



# Presentation to City of Nanaimo

December 12, 2016



## Terminal Nicol Re-imagined

LIVE - WORK - CONNECT





# HOW DID WE GET HERE?

## **Committee**

- Committee formed in July 2015
- Community-led technical steering committee funded by City of Nanaimo, DNBIA, Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure, and Nanaimo Economic Development Corporation

## **Objectives**

- Through a City-wide public process, determine public priorities for the corridor
- Balance these priorities against technical and physical constraints to develop a phased action plan towards achieving this balanced vision

## **Budget**

- Project was completed on budget



# THE IMPORTANCE OF TERMINAL NICOL



Moving from the first impression Terminal Nicol makes today, to the vision we want for the future.



# WHY NOW?



The Parkway provides a viable alternative for vehicle travel



Increasing interest in renewal and redevelopment of private lots



# WHY NOW?



Upcoming infrastructure renewal



Community momentum and grass roots efforts to encourage change

# CONTEXT

## **HISTORIC** PLANNING CONTEXT

- South End Neighbourhood Plan
- South Downtown Waterfront Initiative
- Downtown Urban Design Plan & Guidelines
- Downtown Plan
- planNanaimo OCP
- Nanaimo Transportation Master Plan
- A Cultural Plan for a Creative Nanaimo
- Community Plan for Public Art

## **CURRENT** PLANNING CONTEXT

- Port Drive Waterfront Master Plan
- Waterfront Walkway
- RDN Downtown Nanaimo Transit Exchange
- Nanaimo Fast Ferry
- MoTI Repaving
- Bastion Bridge Upgrades
- Seaspans relocation to Duke Point
- Private Investment



# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- 4 public and stakeholder events:
  - Event #1: My Street
  - Event #2A: Preliminary Concepts
  - Event #2B: Stakeholder Event
  - Event #3: Draft Plan Review

Over **500**  
points of input  
into plan



## WHAT WE'VE HEARD

### Participants' Most Common Fear:

*“Terminal Nicol will remain the same as it is now.”*

#### Key Feedback:

- Greening, beautification, pedestrian amenities - Strong support
- Desirable economic development - Strong support
- Number of vehicle lanes - Mixed support



## ABOUT THE PLAN

Terminal Nicol Re-imagined **balances** the community's **vision** for a vibrant, successful Terminal Avenue and Nicol Street with the **technical and physical constraints** of the corridor.

