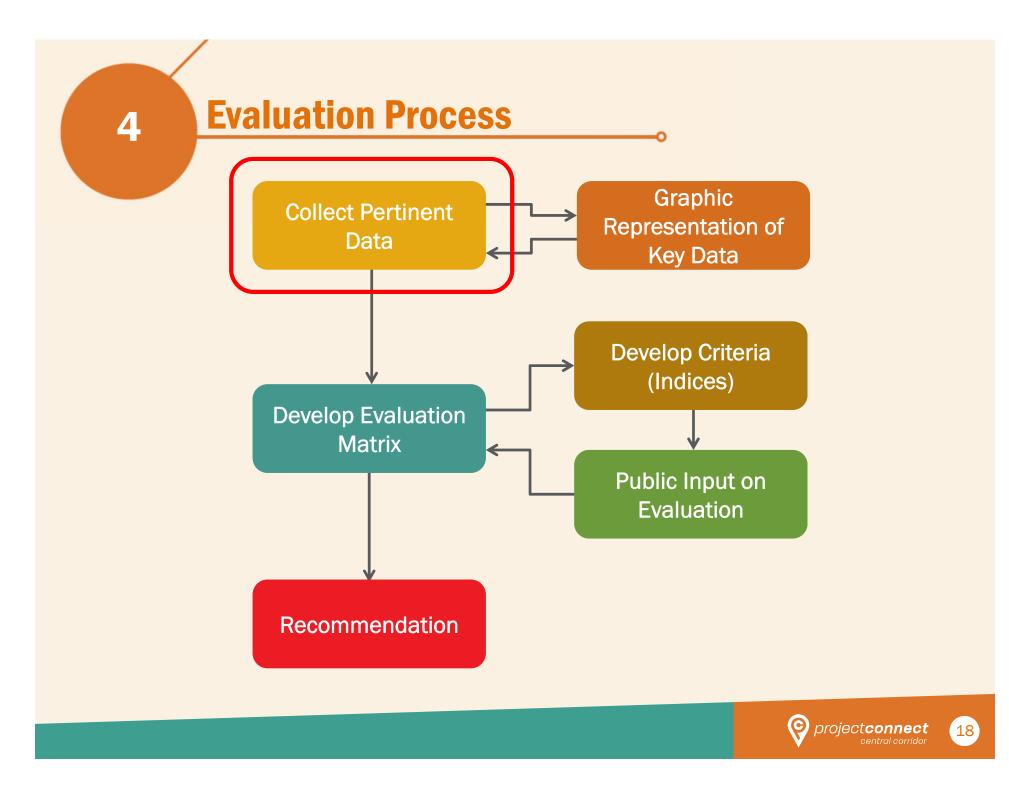
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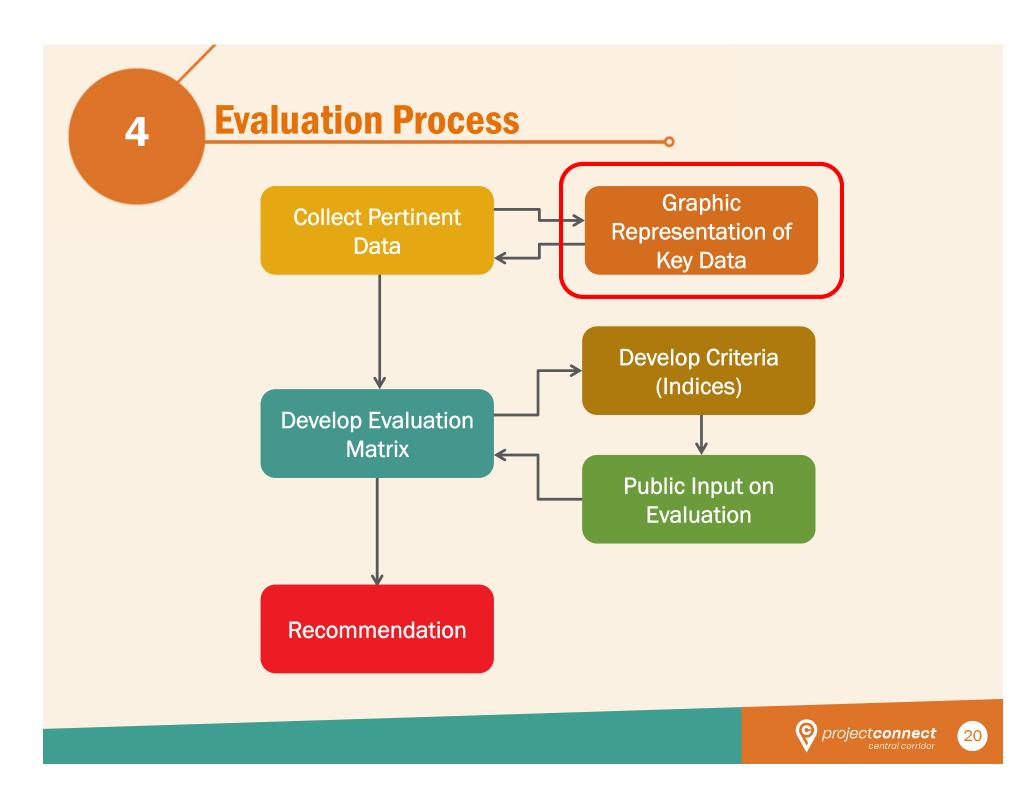




# 4 Data Collection

- On-going
- Variety of readily available sources
  - Data "focused" on addressing Central Corridor problem statements
- CAMPO Model
  - Licensed non-conforming use
  - Updated demographics





## Map Book

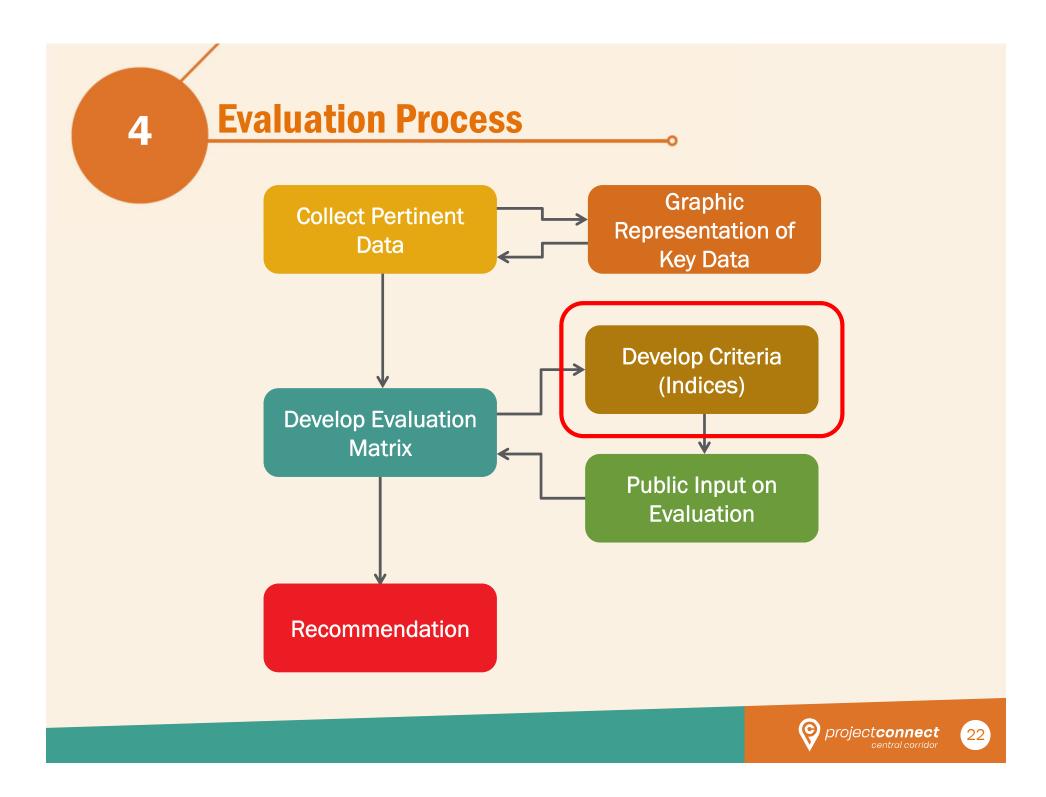
- 'Working' reference
- Used to define subcorridors
- Foundation for evaluation

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- Data table will be provided
  - Data Dictionary
  - Quality Control on-going

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### **Develop Evaluation Criteria**

- Criteria have evolved
- Started with broad categories
  - Socioeconomic
  - Transportation
  - Centers

- Social Equity
- Other
- Sought input from public at open houses



### **Develop Evaluation Criteria**

- Developed more detailed criteria
  - Reviewed at CCAG#4

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- CCAG selected "important" criteria
  - Future Congestion
  - Future Population Density
  - Future Employment Density
  - Ridership Potential
  - Imagine Austin Centers



### **Evaluation Criteria Refinement**

- Transitioned to index-based approach
  - What is an index?

