Project Overview

The purpose of the Junction Avenue Corridor Study is to evaluate existing and anticipated future conditions of the study area and determine potential near- and long-term improvements.

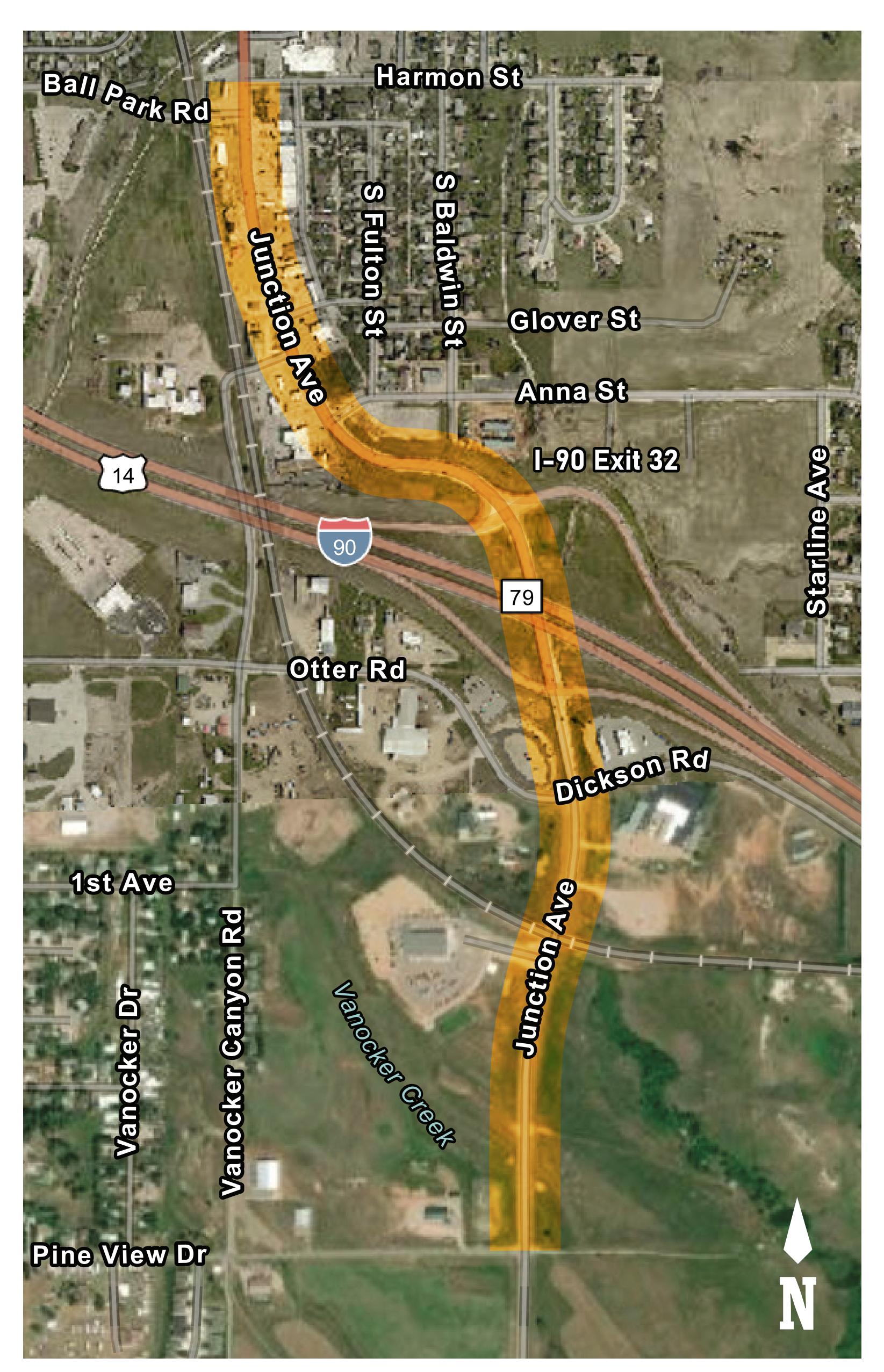
Note: Potential improvements displayed this evening are conceptual and would require further evaluation and design before implementation.

Work on the corridor study began in August 2022, with completion anticipated in July 2023.

