

City of San Antonio



AGENDA PACKET

Transportation and Infrastructure Committee

City Hall Complex
San Antonio, Texas 78205

Tuesday, October 17, 2023

1:30 PM

City Hall

The Transportation and Infrastructure Committee will hold its regular meeting in the Council Briefing Room, City Hall beginning at 1:30 PM. Once convened, the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee will take up the following items no sooner than the designated times.

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Once a quorum is established, the shall consider the following:

2. Briefing by VIA Metropolitan Transit on the status and schedule of current VIA transit projects. [Roderick Sanchez, Assistant City Manager; Catherine Hernandez, Interim Director, Transportation Department]

At any time during the meeting, the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee may meet in executive session for consultation with the City Attorney's Office concerning attorney client matters under Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

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Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Members

John Courage, Dist. 9, Chair

Dr. Sukh Kaur, Dist. 1 | Jalen McKee-Rodriguez, Dist. 2

Melissa Cabello Havrda, Dist. 6 | Marina Gavito, Dist. 7

*** Other members of City Council may attend to observe, but not vote, on matters before the Committee.**

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Projects Update

City of San Antonio

Transportation & Infrastructure
Committee

October 17, 2023

In today's presentation

☐ Advanced Rapid Transit

VIA Rapid Green Line Update

VIA Rapid Silver Line Update

☐ Better Bus Plan

☐ VIA Link

☐ Transit-Oriented Development Grant

☐ Thriving Communities Grant

Elsmere Pl
Mulberry Ave
Woodlawn Ave

San Pedro Ave

Ashe St

VIA Metro Center

Cypress St

Marshall St

Augusta St

Martin St

Centro Plaza

VIA
RAPID

GREEN LINE



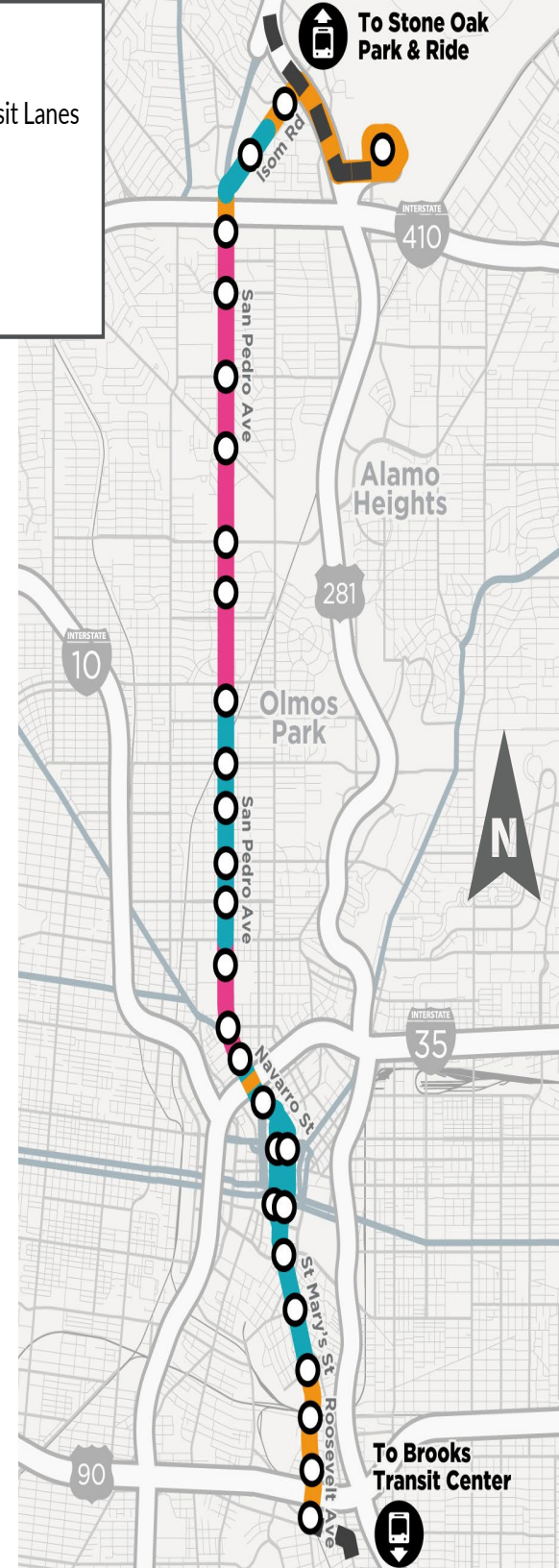
Port & Ride

Rampson TC

Pereida St

Green Line Project Details

- Center Running Lanes
- Business Access/Transit Lanes
- Mixed Traffic Lanes
- Connecting Service
- Stations



Construction Limits:
US 281 to
Steves Avenue



Service Connections:
Stone Oak P&R
and Brooks TC



Length:
10.35 miles
total
(construction
limits)



Stations:
26 new stations
(41 platforms +
2 local stops)



Vehicles:
17 new
articulated
low/no-
emission
vehicles



Frequency:
10-minute on
weekdays and
15-minute on
weekends



Transit Lanes:
Center Running,
Business Access
and Transit Lanes,
Mixed Traffic



Cost:
\$446.3M
YOE*

*Cost Estimate Current as of July 2023

Building a Better Environment



4 miles of new and repaired sidewalks



66 upgraded traffic signals



20+ intersection improvements



79 new drainage improvements



Landscaping at station locations



47 lane miles of surface improvements



11 miles of complete pavement reconstruction

Traffic and Safety Improvements

Supporting the Vision Zero Goal



Adds sidewalks for safe station access and eliminates sidewalk gaps



Improves pedestrian crossing conditions



Improves traffic signal timing for all users



Adds infrastructure improvements in high injury areas including managing turns along the corridor

