

Winooski Transportation Master Plan

Public Meeting / Community Dinner



Presentation Topics

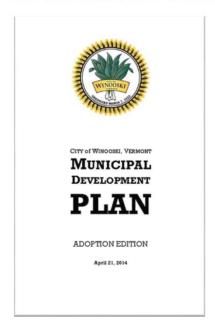
- Overview of Transportation Master Plan
- Review of Existing Conditions
- Open Discussion
 - Vision for Winooski's Transportation Future
 - Strengths & Deficiencies
 - Priorities for Improvement
- Closing & Next Steps

Winooski's Transportation Master Plan

Current Transportation Plan

TRANSPORTATION

As the metropolitan area of Chittenden County becomes increasingly interconnected, transportation planning and municipal coordination becomes increasingly crucial. Winooski recognizes and supports the value of the Metropolitan Planning Organization's Transportation Plan. The transit-oriented design principles, intended to promote a transportation system which enhances the quality of life in neighborhoods and downtowns, are basic to Winooski's transportation planning, philosophy and character. Winooski's existing and proposed traditional development pattern of grid streets with sidewalks and bus routes epitomize the principles of transit-oriented design. The points which follow highlight the extent to which Winooski embodies transit oriented principles.





Winooski's Transportation Master Plan Schedule

• **Project Kick-off** May 2015

• Existing Conditions Summer 2015

• Vision Statement Summer - Fall 2015

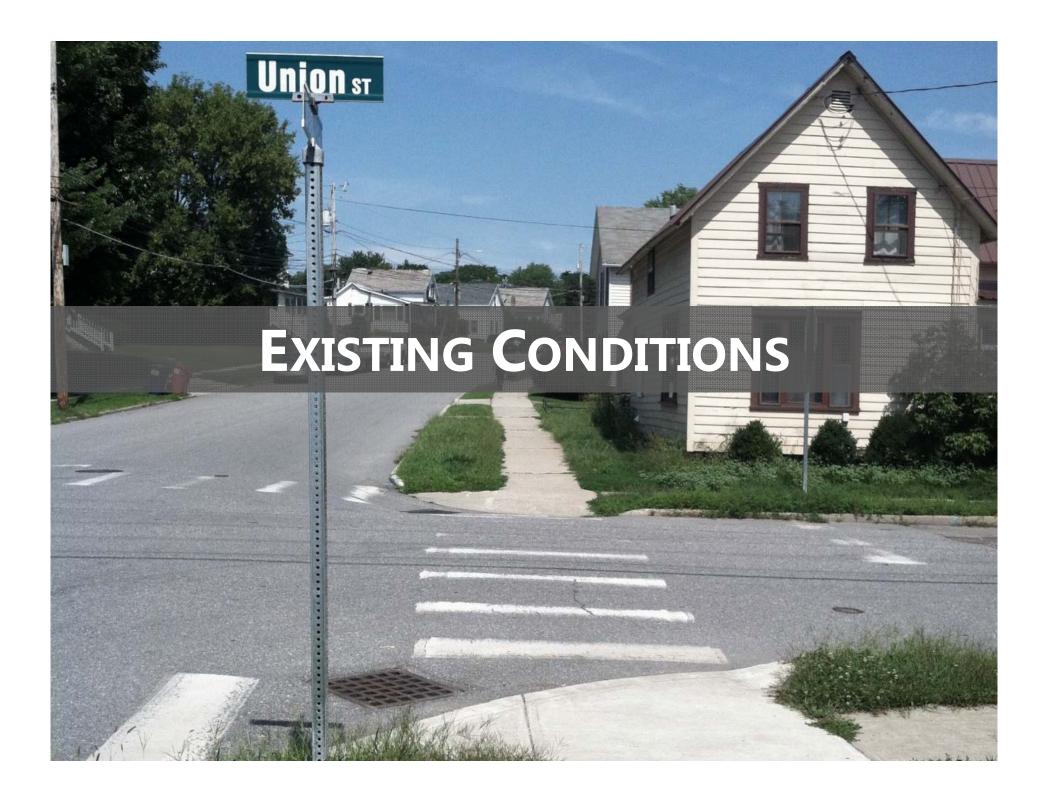
• **Public Outreach – Round 1** September – October 2015