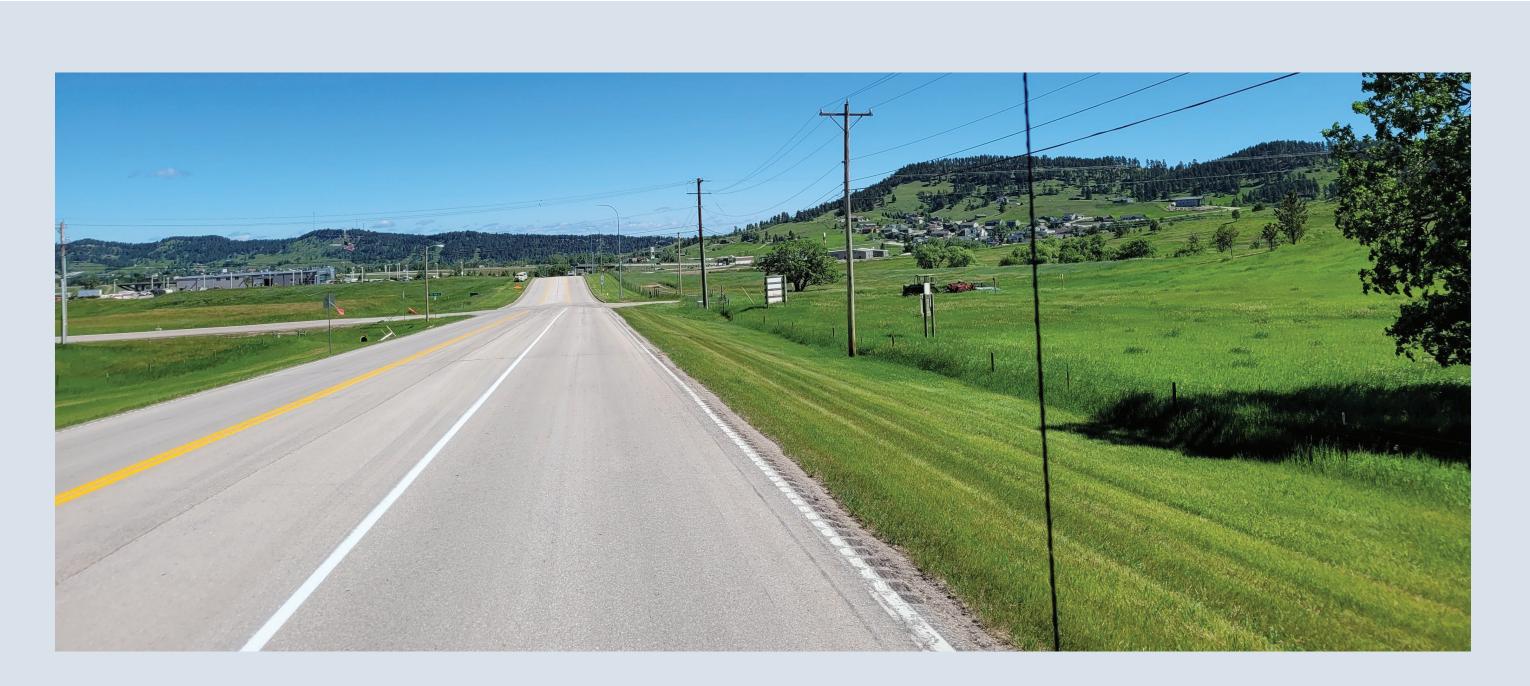
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Study Advisory Team Meetings				
Existing Conditions Analysis & Identification of Needs				
Identification of Solutions				
Concept Development				
Project Implementation Plan				
Recommendations				
Public Involvement				