VIA RAPID GREEN LINE

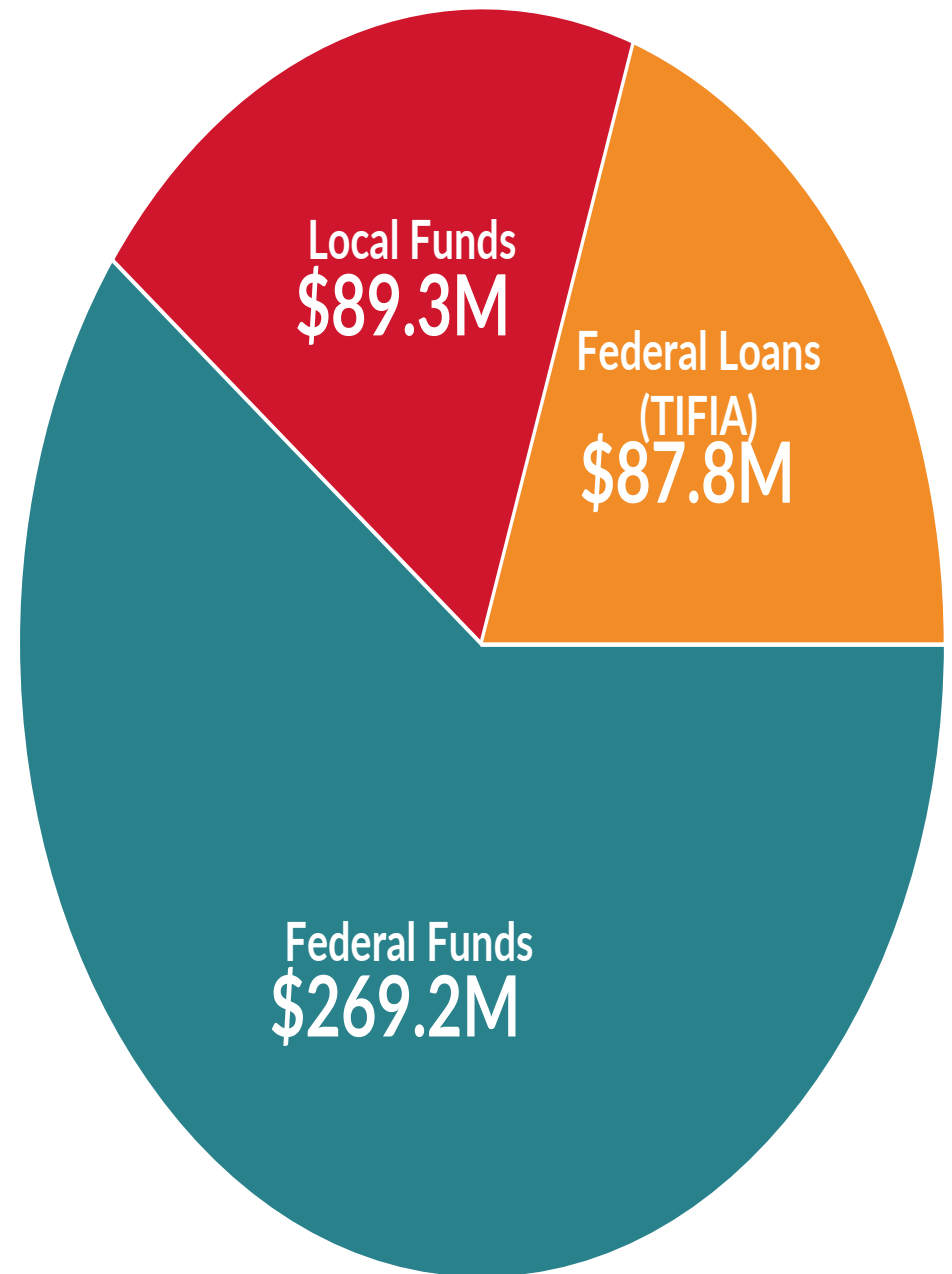
\$446.3M*

Project Costs (YOE)

Project cost updated to reflect FTA workshop recommendations for budget contingency.

Capital Investment Grants request for 60% federal share.

**includes \$23.3M in financing charges and \$32.2M in unallocated contingency.*



VIA RAPID GREEN LINE

Engagement activities on horizon

Continue to brief elected officials

Follow up with residents and business owners

Pre-construction communication and strategy

Stakeholder and neighborhood meetings are ongoing.

VIA Rapid Green Line

2023 Highlights

**Received NEPA
Clearance**

May 2023

**30% Design
Completed**

Submitted project
management plan
and sub plans to
FTA

**Conducted FTA
Risk Workshop**

June 2023

**FTA Risk
Assessment**

**Technical and
Financial ILA
Approval**

By CoSA City
Council

**FTA/PMOC
Approval**

Green Line Schedule

CALENDAR YEARS

2022

2023

2024

2025

2026

2027

2028

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

PROJECT DEFINITION AND DEVELOPMENT

FINAL DESIGN

CONSTRUCTION

SCHEDULE CONTINGENCY

OPEN TO SERVICE

Approved Interlocal Agreement (ILA)

Driver Training

Startup & Testing

NEPA
Decision

Utility
Relocations

Entry into FTA
Engineering

FTA Grant Award

Targeted Opening Day
(Aug 2027)

Revenue
Service Date
(April 2028)