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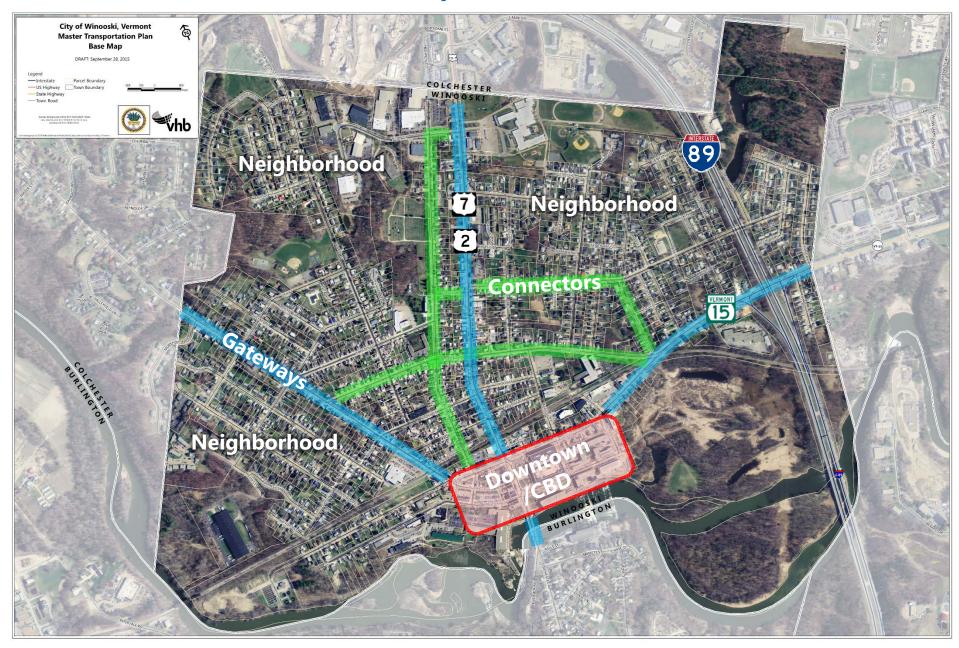
• **Strategies & Recommendations** January – February 2016

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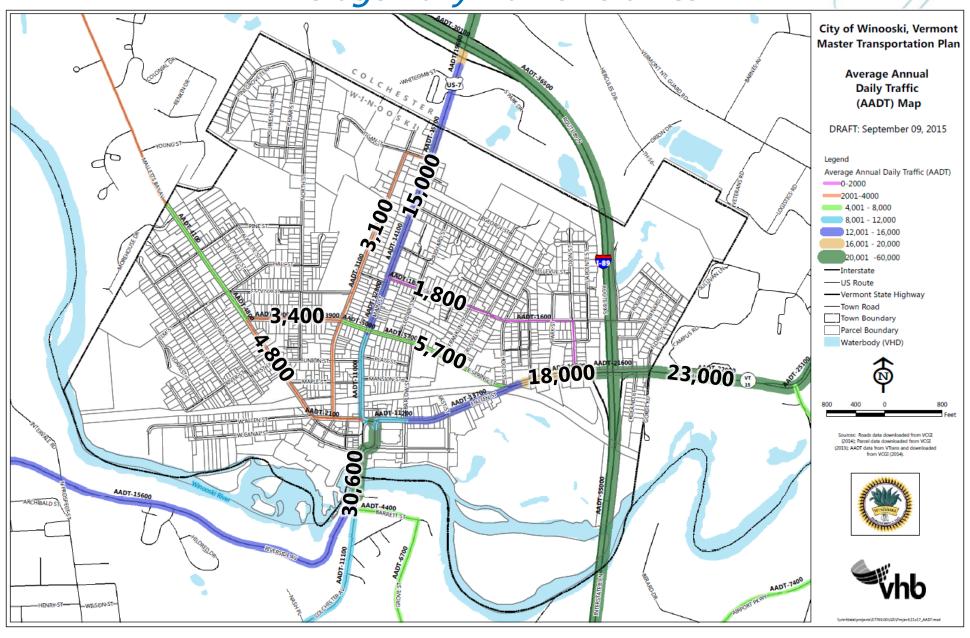
• Transportation Master Plan May – June 2016