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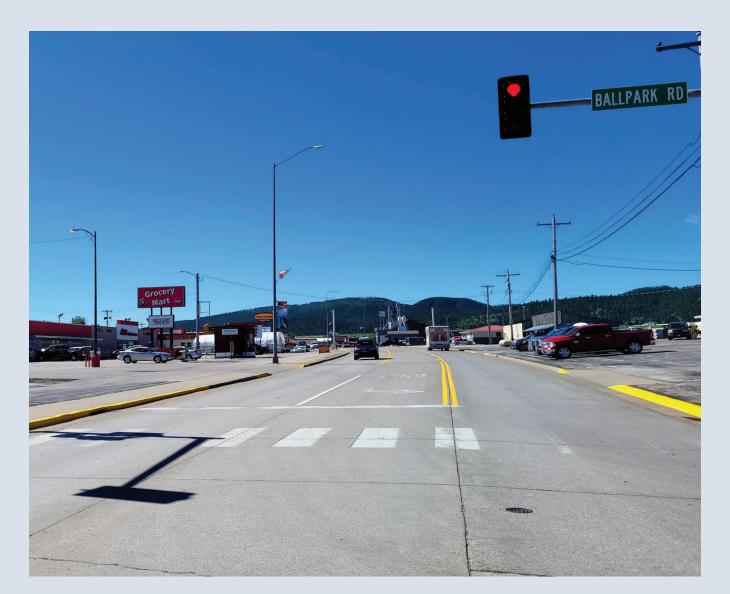




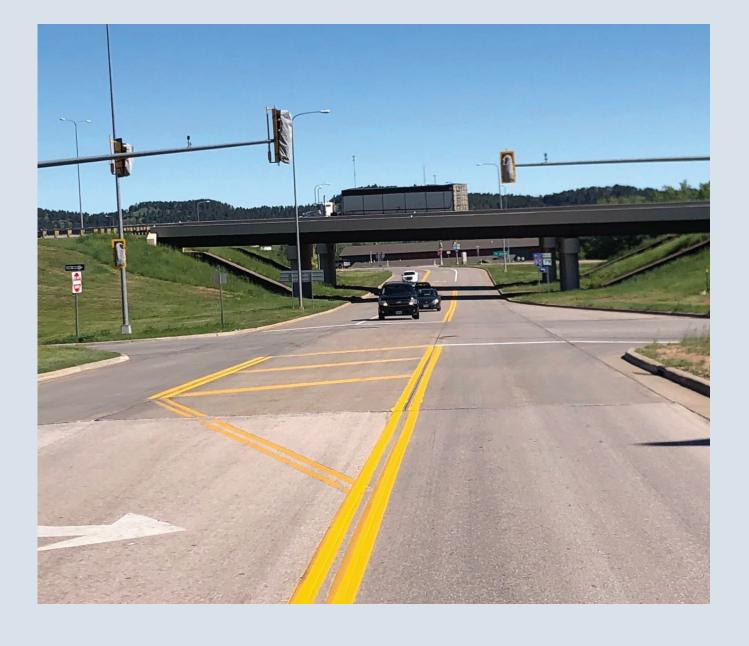
The study area is approximately 1.1 miles in length, beginning at Pineview Drive, south of Interstate 90, and continuing north to Harmon Street.