WE ARE HERE



VIA RAPID

PROPOSED SILVER LINE

VIA Metro
Center

Ellis Alley
Park & Ride

St. Paul
Square

Centro Plaza

Buena Vista St

Market

Houston St

To Eastside
Mobility Hub

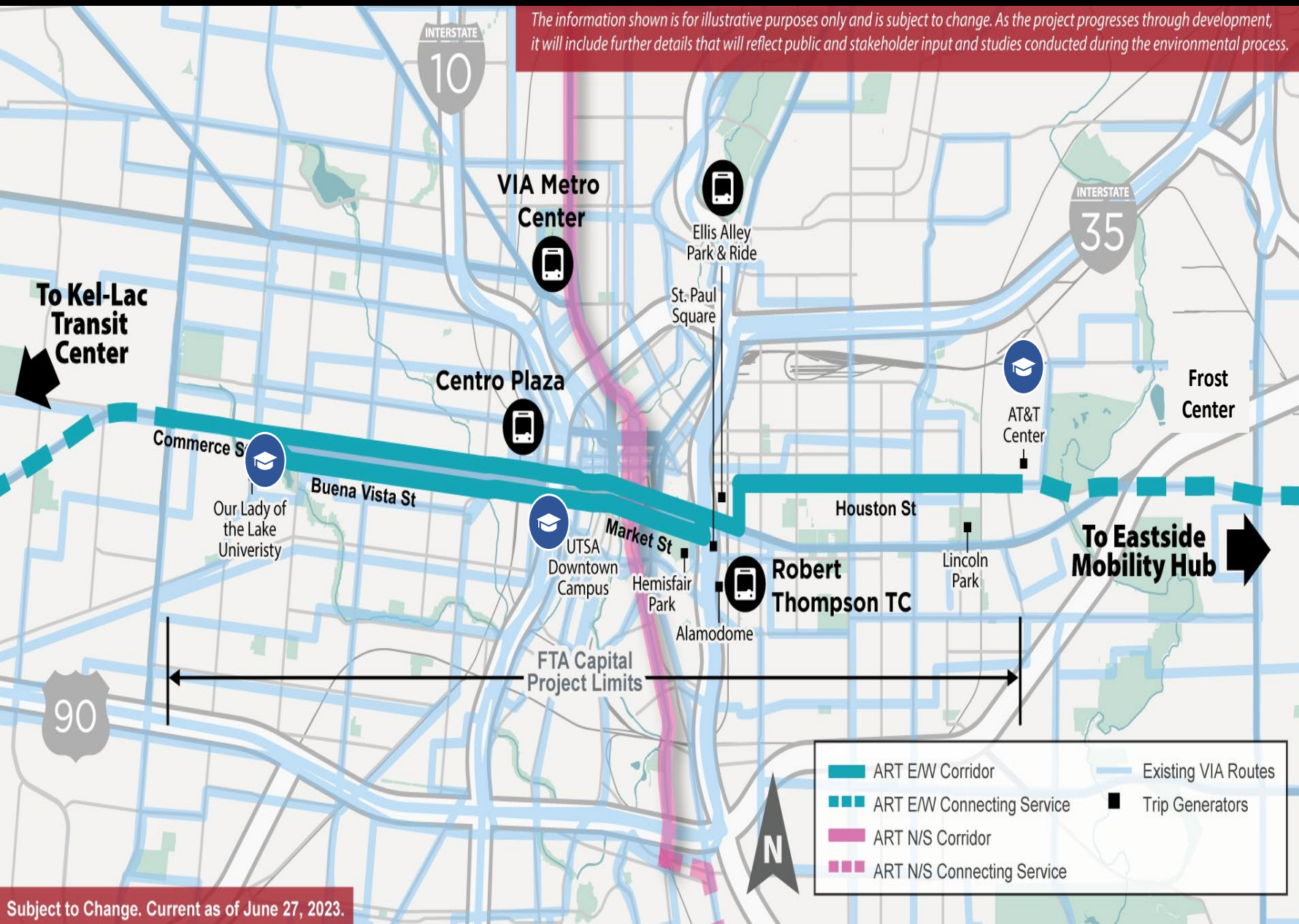


ART E/W Corridor

Existing

Proposed VIA Rapid Silver Line

Connecting residential, employment, education and cultural centers



Silver Line Project Details



Length:
7.3 miles



Stations:
18 new stations



**Transit Signal
Priority**



Continuing Service:
Kel-Lac Transit Center
(TC) to Eastside
Mobility Hub



Cost:
\$289.2M
YOE*



Service Connections:
Centro Plaza & Robert
Thompson Transit
Center

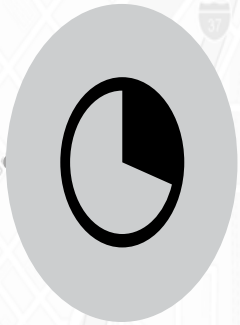


**Off-board Fare
Collection
Dedicated Lanes**

Local funding gap still exists after Project Development

* Costs as submitted to FTA August 2023 (Under Review)