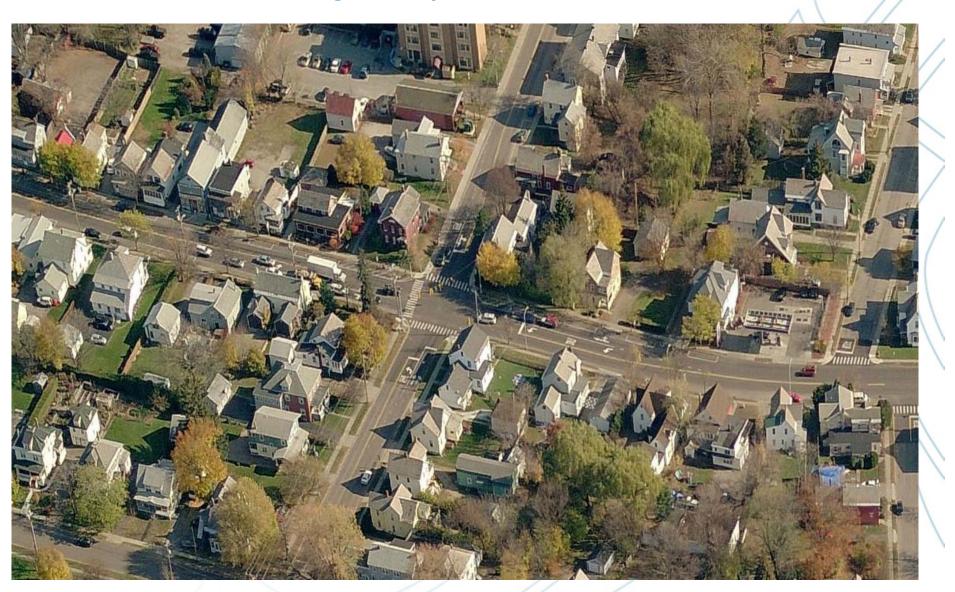
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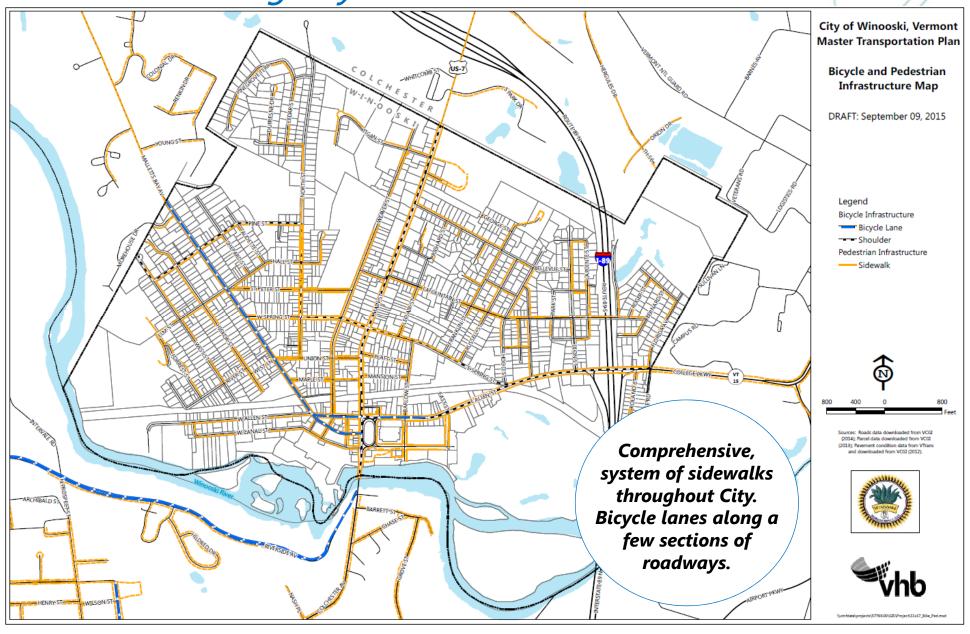
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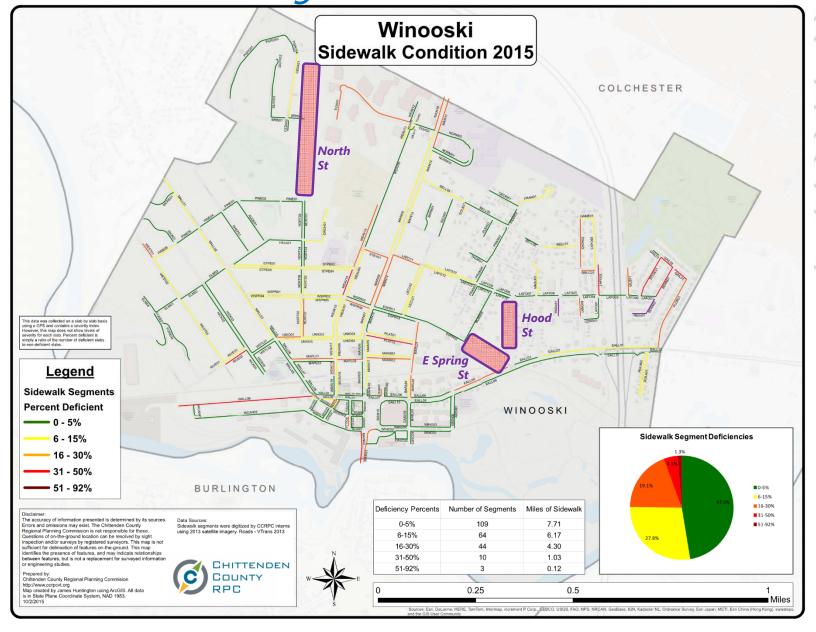
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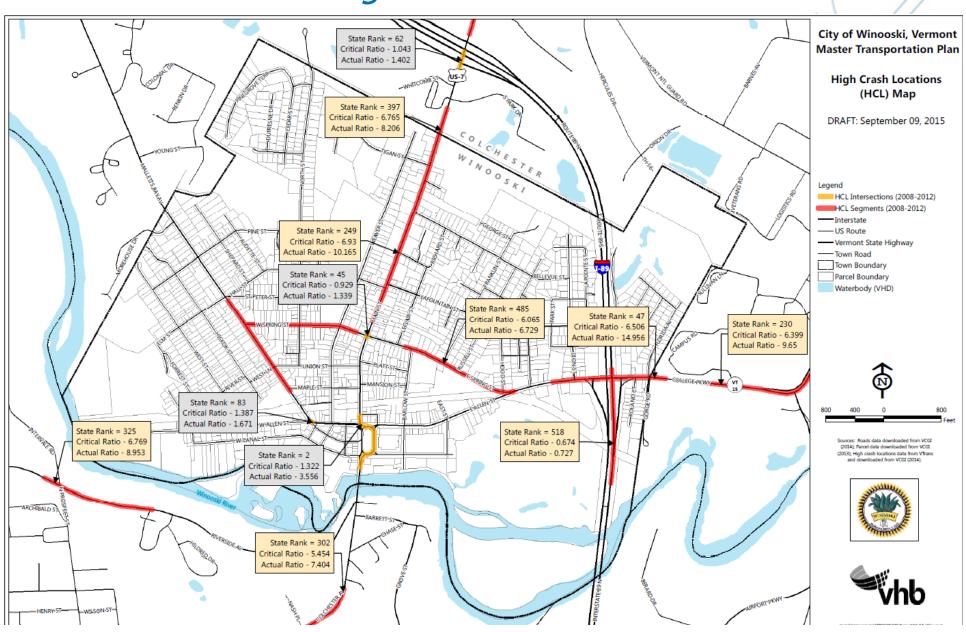