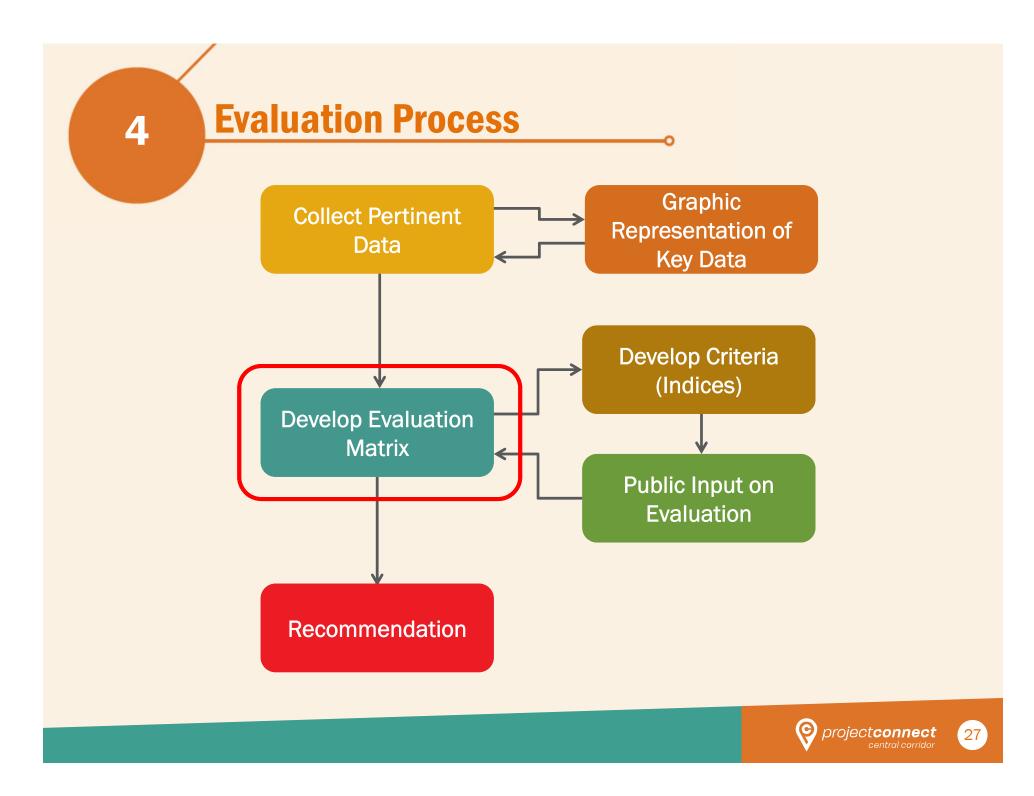
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- Combine specific data measures to create a common score
- Benefits of indices
  - Aid in evaluation
  - Allow weighting factors to be applied



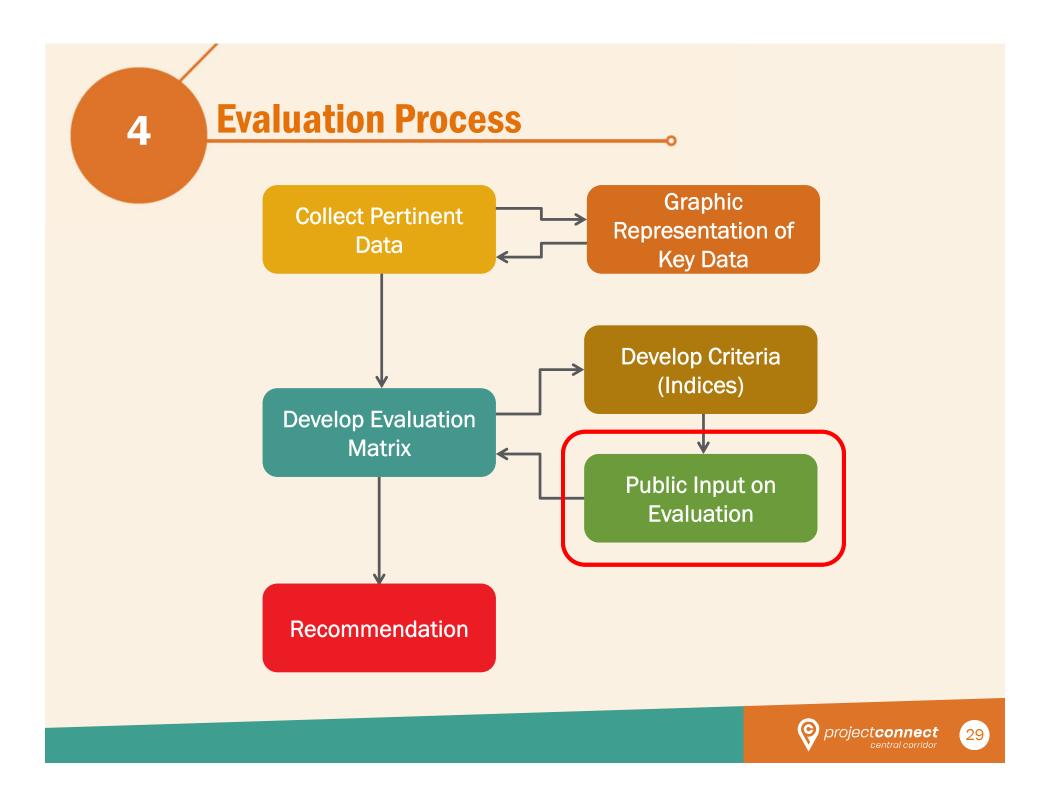
### **Evaluation Criteria Guide – SAMPLE**

PROBLEMS	CRITERIA	MEASURES
	Ridership Potential	Transit Orientation Index
		Complementary HCT Connections (number of stops)
	Connectivity Index	Competitive HCT Overlap (number of stops)
System		Bus Route-Miles per lane mile
		Pedestrian and Bike Connectivity
		Transit Orientation Index 2010
		Existing Ridership - (avg. daily boardings per square mile
	Transit Demand Index	Percent Poverty
		Percent Zero-car Households
		Percent Population Over 65
		Household Transportation Costs
	Affordability Index	Percent Poverty
		Percent Zero-car Households
		Percent Population Over 65
Core		
		Increase in Jobs (per square mile)
	Economic Development Index	Increase in Wages (per employee)
		Net Revenue (per square mile)
		Percent Area Imagine Austin Regional Centers
	Centers Index	Percent Area Imagine Austin Town Centers
	Centers index	Percent Length of Imagine Austin Corridors
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### **Draft Evaluation Matrix**