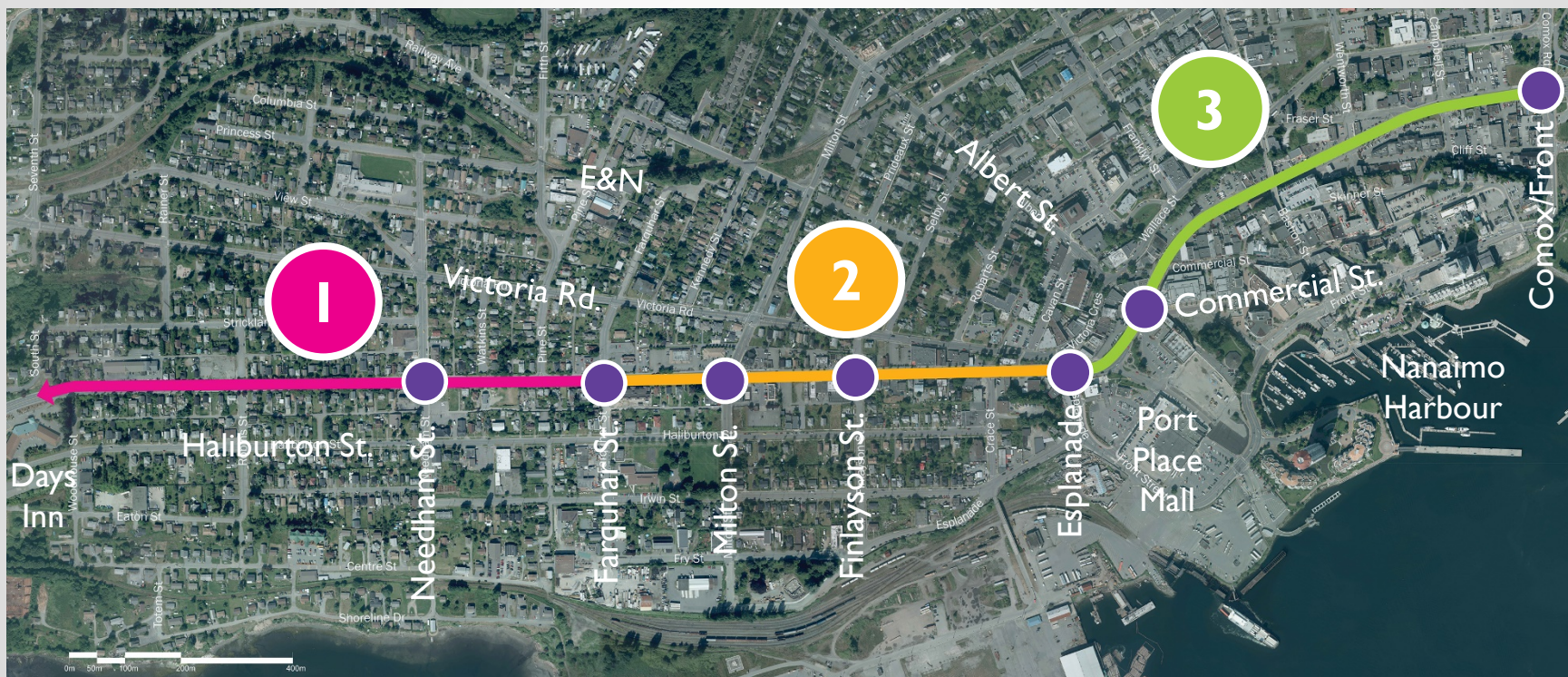
## THE PLAN

The outcome of Terminal Nicol Re-imagined is a **toolbox** of potential project components for the City and partners to consider as a transition towards an improved Terminal Nicol.





# THE STUDY AREA



# TN RE-IMAGINED PRINCIPLES



Our City's Gateway



Safe for Everyone



Vibrant Main Street



Keep on Moving





# APPROACHES

STRATEGY FOR CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS



## PROPOSED APPROACH VEHICLE TRAFFIC



- Infrastructure for 4 vehicle lanes
- Time-of-day parking
- Traffic calming:
  - Infill Tree Planting
  - Gateway Element
  - Curb Extensions on Cross Streets
  - Centre Medians
  - Cross-corridor Connections





## PROPOSED APPROACH PEDESTRIAN REALM



- Pedestrian crosswalks, mid-block crossings, cross-corridor connections
- Expanded pedestrian area
- Improvements to attractiveness of amenities





## PROPOSED APPROACH CYCLING



- Parallel routes on Haliburton and Victoria
- Integrated cycling within the pedestrian area on Terminal
- Improved connections to and across Terminal Nicol
- End-of-trip facilities





## PROPOSED APPROACH TRANSIT

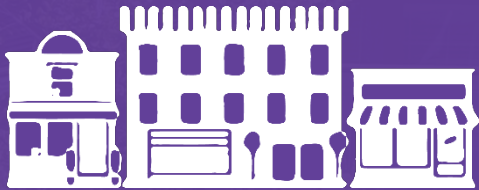


- Regular transit on Nicol Street
- Future rapid transit
- High quality transit areas and amenities





## PROPOSED APPROACH DEVELOPMENT



- Ensure strong design guidelines
- Buildings with relationships to the street
- High quality spaces in front of businesses