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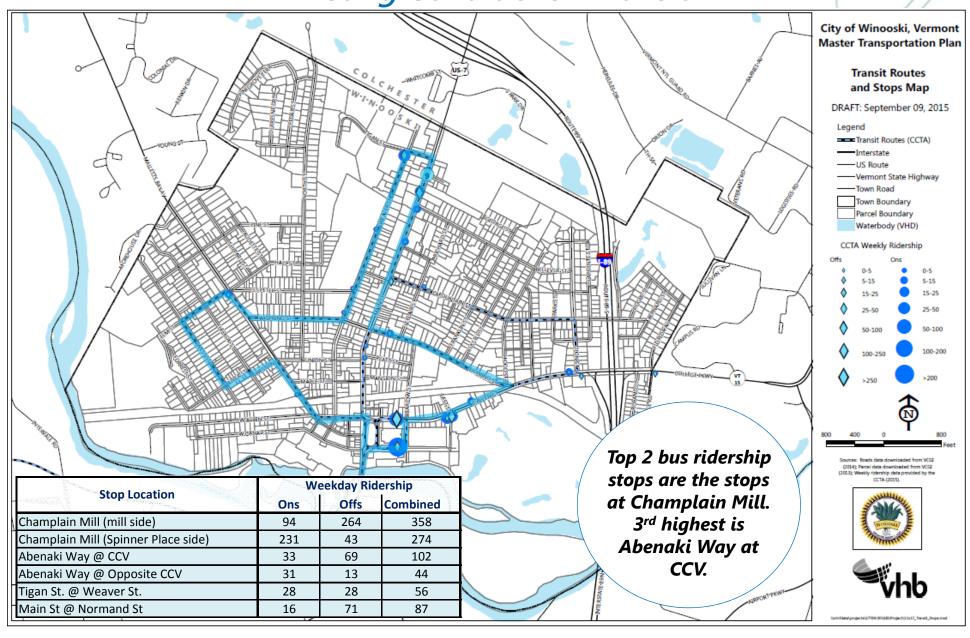
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Four Focus Groups, Online Survey, In-Person Discussions, <u>Public Meeting</u>