Silver Line Project Status



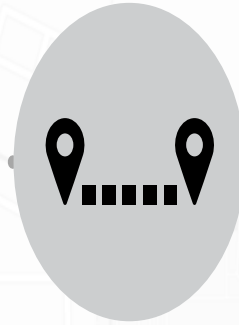
- Accepted into FTA Project Development (October 2022)
- **Received \$8.1M Project Development Grant from FTA***
- Toured corridor with FTA and USDOT
- **Submitted FTA Ratings Package (August 2023)**



- Preliminary Engineering and NEPA task development
- Established project controls and design standards



- Prepared draft stakeholder list
- Coordinated with COSA and AAMPO on data needs
- Confirmed outreach approach and plan



- Developing draft station layouts
- Developing concept roll plots
- Survey and base mapping

**Funding is contingent on specific conditions being met and is limited to Project Development activities. Funding source is from prior Year appropriated CIG and Expedited Project Delivery Pilot Program funds.*

VIA RAPID SILVER LINE

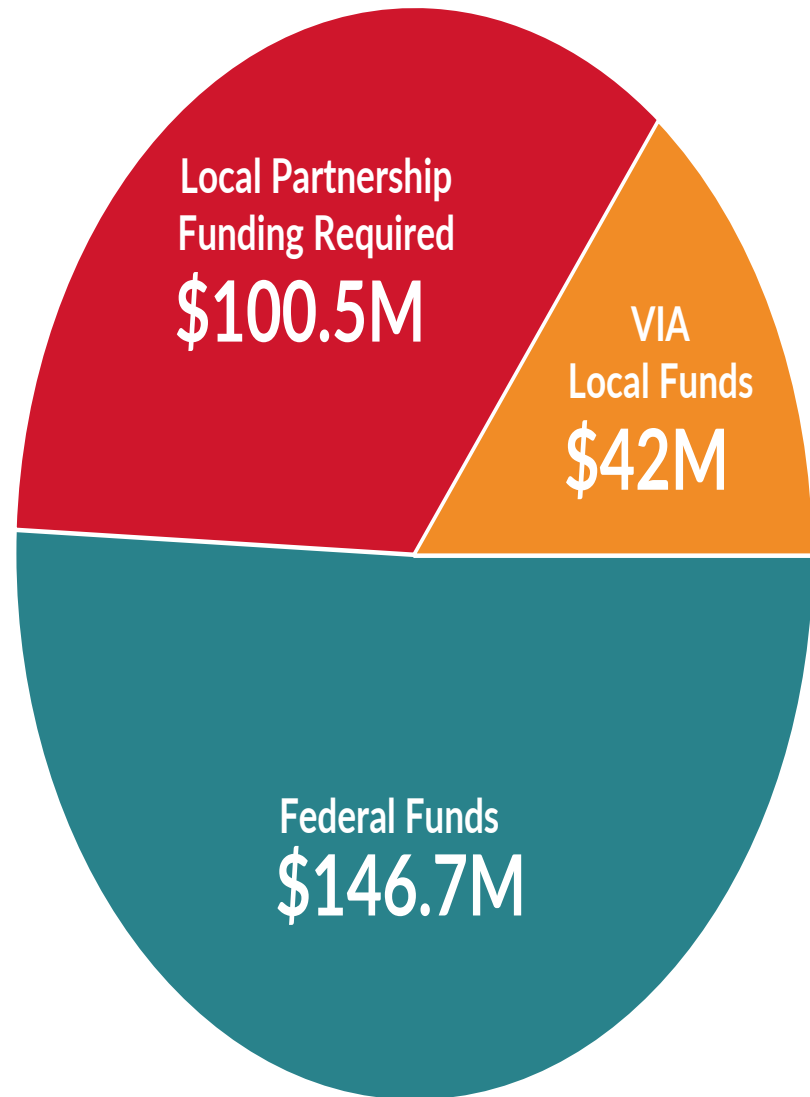
\$289.2M

Project Costs (YOE)

FTA recommended an allocation of \$8.1M from FY 2024 Small Starts funds for eligible project development activities.