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Project Priority Evaluation Criteria	Min 2.22	Max 6.24	Austin 2.22	MOPAC 2.69	Lamar 4.56	Highland 2.68	Mueller 6.24	3.79	Aus 4.
Total Area (sq miles)	2.22	0.24	0.00	0.12	0.58	0.11	1.00	0.39	· 4.
"Parcel" Area	1.6704	4.9174	1.67	2.24	3.67	1.96	4.92	2.93	3.
(Not including transportation infrastructure, open space, waterways)			0.00		0.62	0.09	1.00	0.39	0.4
Total Network Lane Miles (2010)	25.91	147.44	52.6	56.2	95.55	99.2	147.44	85.75	84
			0.22	5	0.57	0.60	1.00	0.49	0.4
Total Network Lane Miles (2030)	25.91	148.52		7.19	95.55	99.21	148.52	85.75	84
				0.28	0.57	0.60	1.00	0.49	0.4
Congested Lane Miles (2010)	4.91	27	14	12.16	7.38	19.93	24.47	12.66	7
				0.37	0.13	0.77	1.00	0.40	0.1
Congested Lane Miles (2030)	7.	- 34	19.62	18.7	18.13	37.43	51.34	25.54	17
			0.28	0.26	0.25	0.69	1.00	0.42	0.2
% Lane Miles of Congestion (2010)	8%	27%	27%	22%	8%	20%	17%	15%	9
			1.00	0.71	0.00	0.63	0.46	0.36	0.0
% Lane Miles of Congestion (2030)	19%	44%	35%	31%	19%	38%	35%	30%	21
			0.66	0.49	0.00	0.76	0.63	0.44	0.0
Increase in % of Lane Miles of Congestion	8%	23%	8%	9%	11%	18%	18%	15%	12
			0.00	0.10	0.22	0.63	0.66	0.46	0.2
Total VMT (2010)	40201	258677	104066	117151	112037	203387	258677	133500	976
			0.29	0.35	0.33	0.75	1.00	0.43	0.
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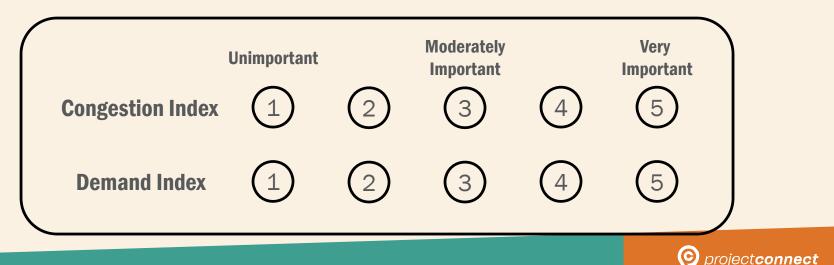


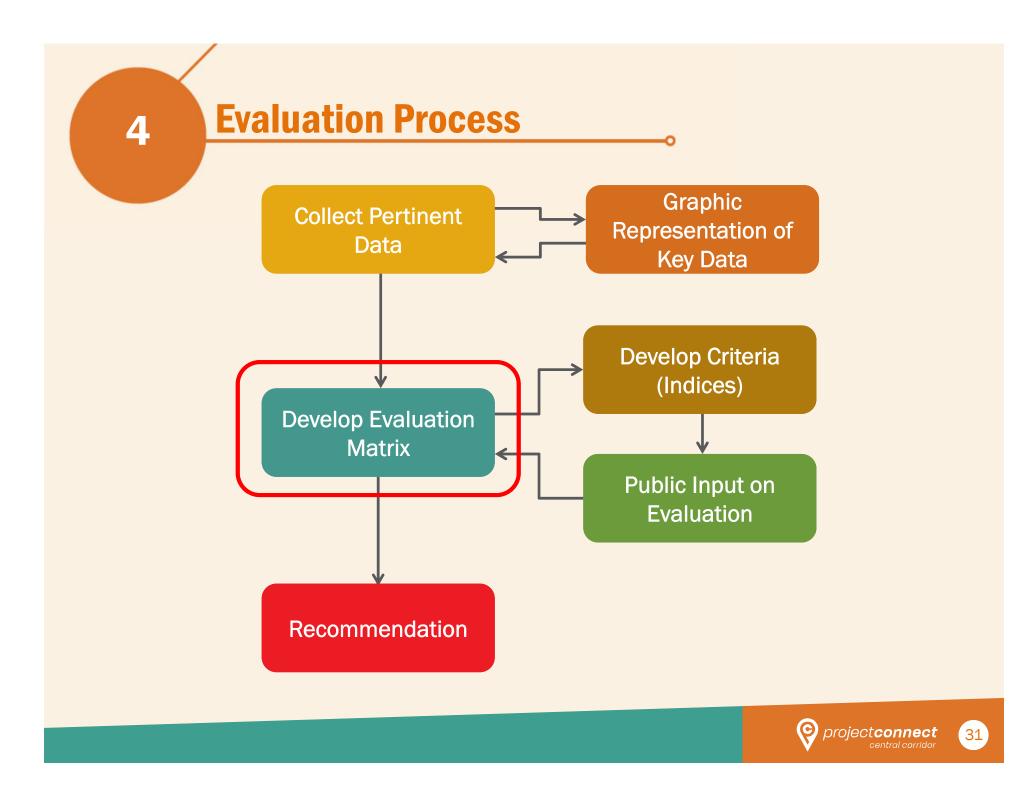
## Public Input on Final Criteria

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Problem: Excessive roadway congestion surrounding the core and lack of transportation alternatives make travel time to the Central Corridor unreliable.

- Congestion Index a measure based on the amount of congested lane miles and hours of vehicle delay
- Travel Demand Index a measure of trips to the Downtown/Capitol/UT core, trips within the sub-corridor, and volume of trips passing through the sub-corridor



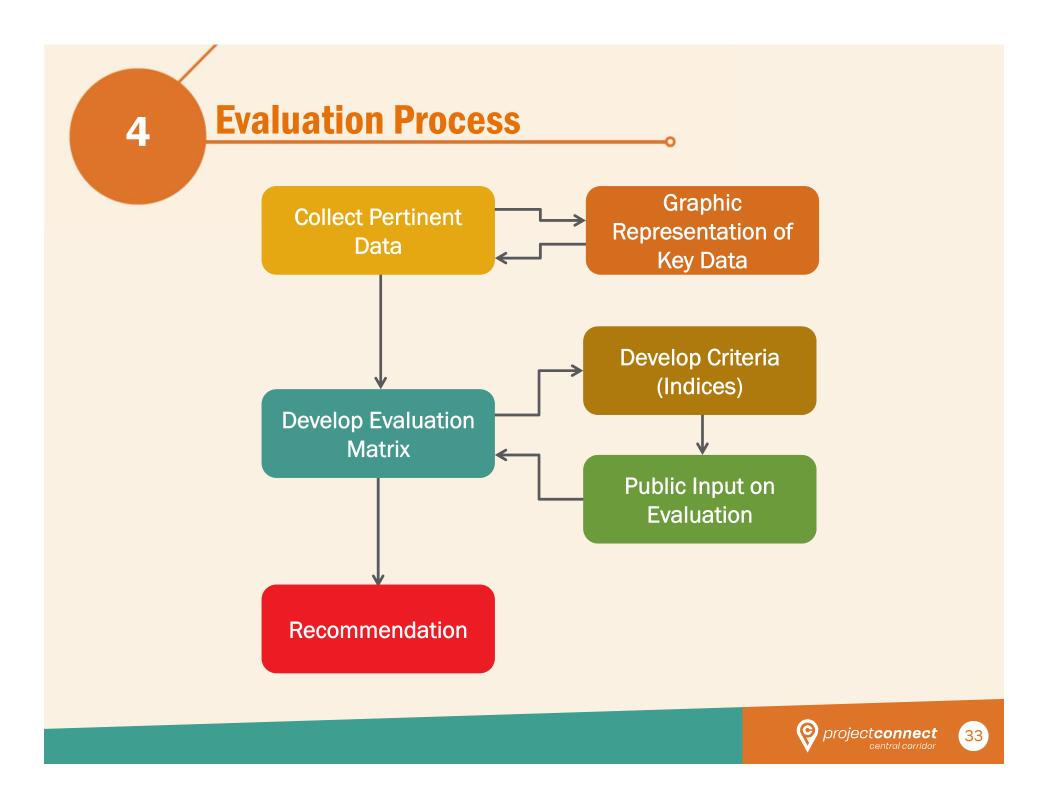


### **Evaluation Matrix**

		Sub-Corrid	or Results									
			"A"	"B"	"C"	"D"	"E"	"F"	"G"	"H"	"l"	"J"
		Rank	6	8	5	1	4	9	3	2	7	10
		Score	0.44	0.35	0.46	0.64	0.48	0.34	0.49	0.61	0.37	0.24
		Importance Rating (C	hoose 1 per	Index)								
			Highly Disagr				lighly Agree					
		Congestion	0.19	0.12	0.10	0.23	0.15	0.08	0.11	0.20	0.14	0.:
		Reliability					X					
			0.36	0.29	0.07	0.36	.33	0.24	0.16	0.37	0.10	0.
	Congestion Index				x							
		Travel Demand Index	0.23	0.08	0.25		0.14	0.00	0.19	0.28	0.34	0.
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		Constraints &	0.07	0.03	0.10	7	0.09	0.07	0.09	0.09	0.05	0.
		Growth		x								
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	Criteria	Affordability Index				x						
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	Ĕ	Economic Development					x					
		Index										
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**Problem Statement** 

