

185TH STREET

Multimodal Corridor Strategy

Frequently Asked Questions

Fall 2018

Shoreline is growing, and light rail is coming in 2024. To meet the needs of tomorrow, we need to start planning today. The City needs your help to envision a corridor that will be safe for pedestrians and bicyclists; support bus and light rail service; address traffic flow; create gathering spaces; and encourage neighborhood businesses.

What do we mean by a “Multimodal Corridor Strategy?”

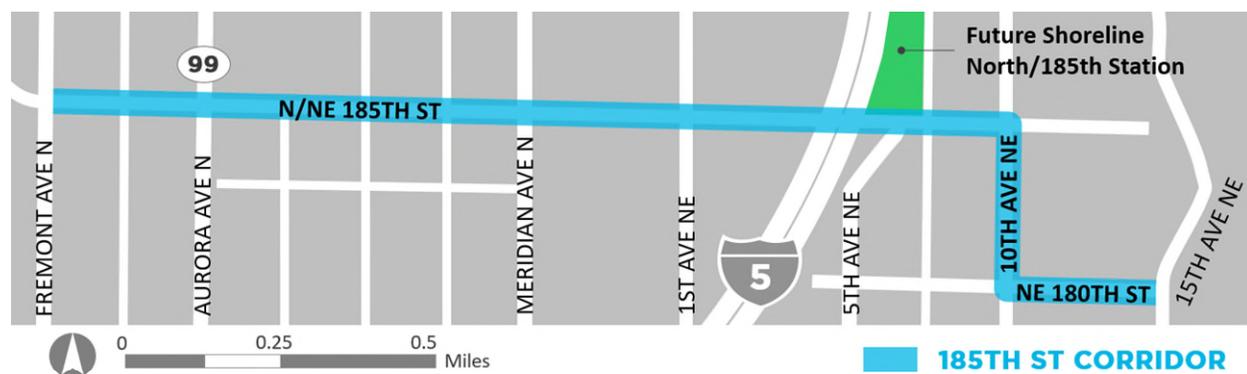
The City is working to create a vision for the 185th Street Corridor that is future-focused and considers the needs of **multiple transportation modes** including drivers, pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit riders.

The **Corridor** should effectively connect Shoreline’s northern neighborhoods to one another and to the future Shoreline North/185th Station.

The Corridor **Strategy** process will culminate in a plan for the 185th Street Corridor to guide how future developments, both public and private, will relate to the 185th Street Corridor and ensure that it is developed in a cohesive way.

Where is the 185th Street Corridor?

The 185th Street Corridor is anchored by the future light rail station at Interstate-5. The Corridor is created by three roads: N/NE 185th Street, 10th Avenue NE, and NE 180th Street. The “Z” shaped Corridor connects the Aurora Corridor, the future Shoreline North/185th Station, and the North City neighborhood.



How did you define the boundaries of the 185th Street Corridor?

The “Connecting Corridors” concept was developed through the 185th Street Station Subarea Plan community workshops with the intent to better connect Town Center, Aurora Avenue, the future light rail station, and the North City neighborhood.

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How will nearby streets and open spaces be addressed in this process?