Project currently has \$100.5M funding gap that requires local partnership.

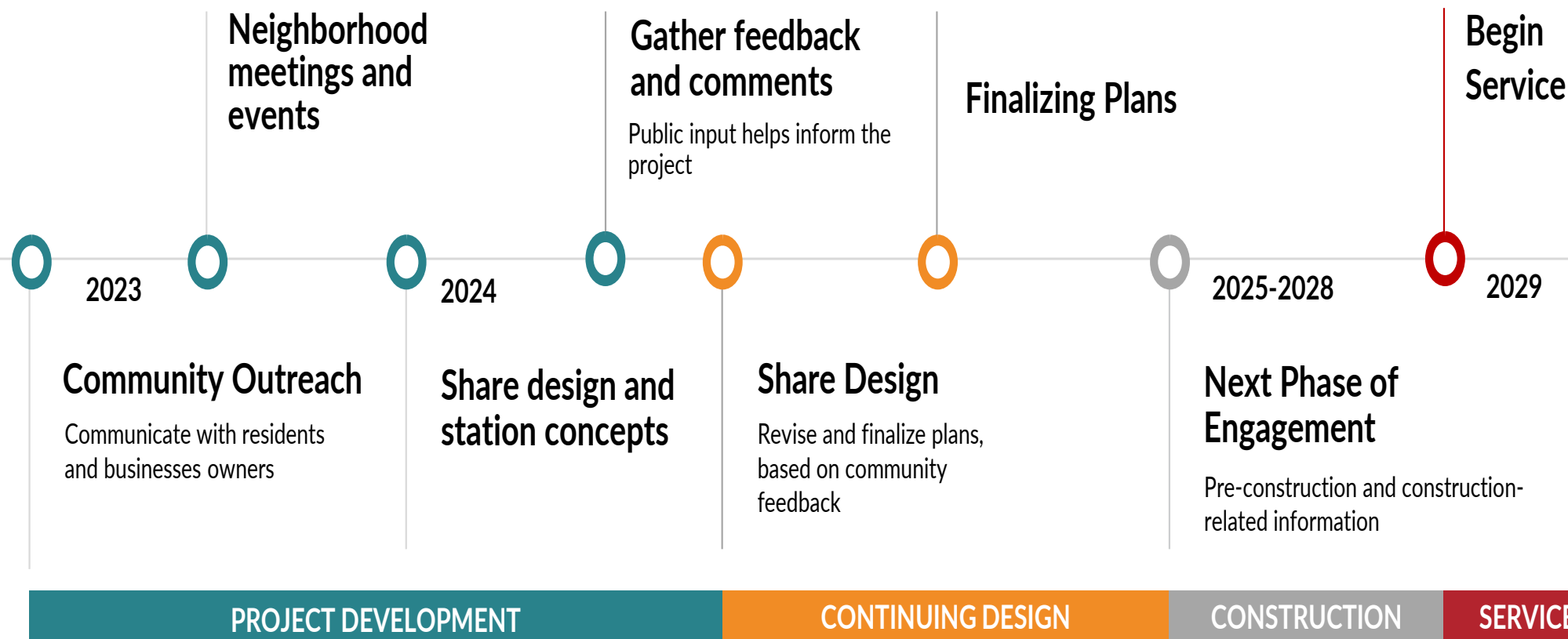
Capital Investment Grants request for 49.4% federal share.



If successful, VIA stands to gain approximately \$410M worth of investment from the FTA Capital Investment Grants Program.