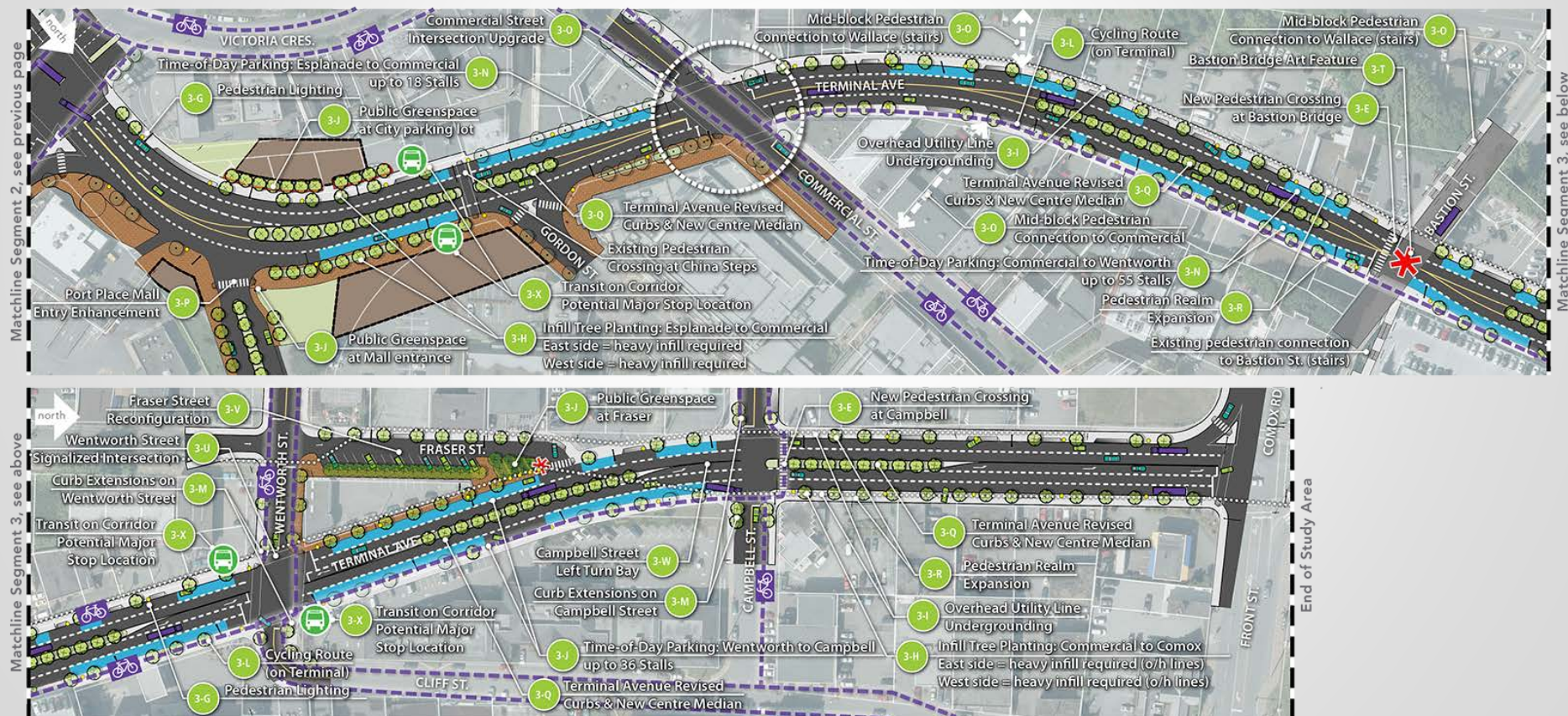


# IMPROVEMENT CONCEPTS

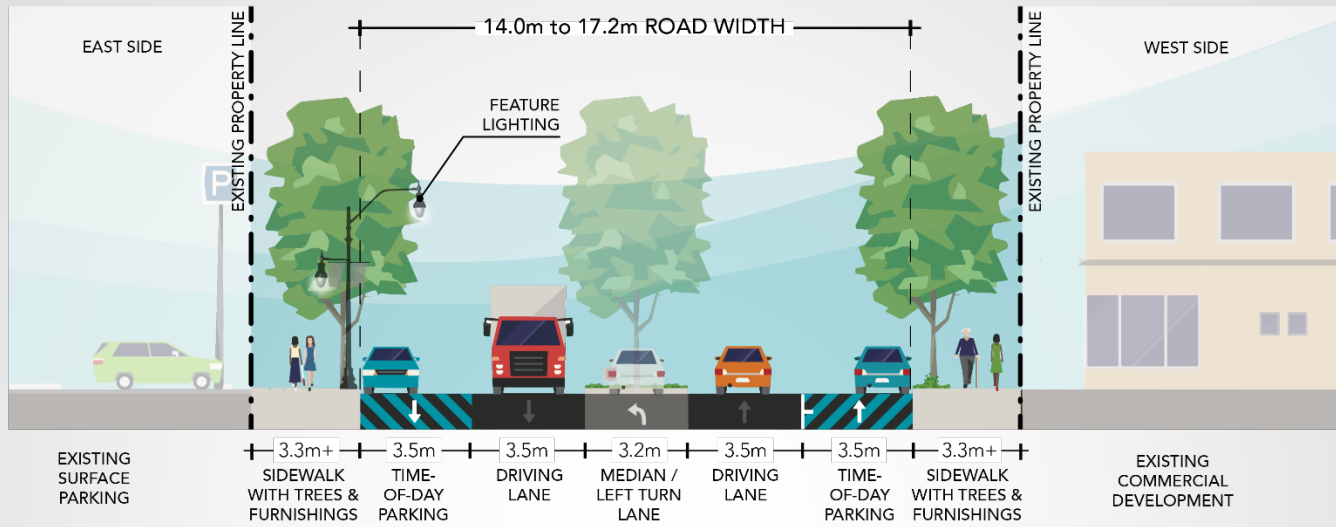
PLANS FOR IMPLEMENTING THE PRINCIPLES & APPROACHES