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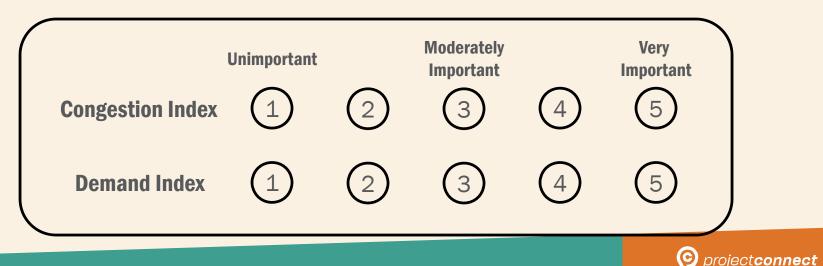
 Rate each of the following criteria (indices) for each Central Corridor problem in terms of their importance.





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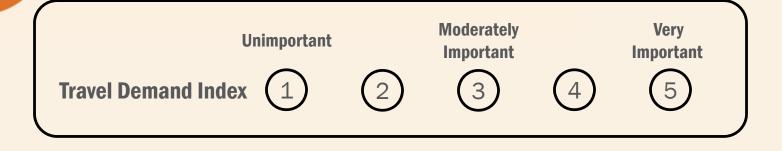


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#### Travel Demand Index



#### Travel Demand Index – a measure of trips to the Downtown/Capitol/UT core, trips within the sub-corridor, and volume of trips passing through the sub-corridor

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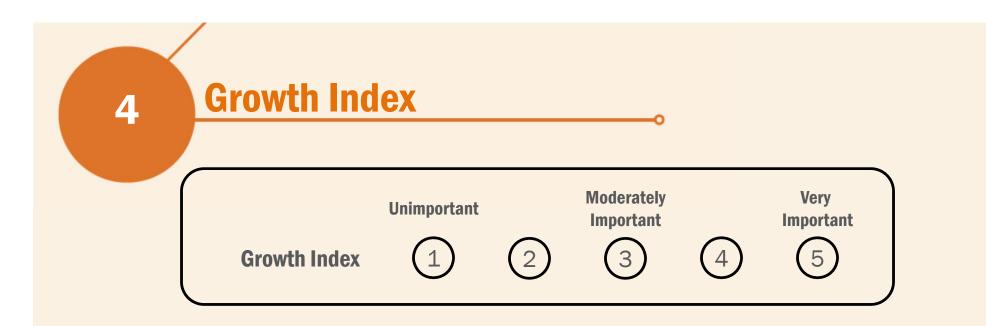


## 4 Constraints and Growth

Problem: Central Corridor mobility is constrained by existing physical infrastructure and anticipated employment and population growth.

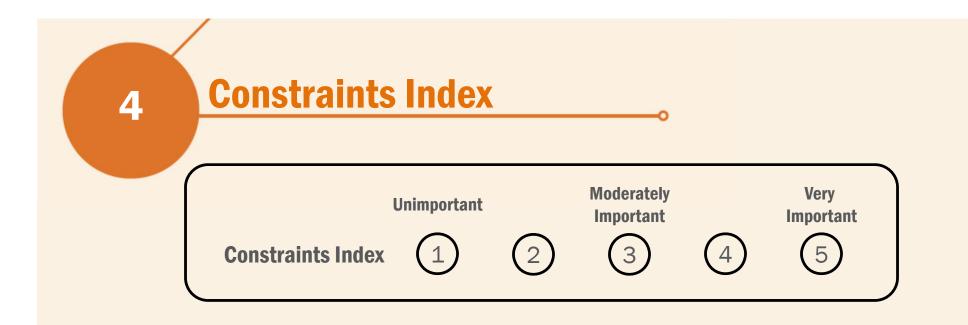
- Growth Index a measure of 2030 population and employment densities and growth in densities
- Constraints Index a qualitative measure of physical and environmental constraints that can indicate a magnitude of cost





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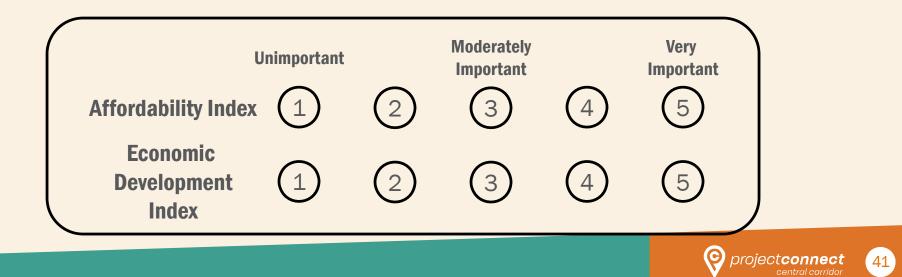
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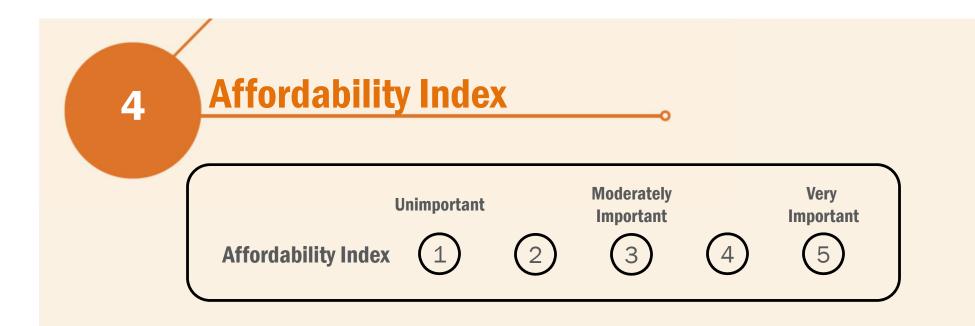




Problem: The economic health of the region's core is at risk – access to the core is critical to the region's continued success.

- Affordability Index a measure of household transportation costs and transit dependency
- Economic Development Index a measure of economic growth based on anticipated net increase in jobs, wages, and revenues





Affordability Index – a measure of household transportation costs and transit dependency



#### **Economic Development Index** 4 Very **Moderately** Unimportant Important Important Economic Development (1)

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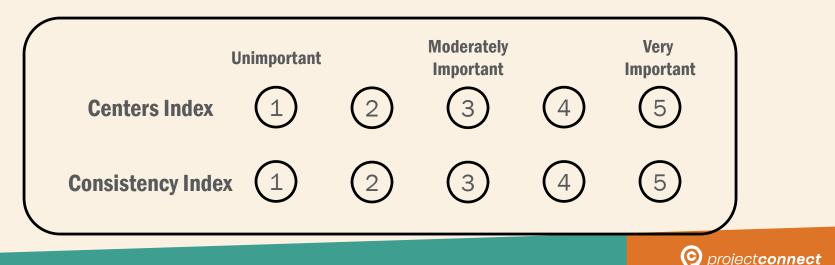
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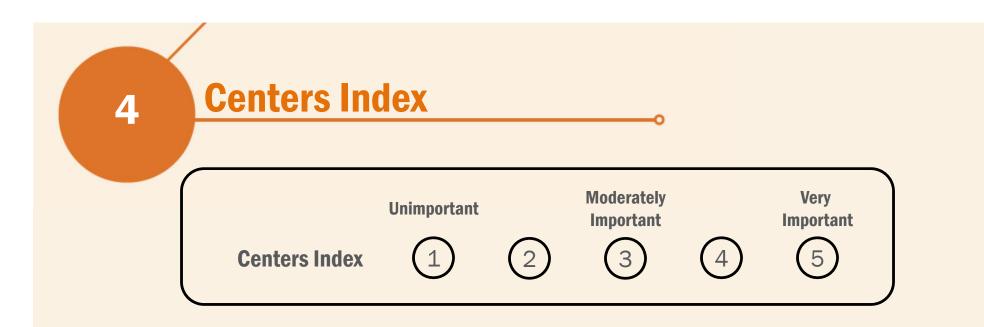
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Problem: The Central Corridor lacks multimodal connectivity between activity centers.