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Transportation Master Plan
 May – June 2016

Transit.

"... the service is not accessible if you don't live in the circle..."

Winooski's Transportation Master Plan *Public Outreach – Input to Date*

Parking. "Possible underground parking in the future? The surface lots are a waste of valuable real estate."

Bicycle lanes.

"The bike lanes that are here dump bicyclists into unsafe situations, offstreet options such as along Allen are not integrated well..." Sidewalks / Crosswalks. "Need (safe) access to the park."

Traffic Congestion.

"I actually avoid businesses downtown when I know the area is full of traffic and I go to other Towns where traffic is less"

Traffic Safety. "People do not understand the circle..."

Road Conditions.

"Should be a top priority."
"Not too bad."

Walking Trails and Paths.

"Riverwalk and nature trails badly maintained and rarely policed."

This is only going to get worse, there needs to be more emphasis on other forms of transportation than using cars."

Dense development helps with the walkability.

Winooski's Transportation Master Plan *Public Outreach – Input to Date*

"I love that Winooski is a walkable town.

That being said, the sidewalks are not managed well at all."

"I think the rotary
actually works great.
It's the best way to have
traffic flow through the
area, and it's safer now
that the middle pedestrian
crosswalks are gone,

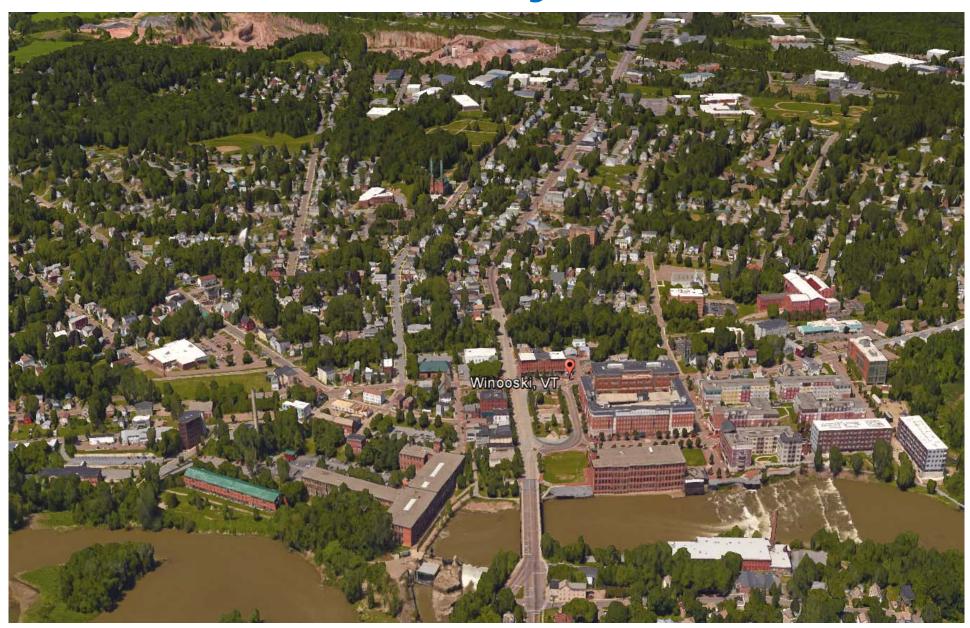
"... Excellent mix of pedestrian use, parking, and feels safe to bicycle commute."

"The density and urban environment of Winooski Falls Way is excellent. It is a visually appealing neighborhood that seems very out of place in a state like Vermont (this is a good thing). More urban neighborhoods should be built like this!"

"I like the **protected left** from Spring onto
Rte 15. I like that I
can easily and safely
walk downtown."

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Winooski's Transportation Master Plan Your Thoughts



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Additional Thoughts? Questions? Comments?