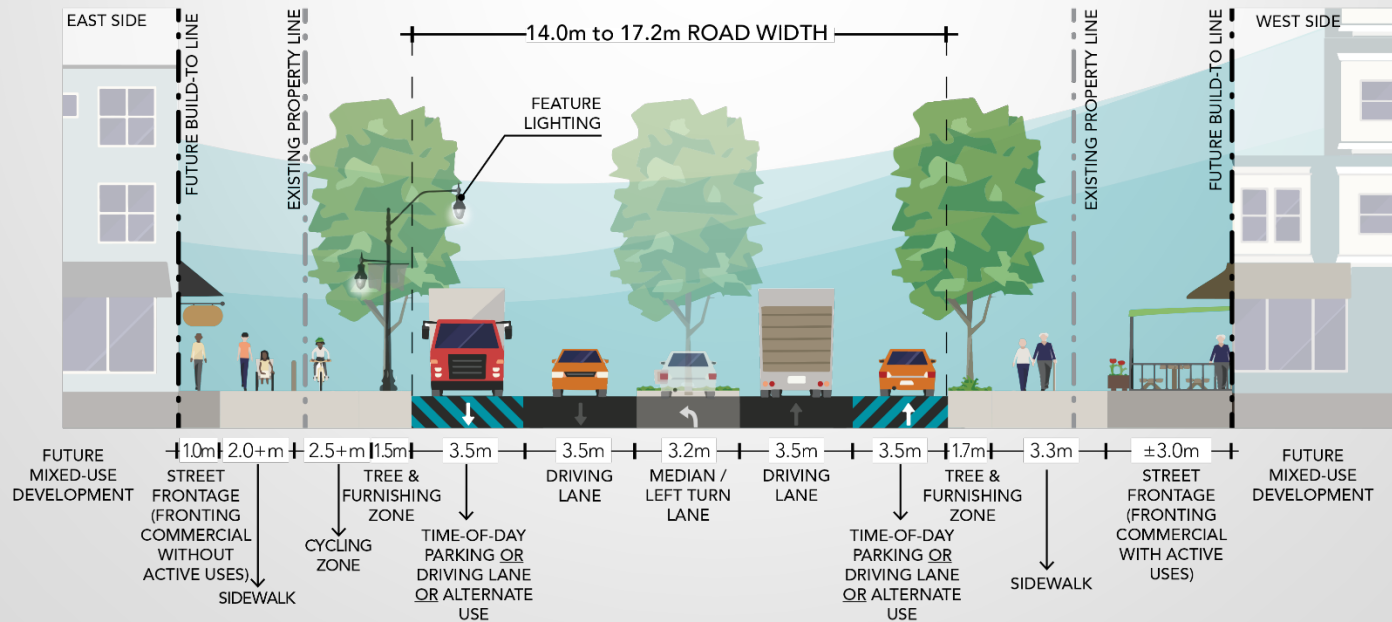
# HOW THE CONCEPTS WORK



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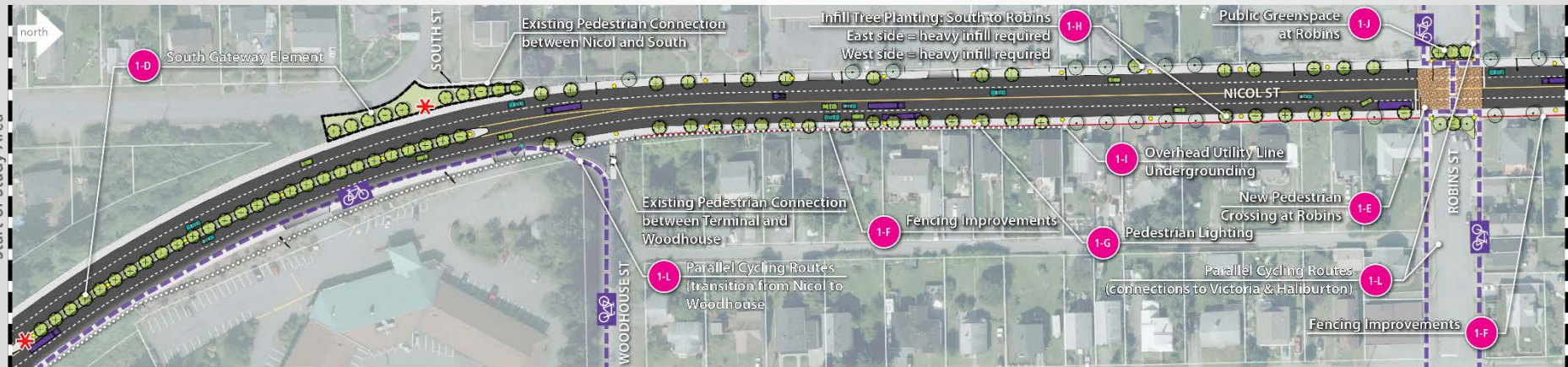