- Centers Index a measure of numbers, type, and size of Imagine Austin Centers and Imagine Austin Corridors
- Consistency Index a qualitative measure of consistency with local transit supportive plans and policies, as well as regional plans





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## 4 Economic Development Index Unimportant Moderately Very Important Important Important 5

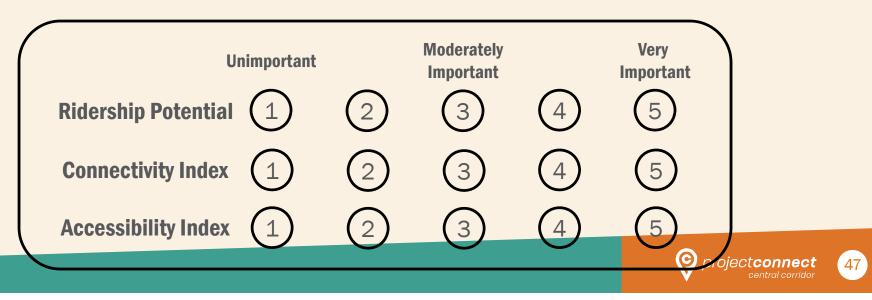
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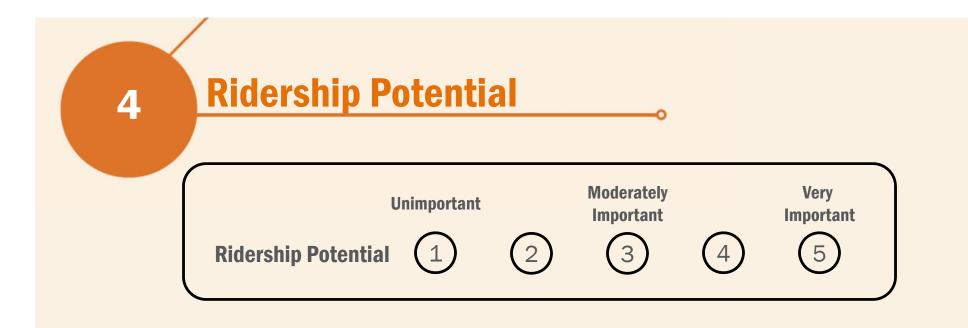
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Problem: Existing and planned regional transit investments converge on the Central Corridor without adequate system integration

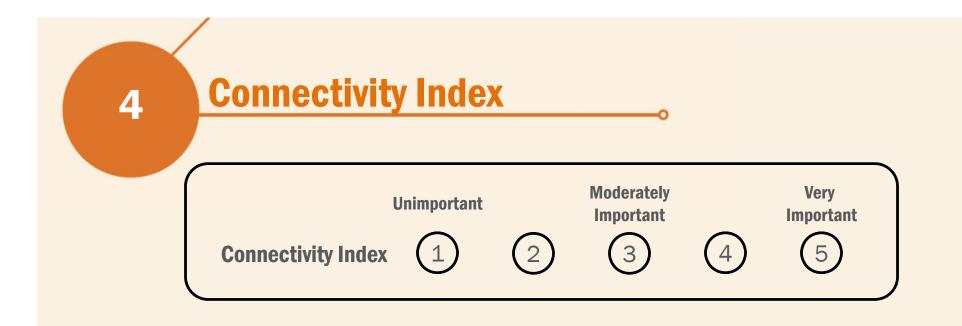
- Ridership Potential a measure of transit orientation based on household, employment and retail employment densities
- Connectivity Index a measure of existing and planned high capacity investments, and available bus route miles
- Transit Demand Index a measure of transit dependent populations' access to transit (zero-car households, population below poverty level, and populations over 65) and existing ridership





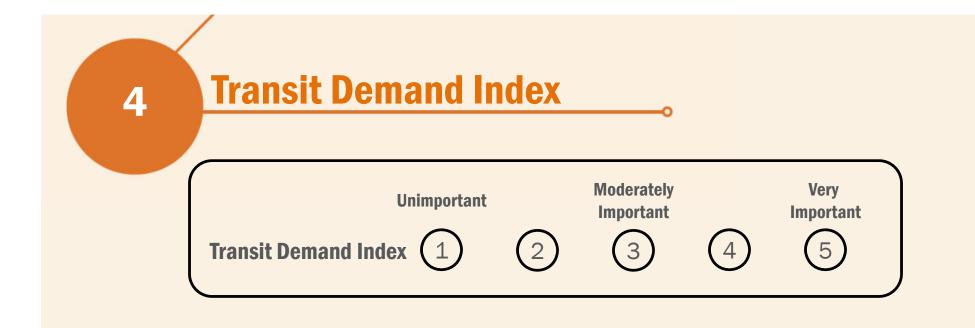
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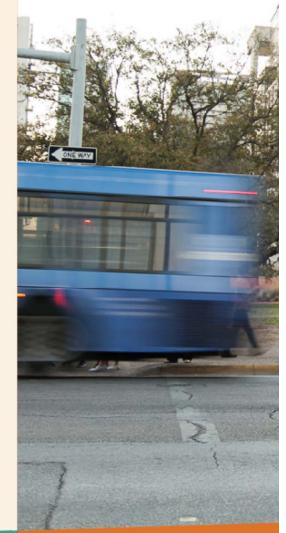




#### **Data Comparison**

Data matrix handout

- Economic Development Data forthcoming
- Graphic illustrations from CCAG#4
  - Population Density (2010 & 2030)
  - Employment Density (2010 & 2030)
  - Congestion (2010 & 2035)



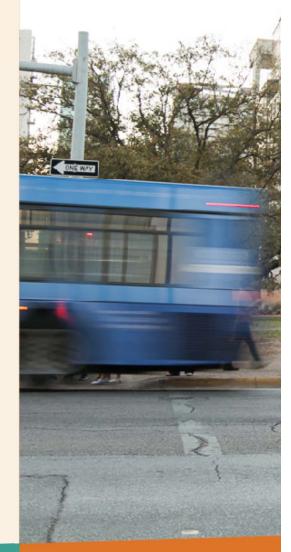


#### **Data Comparison**

Today's Illustrations

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- Transit Dependent Populations (2010)
- Percent Area Imagine Austin Centers
- Percent Miles Imagine Austin Corridors
- Average Daily Bus Boardings (2013)
- Potential Ridership vs. Current Ridership
- Additional Illustrations in Packet
  - Population and Employment Density Growth (2010 to 2030)
  - Congested Lane Miles and Percent Congested Lane Miles(2010 & 2030)
  - Total Hours of Delay (2010 and 2030)
  - Work and All Trips to Core (2010)
  - Work and All Trips within each Sub-Corridor (2010)
  - Total Households and Percent Affordable Housing (2010)

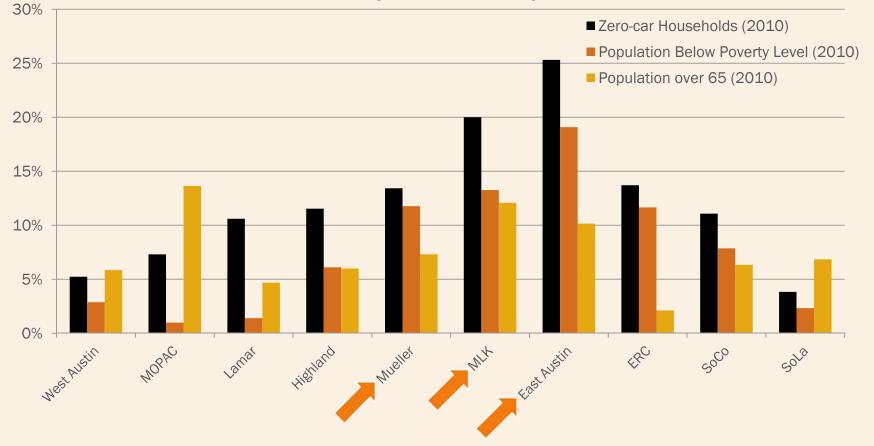




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Core

#### **Transit Dependent Populations**





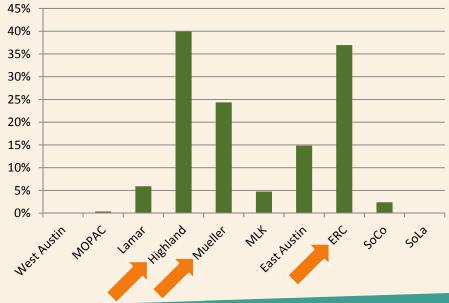
#### **Centers**

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% Length of Imagine Austin Corridors\*

