

BERGSTROM SPUR PLATINUM PLANNING STUDY Background

CAMPO is partnering with the City of Austin Urban Trails Program to study the Bergstrom Spur, an abandoned rail corridor stretching from Vinson Drive in southwest Austin to US 183 near the Austin Bergstrom International Airport. This study will examine options for redevelopment of the corridor into a well-utilized, safe, and interconnected east-west corridor for walking, biking, and potential for transit.

The Bergstrom Spur corridor is identified as an important future link for connecting bicycle, pedestrian, trail, and public transportation networks in several local and regional plans, including:

- >> 2045 Regional Active Transportation Plan
- >> City of Austin Strategic Mobility Plan
- >> City of Austin Urban Trails Plan





As part of the CAMPO Platinum Planning Program, the locally driven approach to long-range planning, concepts identified in this study will help to inform the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).





BERGSTROM SPUR PLATINUM PLANNING STUDY Draft Vision and Goals

Draft Vision:

The Bergstrom Spur is a vibrant multiuse corridor that is accessible by and connected to the regional transportation network. The corridor will provide safe, functional, and equitable transportation options for utilitarian and recreational purposes and leverage its unique context to create a distinct destination, both culturally and economically, within the region.



Draft Goals:



Enhance Public Health

Enable active transportation that contributes to healthy lifestyles.

Prioritize safety and accommodate users from diverse backgrounds, ages, abilities, and locations.



Improve Connectivity and Mobility

Connect to existing housing, jobs, community services, and the existing transportation network.

Facilitate community mobility as a premier east/west active transportation connection to Austin.

Incorporate opportunities for future transit services and transportation expansion.



Celebrate and Value the Study Area's People and Historical Character

Recognize the historical significance of the corridor as a means of connecting people and goods.

Integrate context-sensitive design elements that enhance the corridor's sense of place and emphasize its historical industrial character.

Incorporate design features, programmatic elements, and functional improvements that enhance quality of life for residents, workers, and employers along the corridor.



Promote Environmental and Social Sustainability

Make recommendations that avoid adverse impacts to people and the environment. Proactively protect and enhance air, water, and land quality around the corridor.



Catalyze Economic Development and Upward Mobility

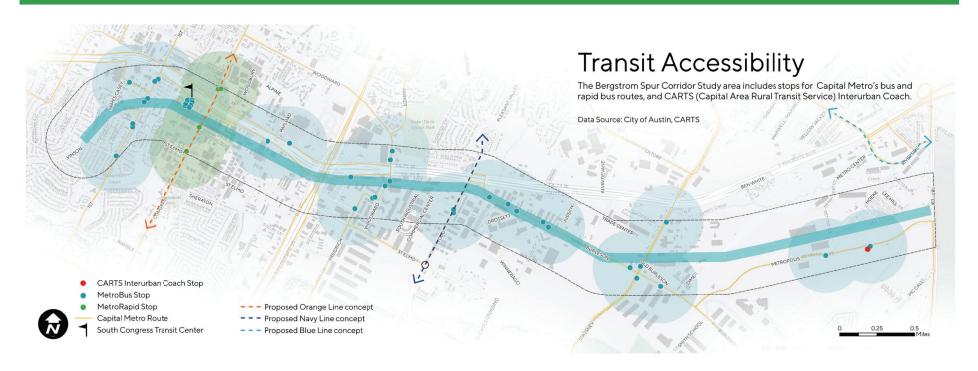
Orient development to benefit and grow local jobs, businesses, and community services.

Prioritize improvements championed by local stakeholders.





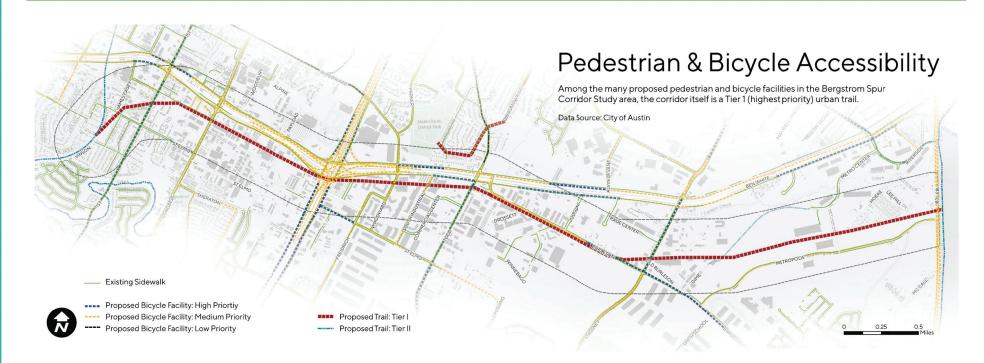
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Study Development

DISCOVERY FALL 2019

Gather community input and technical data on existing conditions



CONCEPTS WINTER 2019/2020

Continue to use community input and technical data to develop conceptual ideas that address local needs



REPORTING

SPRING 2020

Use feedback collected on concepts to finalize and report

Implementation

Though the ideas from this study are not currently funded, having a plan in place will allow a project sponsor, such as the City of Austin or Capital Metro, to move quickly once funding is identified. Project sponsors must conduct further studies and analysis, facilitate public involvement, and identify funding.