VIA RAPID SILVER LINE

Keeping the community engaged



VIA RAPID SILVER LINE

Engagement activities

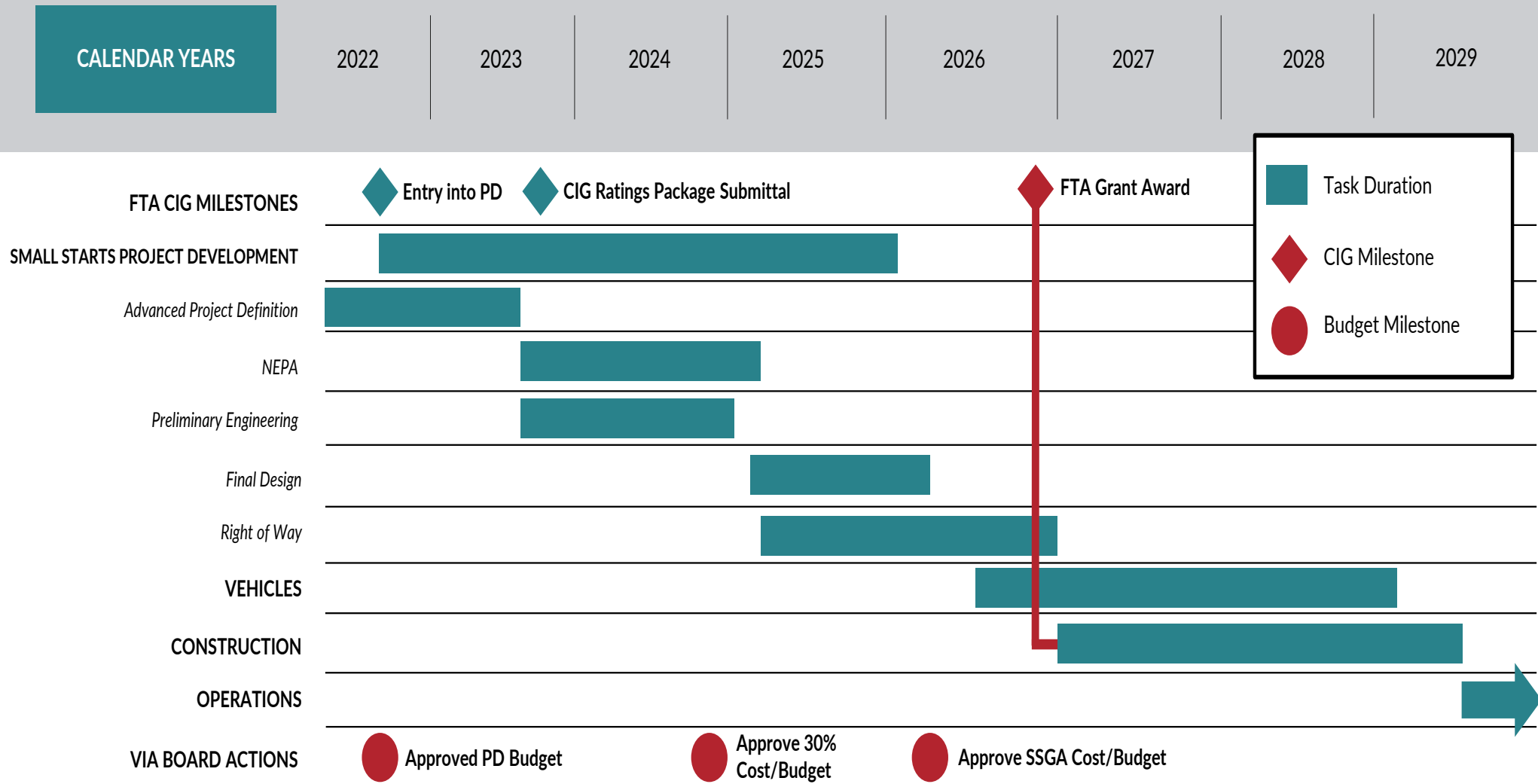
Meet with CoSA to review corridor design

Begin discussions with COSA on ILA outline

Continue briefing stakeholders and elected officials

Prepare for early project risk assessment with CoSA

Silver Line Project Schedule*



*Schedule is currently based on a Design-Bid-Build delivery method and is tentative based on the availability of funding and is subject to change. Small Starts Project Development (PD) includes PE, NEPA and Final Design with no time limit.