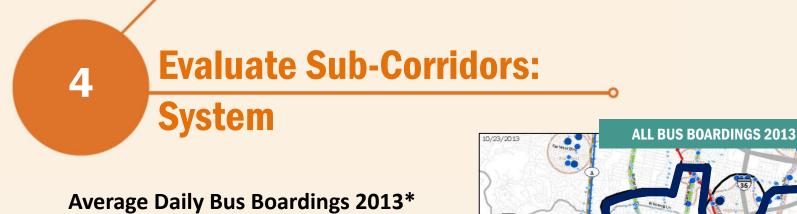


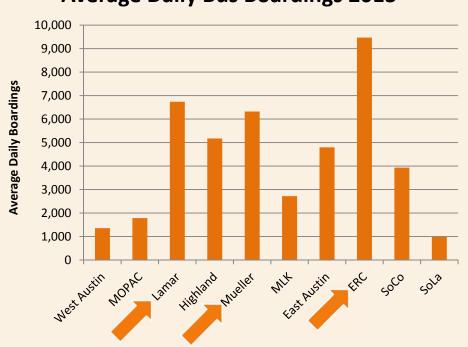
#### % Area of Imagine Austin Centers



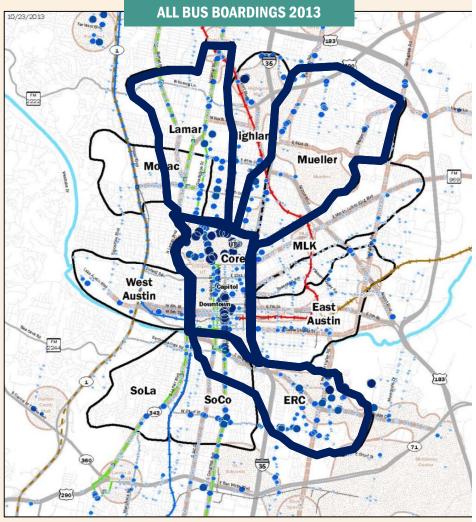
#### **\*% total of roadway miles**







\*The core has average daily bus boardings exceeding 45,000 and is not shown on this graph



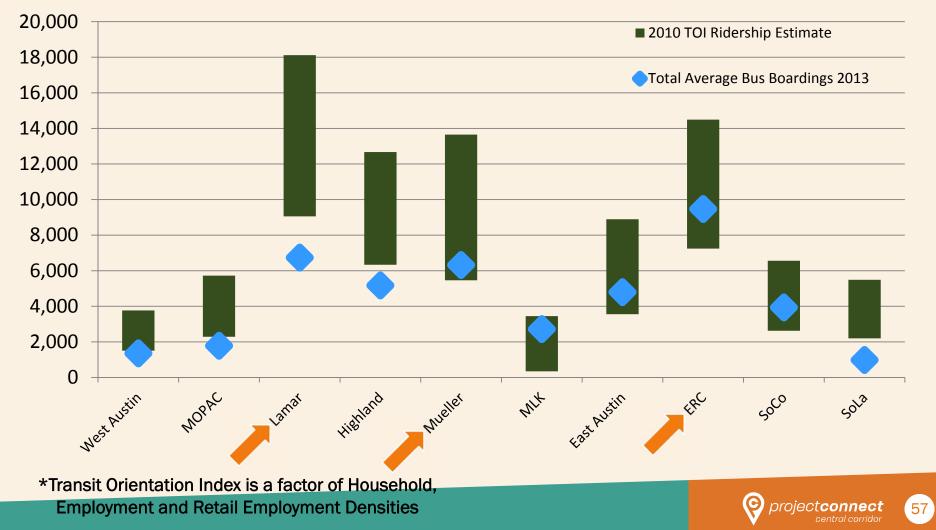
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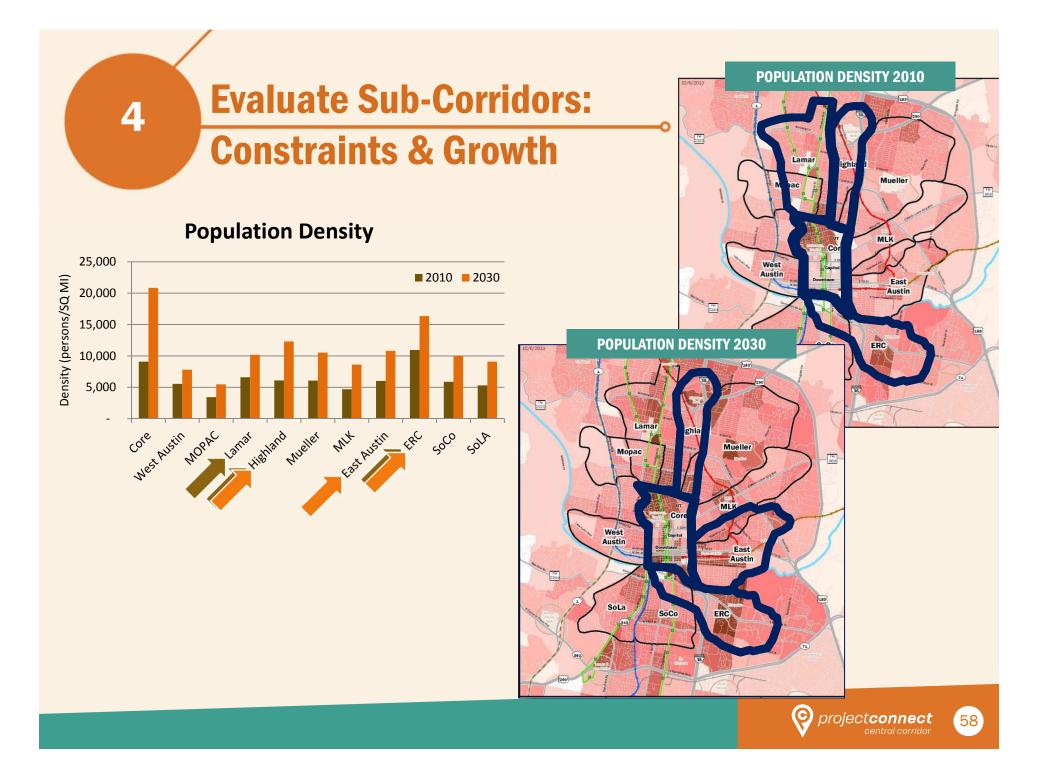
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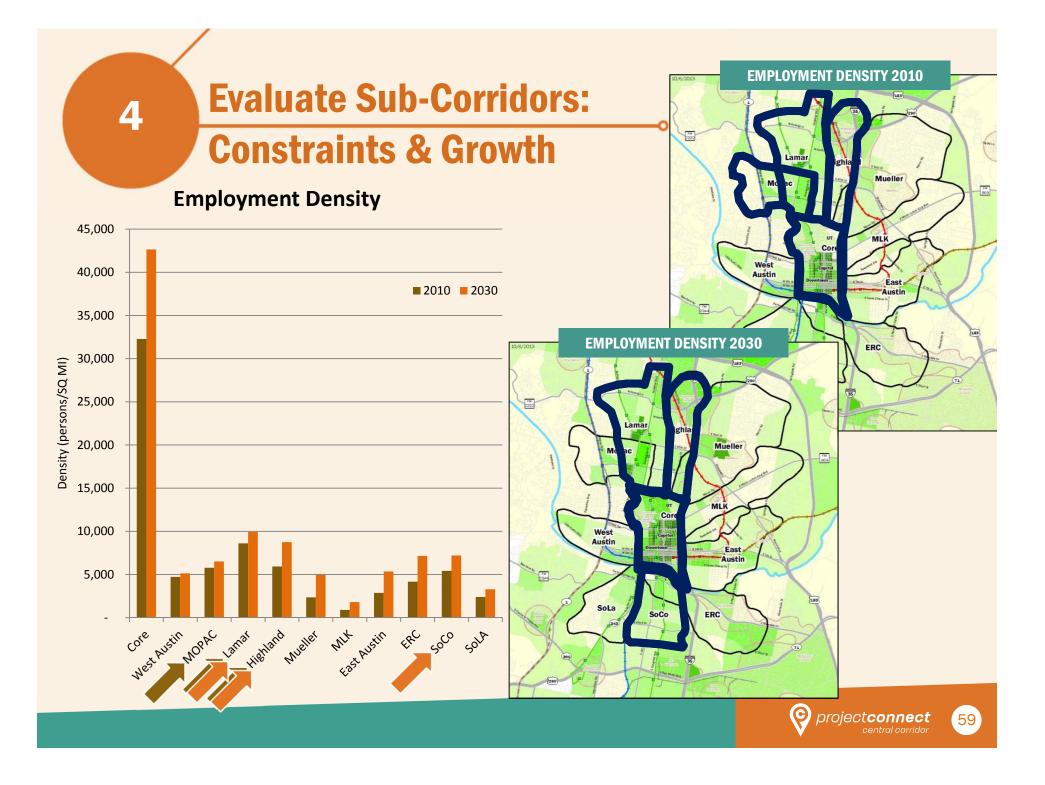
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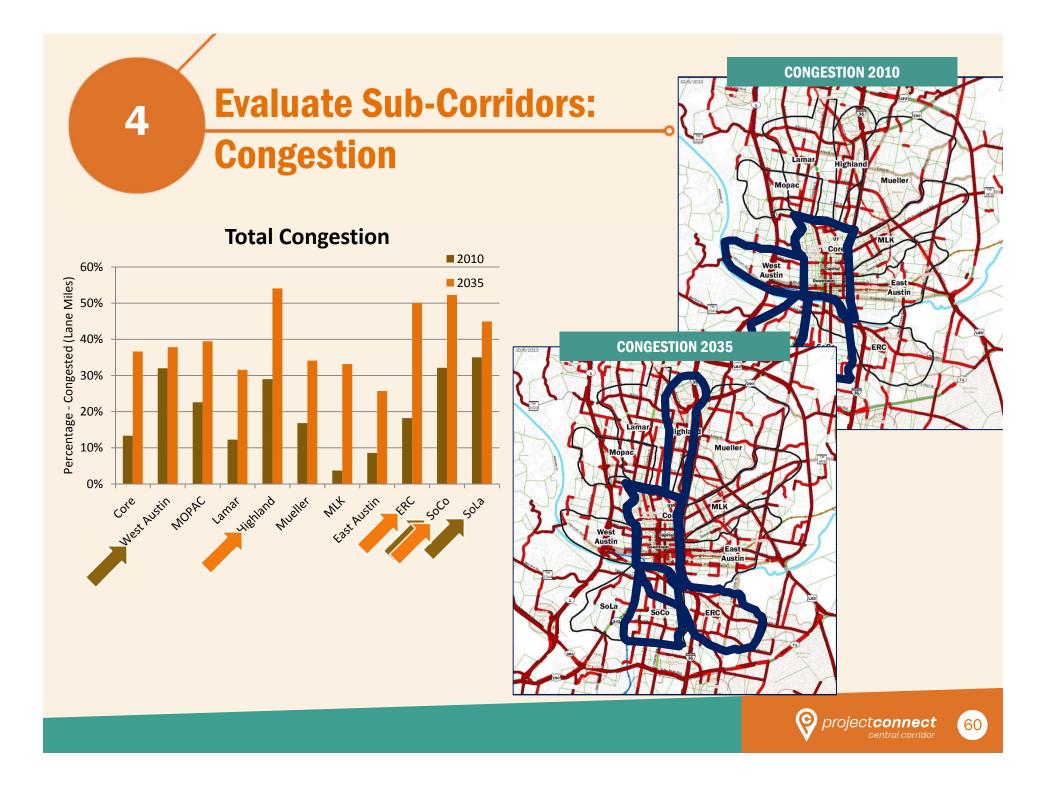
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#### **Ridership Potential\* vs. Current Ridership**