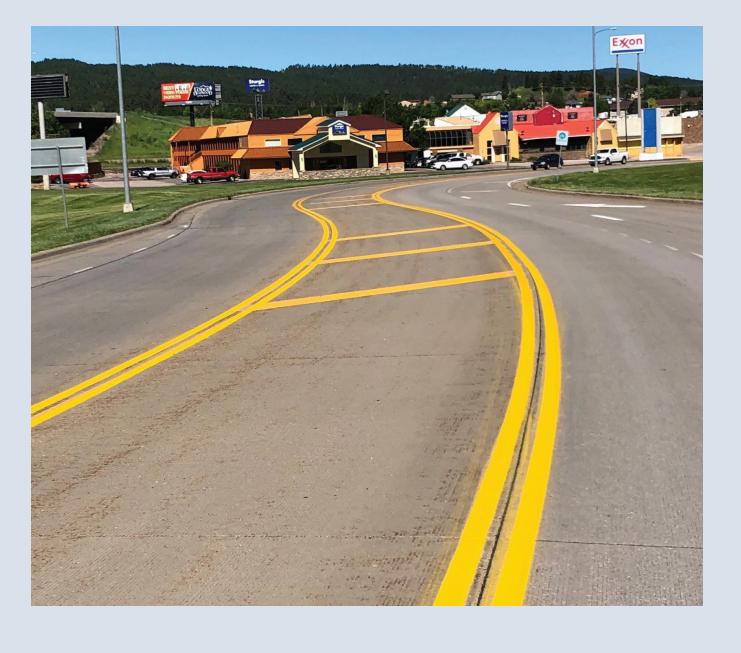












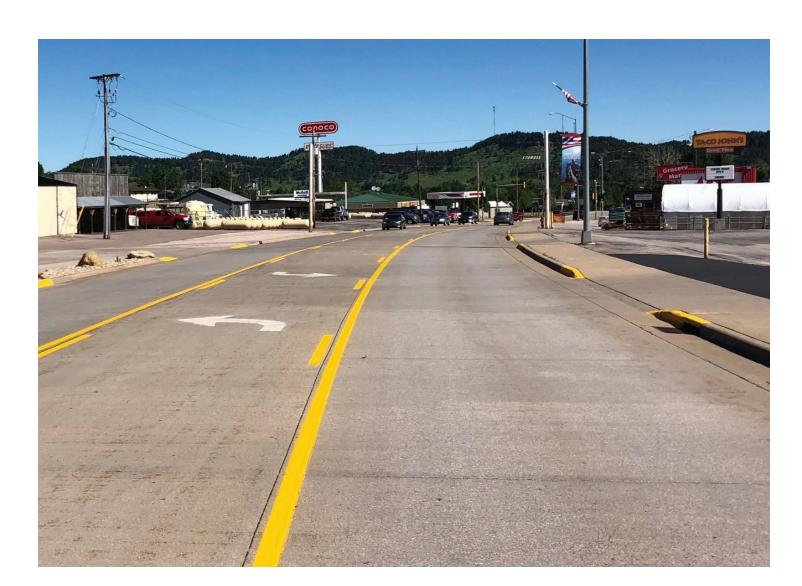


Study Area

Existing Conditions

Technical evaluation and public comment revealed several concerns regarding existing conditions:

- The intersection at Ballpark Road has recurring crashes, though 80% are minor in severity.
- There are gaps, or all-together missing sidewalks/trails.
- Where sidewalk exists, its proximity to the roadway makes it feel unsafe.
- With 20 private driveways, there is a high density of access points between Anna Street and Harmon Street.
- Turning left from, or onto Junction Avenue is sometimes difficult and feels unsafe.
- Two locations where two t-intersections are in close proximity but not aligned east-west. This creates nonstandard turning patterns.
- Visitors parking and walking to Welcome to Sturgis sign creates safety concerns.



Sidewalk adjacent to street



Crosswalk present, no ramp

in-vehicle image of idling in left turn lane

Left turns can feel difficult, unsafe



A popular photo opportunity



Future Conditions

Future growth and development anticipated for this area presents potential operational and safety challenges:

- Future traffic volumes suggest potential operational deficiencies at intersection of Junction Avenue and Anna Street.
- Lack of connectivity to city's existing trail network.
- Need for sidewalk or trail connectivity to the proposed Sturgis Adventure Park.

CORRIDOR FACTS:

- Approximately 1.1 miles
- 9 intersections
- One of two entrances to the city via I-90
- 3 lanes throughout (center turn lane)