## SECTION 3B POTENTIAL IMPROVEMENTS WITH FUTURE REDEVELOPMENT

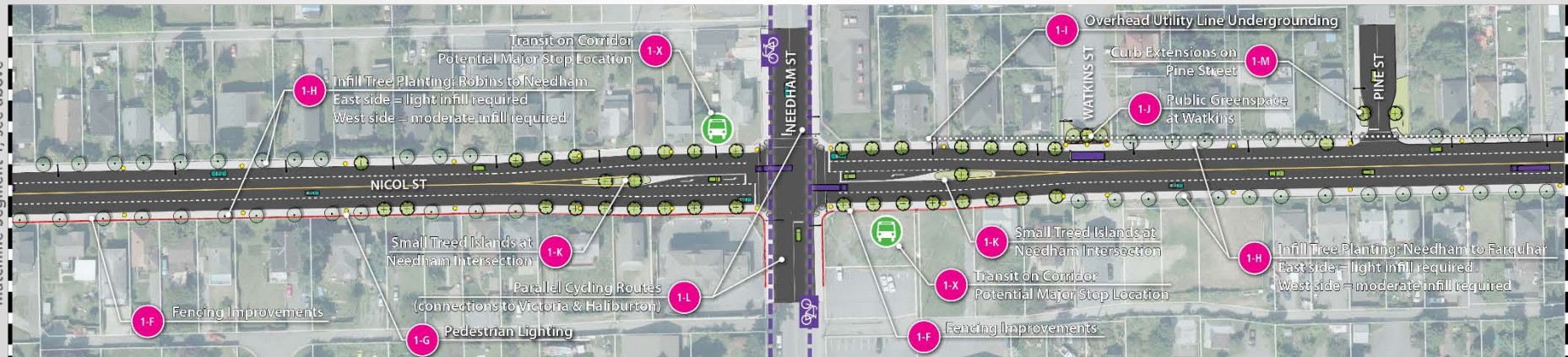




# SEGMENT I: SOUTH TO FARQUHAR