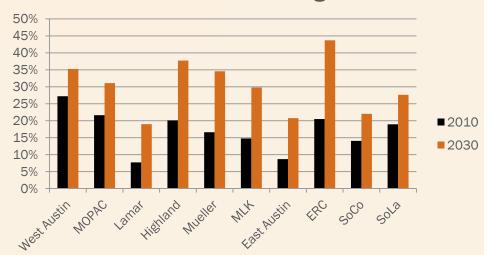




#### Congestion

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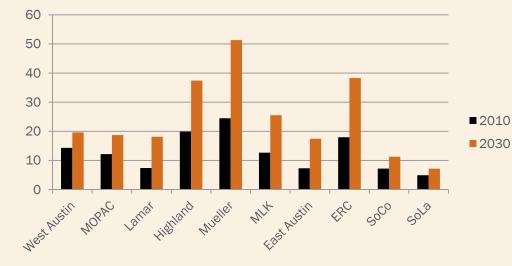
% Lane Miles of Congestion



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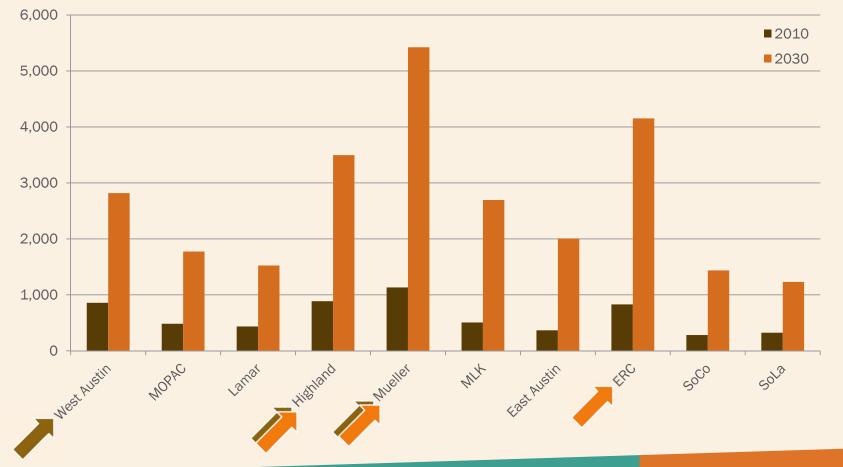
**Congested Lane Miles** 



#### **Evaluate Sub-Corridors: Congestion**

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**Total Hours of Delay** 

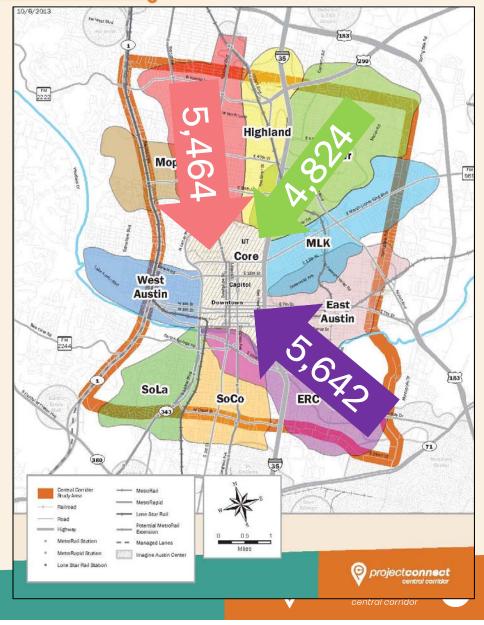




#### Congestion

• Work trips to the core per sub-corridor (2010)