Corridor and Aesthetics

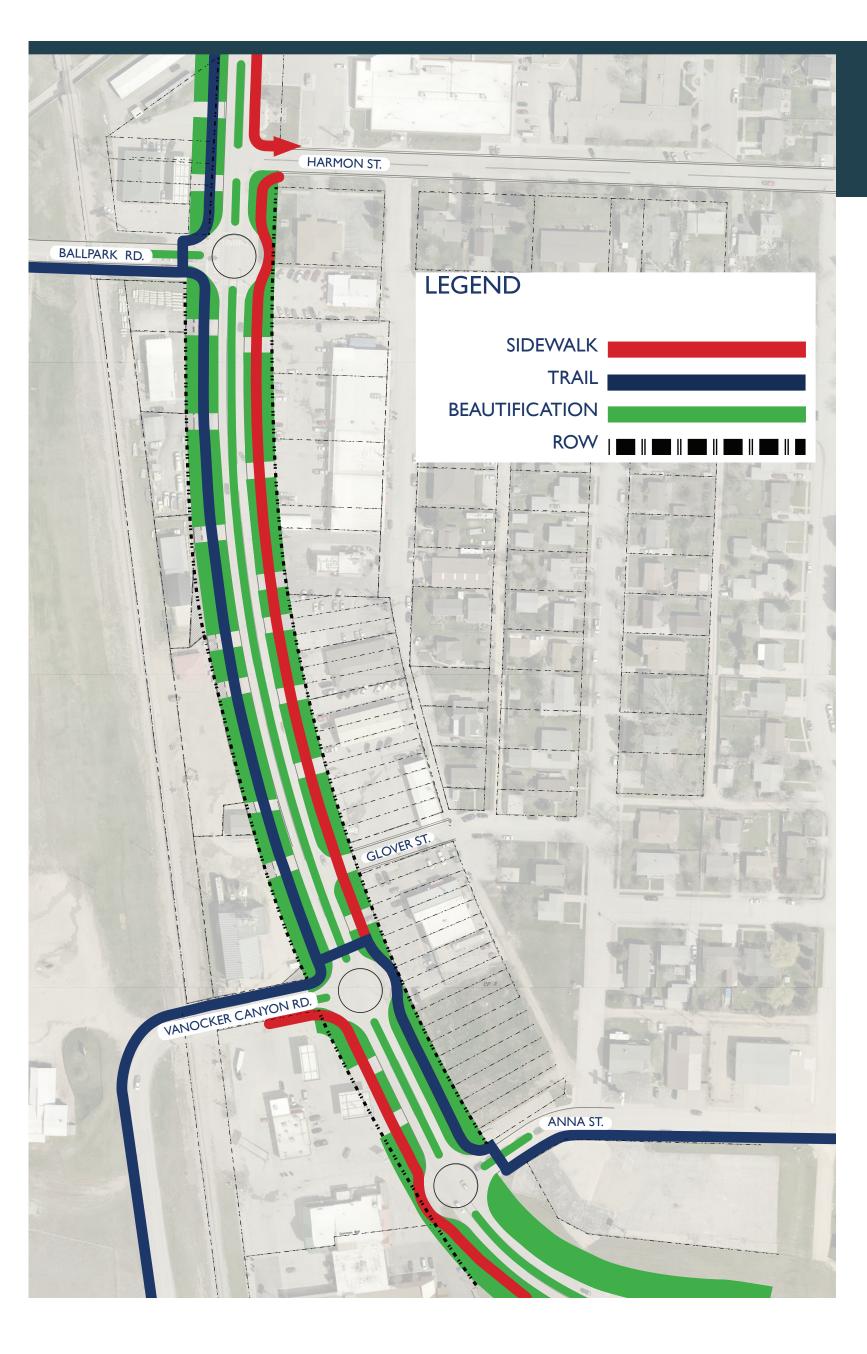
The project team identified two potential street configurations to address:

- Lack of sidewalks, non-accessible sidewalks, limited pedestrian crossings, lack of connectivity to bike paths.
- Concerns related to left-turns throughout corridor, as expressed in public comments.
- High density of private driveways in commerical corridor, which can contribute to abrupt changes in traffic flow.

The conceptual figures to the right depict some consolidation of access points. Additional evaluation for access management would be necessary prior to recommendation or implementation of such changes.

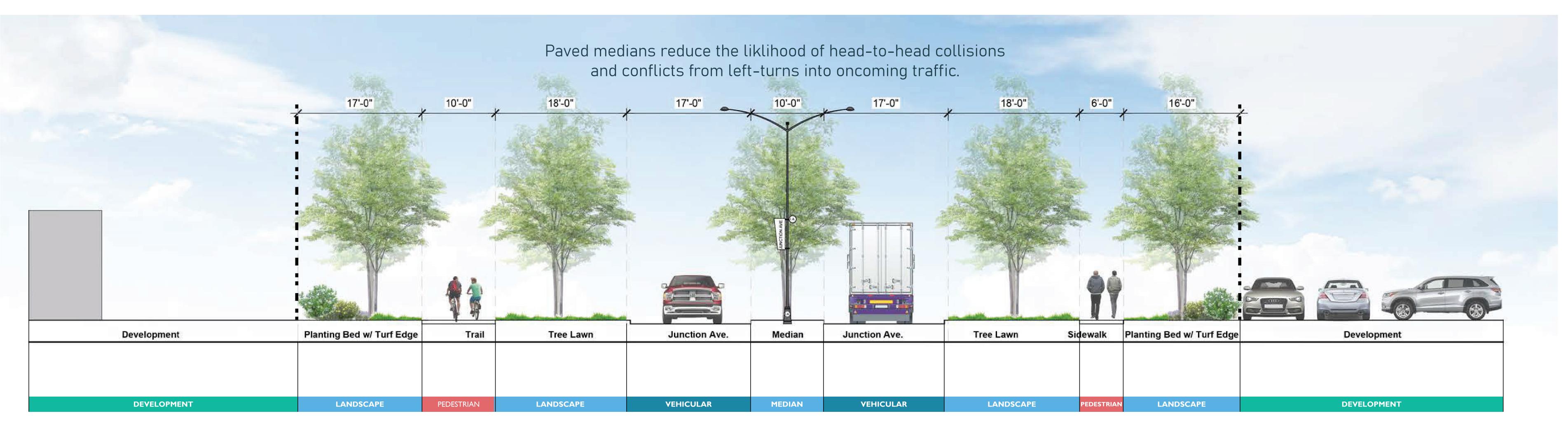
 Opportunities to enhance the look and feel of the corridor including a "gateway" to Sturgis via I-90 Exit 32.