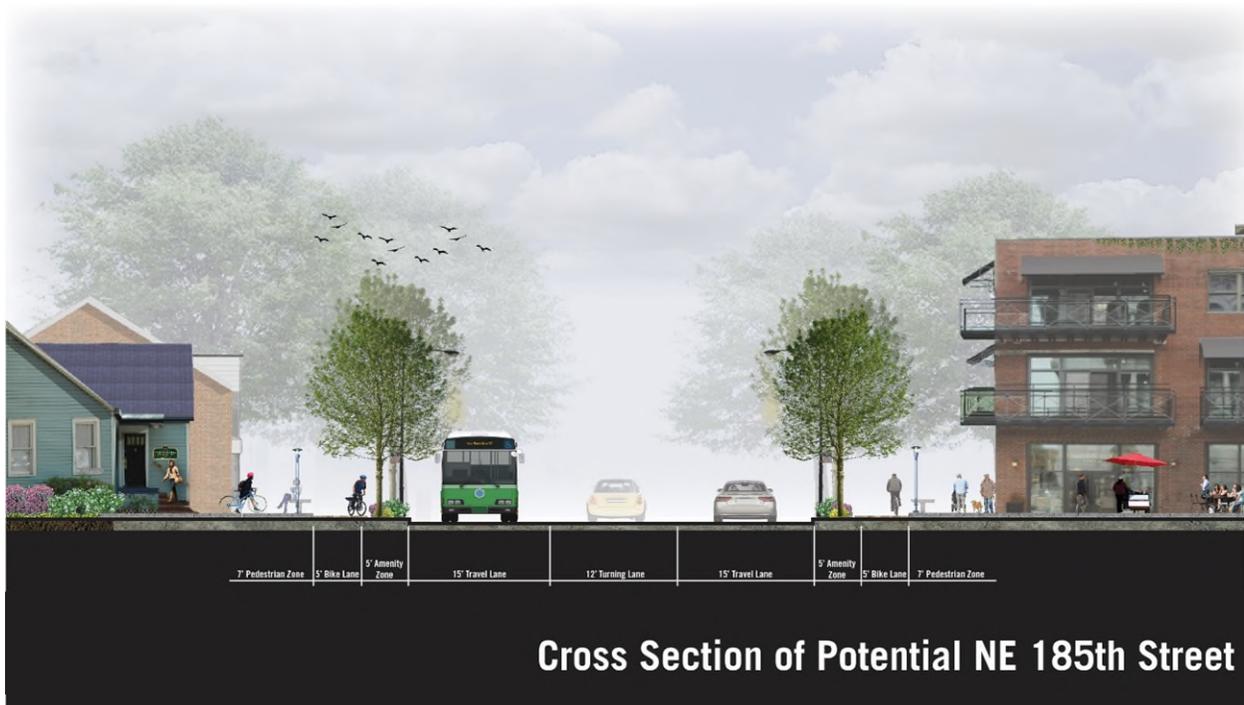
The 185th Street Corridor will be developed in relationship to its surrounding street network and open spaces. We will identify opportunities for better multimodal connections and enhanced open spaces within the Corridor's local vicinity. Ideas that are gathered for improvements beyond the Corridor's boundaries will be coordinated with the Master Street Plan Update and future capital improvement projects.

How will the Corridor be designed?

The 185th Street Corridor has distinct characteristics throughout. No "One Size Fits All" design can work along the entire Corridor for all modes of transportation or land uses, so we will study the Corridor in segments. We will consider what makes each segment unique and plan the right improvements to support local needs and make the overall Corridor work for everyone.

How are we building on past work?

The 185th Street Station Subarea Plan looked at how the future light rail station and nearby redevelopment could affect traffic. To perform this analysis, the City developed one potential cross-section to accommodate all transportation users (below). However, this is just one example and was never intended to be the final concept.



Through this current process, the City and community will create additional options and compare them against each other in order to select the optimal concept for each segment of the Corridor.

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What about the street trees?

No decisions have been made about street trees. There are a number of considerations and options that will be discussed throughout development of the Corridor Strategy. For existing trees, we must consider their impact on sidewalks because in some areas their roots have buckled and cracked the sidewalk so that it is no longer accessible for many Shoreline residents. We will also consider their age and health, including damage done by decades of pruning because of interference with power lines. Where possible, we will consider creative solutions to preserve existing trees as we have in the past. Any new street trees will be selected with a “right tree in the right place” approach that includes protections for roots and sidewalks. Impacts to existing street trees will be specifically considered as the community evaluates different design options during spring workshops.

How long is this study expected to take?

The 185th Street Multimodal Corridor Strategy is expected to continue through fall 2019:



How will the Corridor Strategy be implemented?

Changes to the 185th Street Corridor will happen incrementally over time. Currently, there is no designated funding for City capital improvements to the Corridor. However, the Corridor Strategy will serve as a guide to ensure that future public and private projects contribute to a cohesive vision and it will help the City seek future grant opportunities.

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