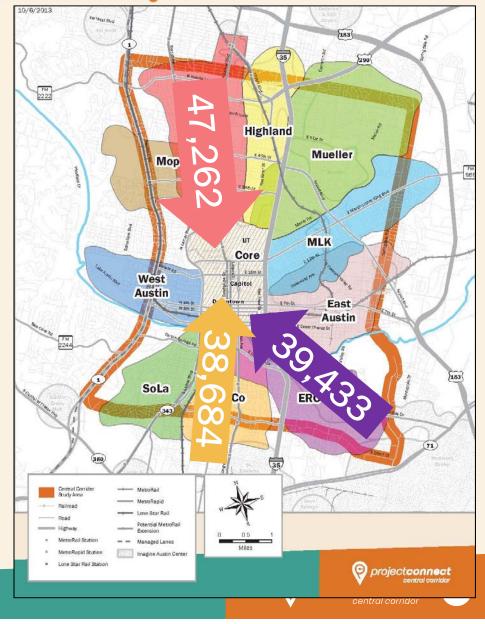
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2. Lamar	5,464
3. Mueller	4,824
4. SoCo	4,127
5. East Austin	3,787
6. SoLa	3,561
7. West Austin	3,168
8. Highland	3,039
9. MOPAC	2,113
10. MLK	2,676



#### Congestion

• ALL Trips to the core per sub-corridor (2010)

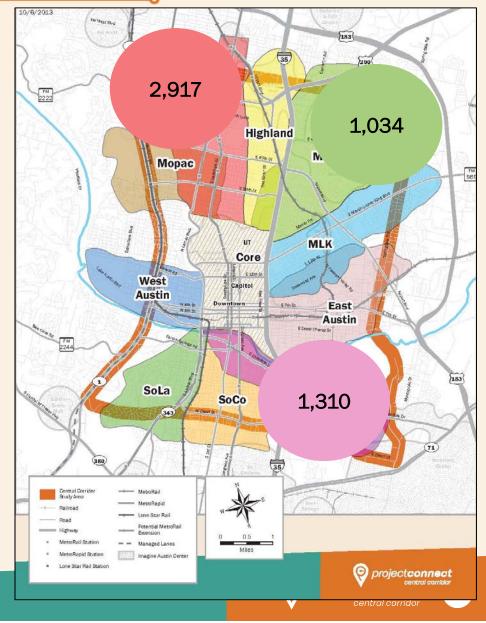
1. Lamar	47,262
2. ERC	39,433
3. SoCo	38,684
4. Mueller	37,002
5. Highland	30,160
6. East Austin	29,270
7. West Austin	25,323
8. SoLa	24,476
9. MOPAC	23,694
10. MLK	16,048



#### Congestion

• Work Trips within subcorridors (2010)

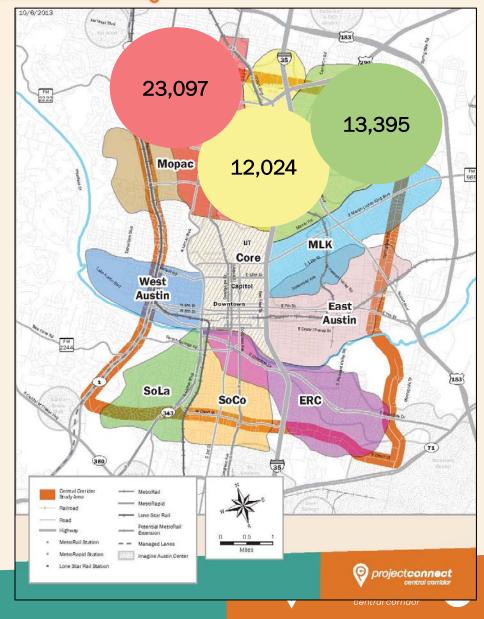
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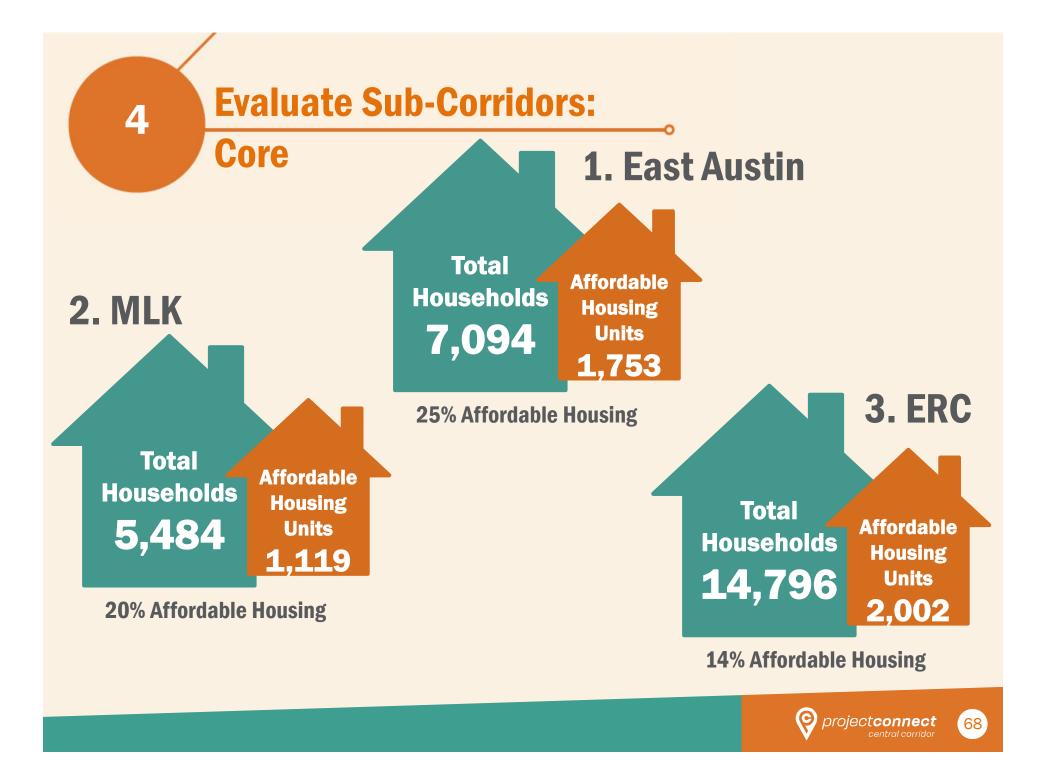


#### Congestion

• ALL Trips within subcorridors (2010)

1. Lamar	23,097
2. Mueller	13,395
3. Highland	12,024
4. SoCo	10,797
5. ERC	9,151
6. East Austin	7,926
7. SoLa	6,455
8. West Austin	4,590
9. MOPAC	4,441
10. MLK	2,503







Now that you ranked the importance of the evaluation factors, please rank the relative importance of each of the Central Corridor problems from 1 to 5, with 5 being the most important.





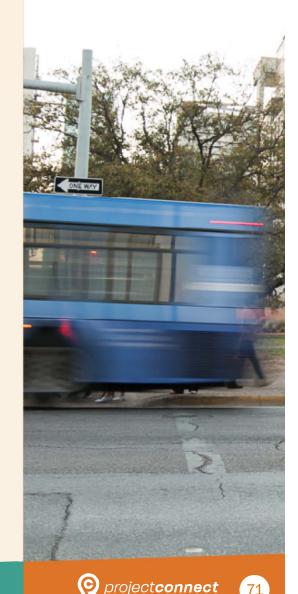






#### **Upcoming Activities**

- Analyze, compare and contrast
- Finalize evaluation matrix
- Staff recommendation
- Begin priority sub-corridor selection



#### The Road to the Priority Sub-Corridor

#### **CCAG Meetings**

• November 1

6

- Present Data (2 of 2)
- Evaluation Process
- Public Comment
- November 15
  - Evaluation Results
  - Project Team Recommendations
  - Public Comment
- December 6
  - Public Comment
  - CCAG Selection

#### **Board & Council Briefings**

- December 11
  - Capital Metro Board
- December 12
  - Austin City Council
- TBD
  - Lone Star Board





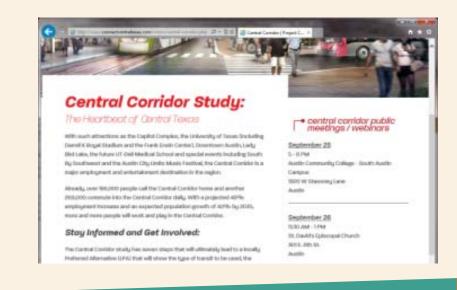








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