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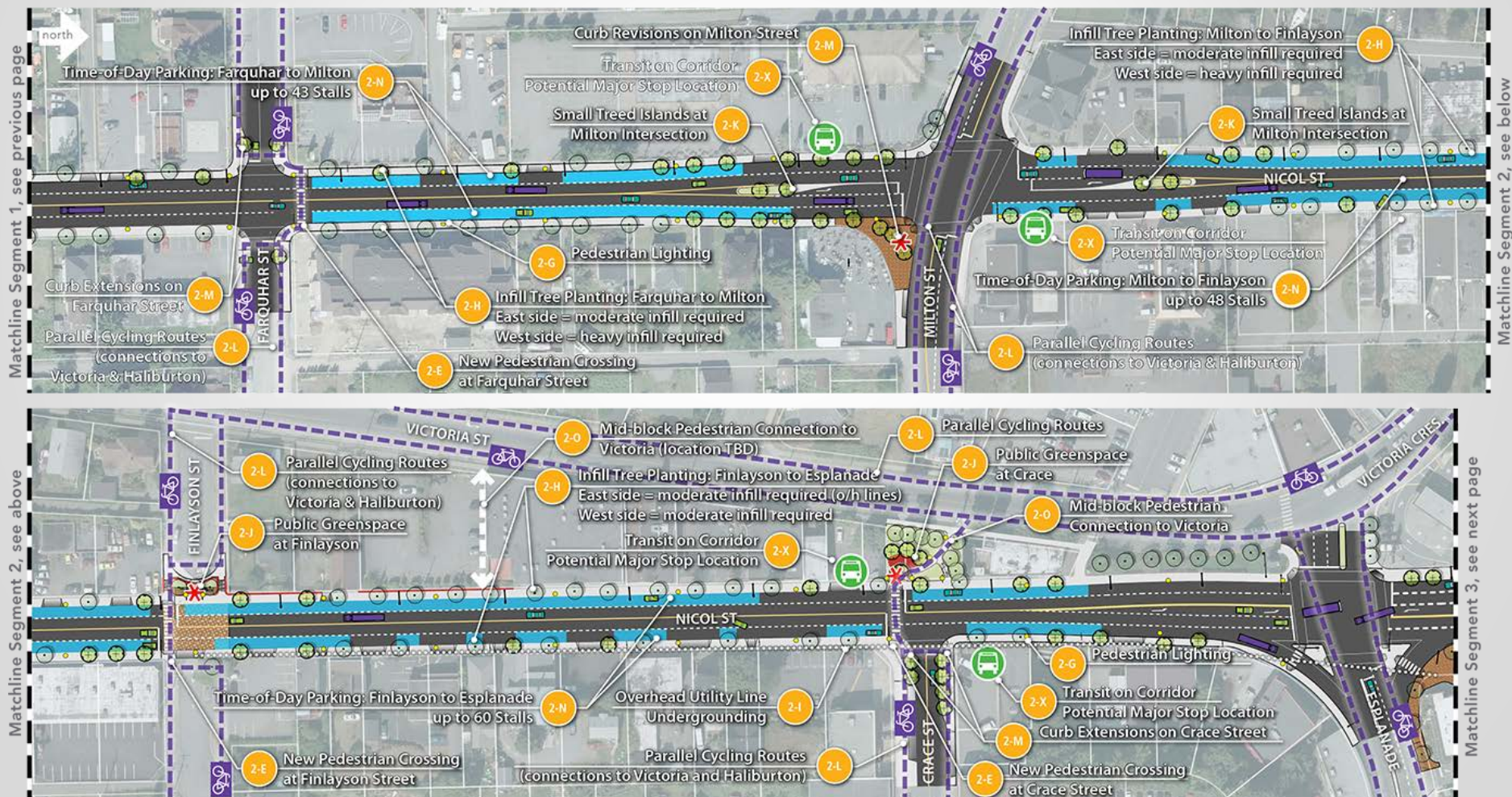
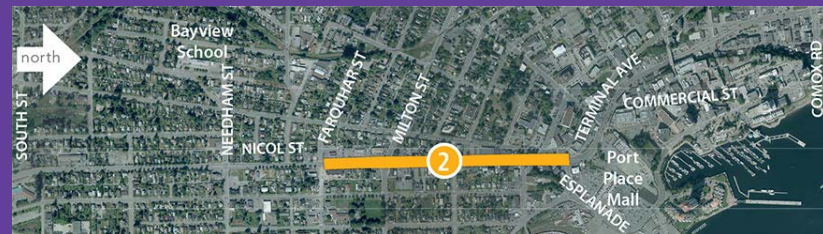