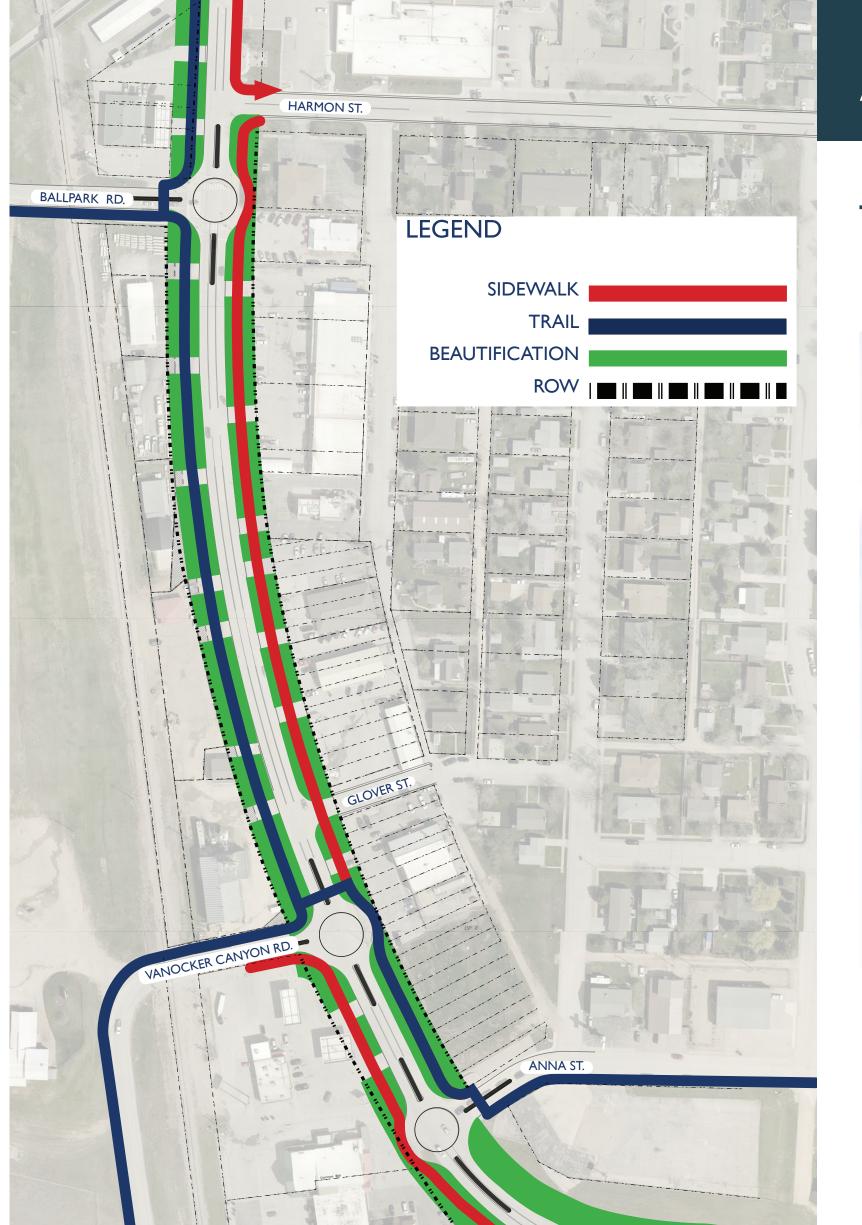
Both alternatives would relocate the Welcome to Sturgis sign to the southeast corner of Junction Avenue & Anna Street.