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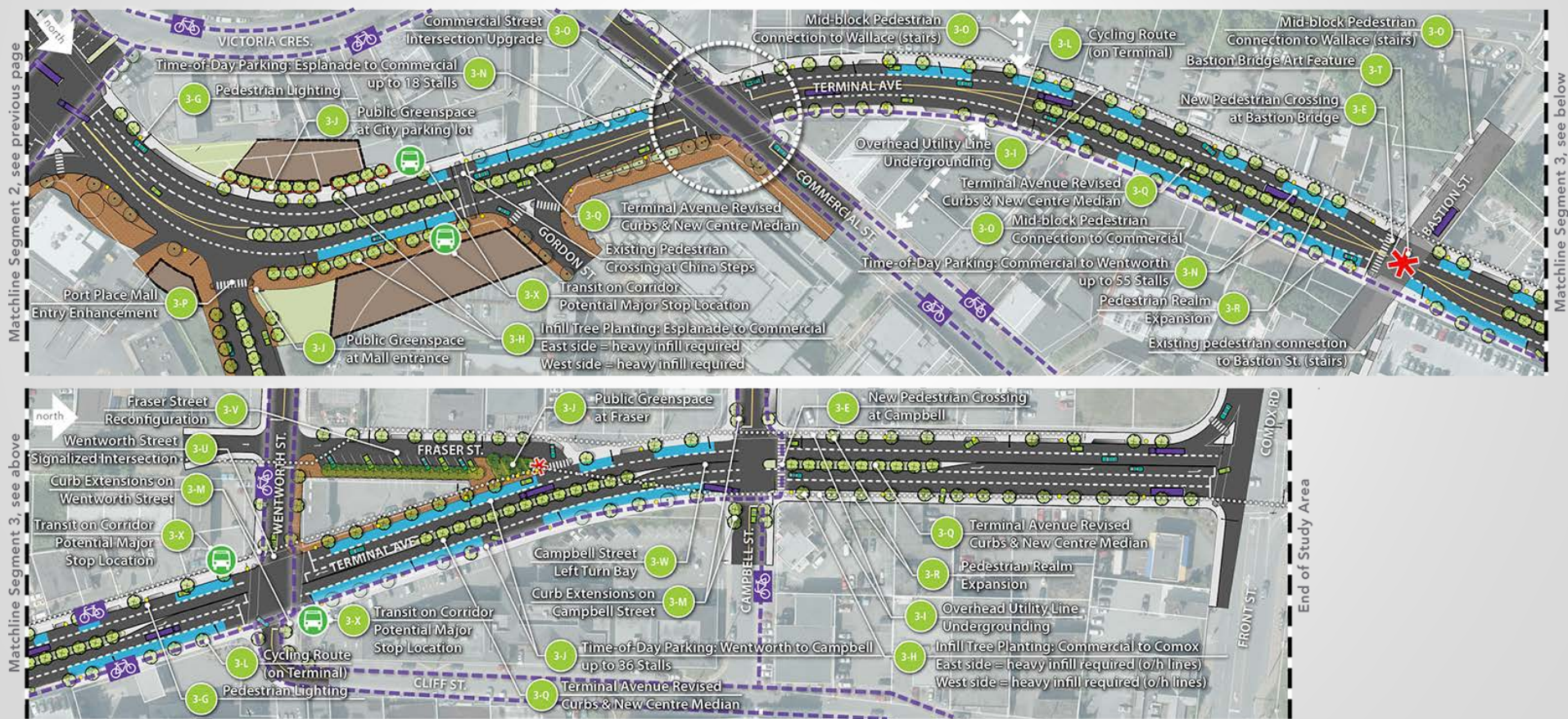
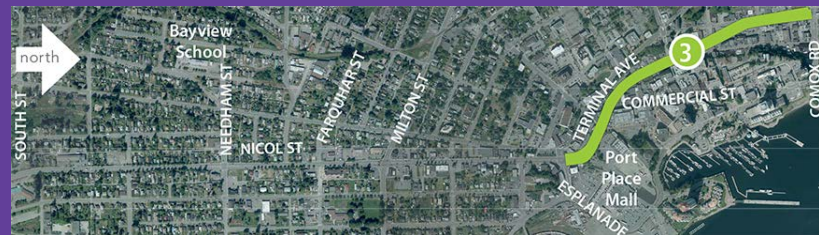


# SEGMENT 2: FARQUHAR TO ESPLANADE





# SEGMENT 3: ESPLANADE TO COMOX/FRONT







# IMPLEMENTATION

HOW COULD COMPONENTS BE COMPLETED?



# IMPLEMENTATION APPROACH

## IMPLEMENTATION PACKAGES

- **Critical Triggers** – What does the component need to be done before?
- **Related Components** – What components should be grouped together for efficiency and greatest benefit?
- **Pre-Requisites** – What components need to be done before the package is complete?
- **Preliminary Budget Estimate** – What is the high-level cost to implement the package?



# RECOMMENDATIONS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

- Direct city staff to undertake **Component A: City Policy, Plans & Bylaw Review**
- Direct city staff to begin discussions with MoTI to prepare terms of reference to complete **Component B: Functional Design**



# THANK YOU!

FOR CONSIDERING A BRIGHT FUTURE FOR TERMINAL NICOL