Alternative 1: Divided Median

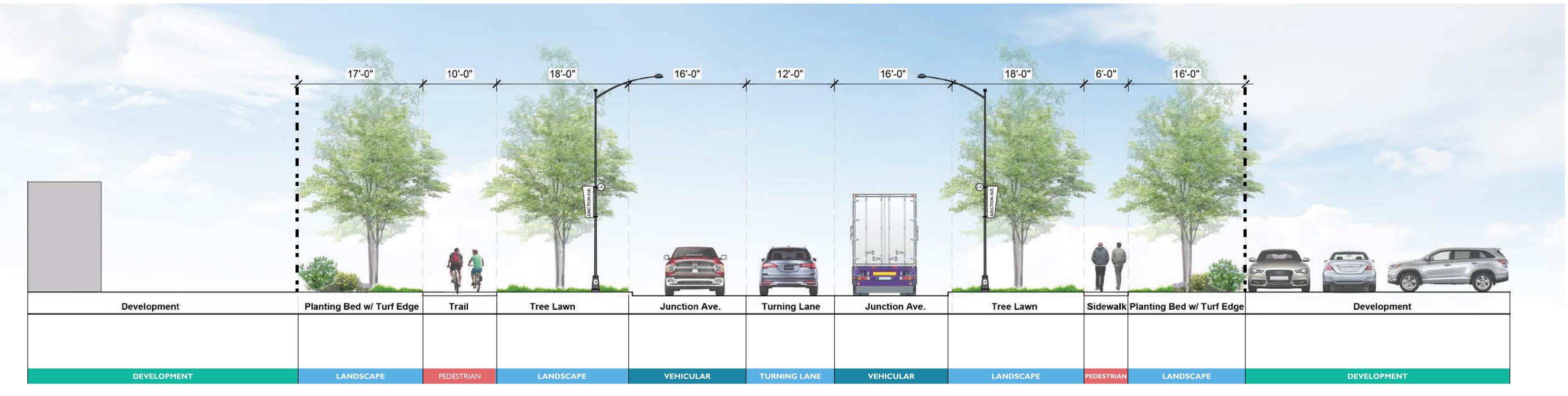
This concept establishes a raised median, reclaims existing right-of-way for streetscaping, establishes consistent pedestrian/bike facilities, and could maintain existing access points.





Alternative 2: Two-Way Left-Turn Lane

between adjoining parcels.



This concept is similar to the current configuration, but would also reclaim existing right-of-way for streetscaping, establish consistent pedestrian/bike facilities, but consolidate access points



Intersections of Ballpark Road and Harmon Street

The project team identified six alternatives to address:

- Recurring crashes at Ballpark Road intersection.
- Non-standard turning pattern resulting from the close proximity of Ballpark Road and Harmon Street intersections.
- Delays of Harmon Street traffic accessing southbound Junction Avenue.

Three alternatives were eliminated from consideration due to significant property impacts.

Three alternatives advanced to further evaluation, as summarized to the right:

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Intersections of Anna Street and Vanocker Canyon Road

The project team identified seven alternatives to address:

- Future operational deficiencies at Anna Street based on future volumes.
- Non-standard turning pattern resulting from the close proximity of Anna Street and Vanocker Canyon intersections.

All seven alternatives advanced to further evaluation, as summarized to the right:



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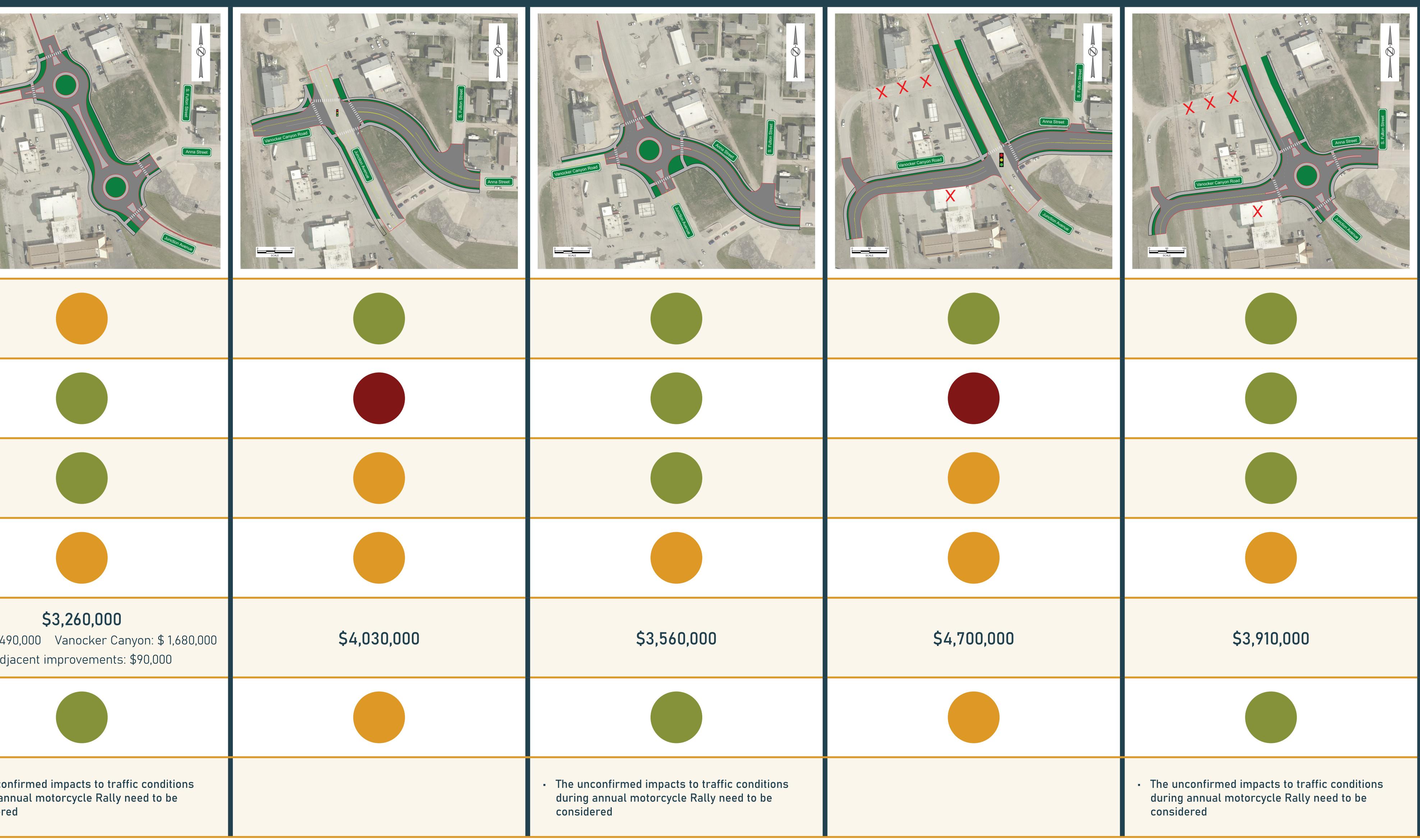
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Bike Paths

There are seven trail segments that would enhance pedestrian and bicycle connectivity.

A rectangular rapid flashing beacon (RRFB) is proposed for all trail-street crossings.

			Connectivity			
Trail	Approx. Length (Linear Feet)	Estimated Cost	Connects Junction Ave to Existing Trail Network	Provides Trail Access to area south of I-90	East-West Trail South of I-90	Provides Access to Sturgis Adventure Park
Junction Avenue Trail	4,177	\$1,310,000				
Vanocker Canyon Road Trail	1,745	\$550,000				
Anna Street Trail	2,192	\$690,000				
Dickson Drive Trail	1,820	\$580,000				
Railroad Trail	1,980	\$1,200,000				
Vanocker Canyon to Junction Trail	1,900	\$1,110,000				
Pineview Trail	1,320	\$420,000				

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• The Junction Avenue Trail would likely be constructed in phases, with Anna Street being a natural phase break. Portions of the Anna Street Trail are already being constructed as part of ongoing development activity. The Sturgis community could prioritize one or two of the four potential east-west trails south of I-90.

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