IMPROVING THE SYSTEM

Better Bus Plan

IMPROVING THE SYSTEM

Transit network evaluation to inform Better Bus Plan

Establish goals and objectives

Establish preliminary priorities

Comprehensive evaluation of VIA service

Engagement activities will be occurring regularly beginning Fall 2023



EXPANDING MOBILITY OPTIONS

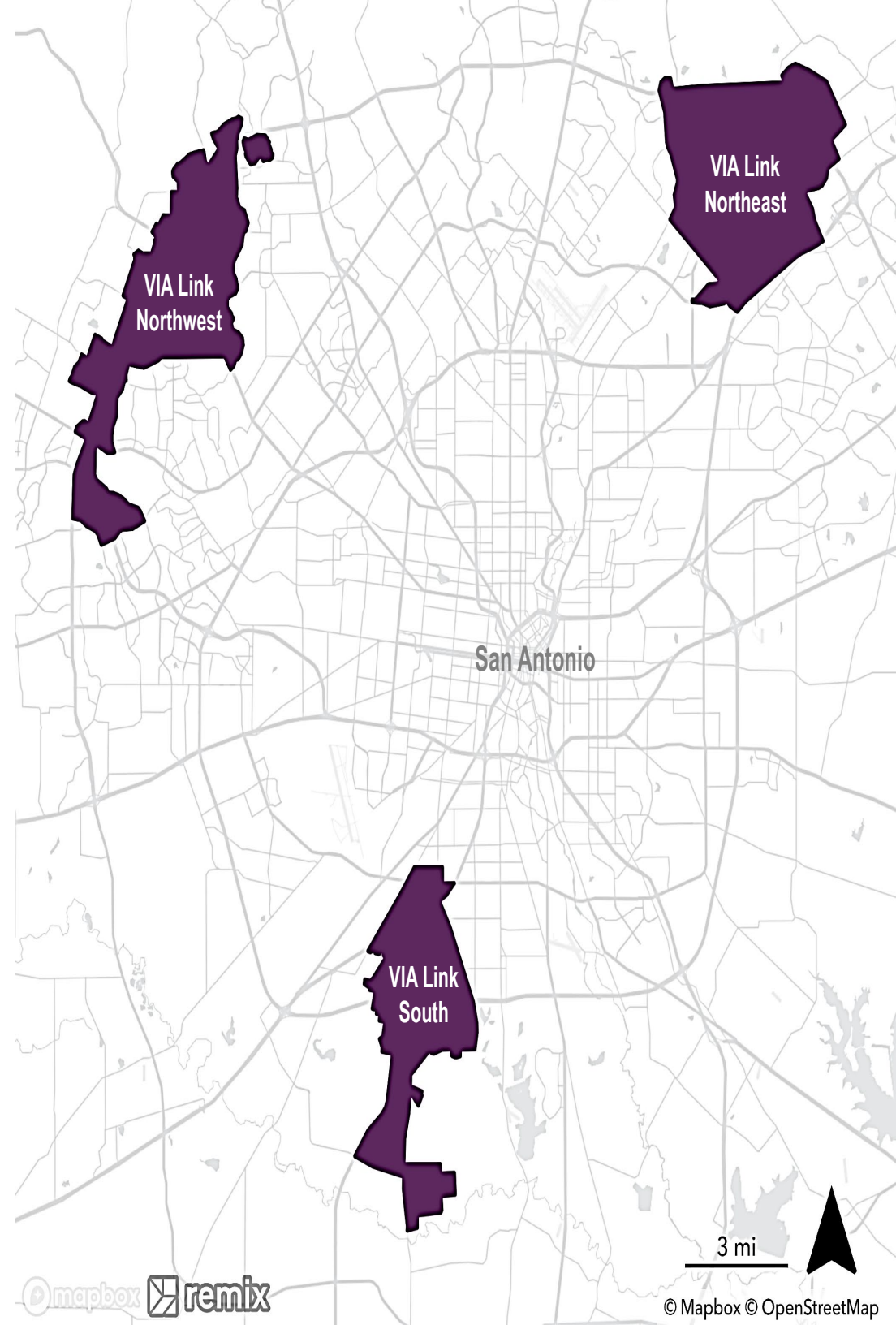
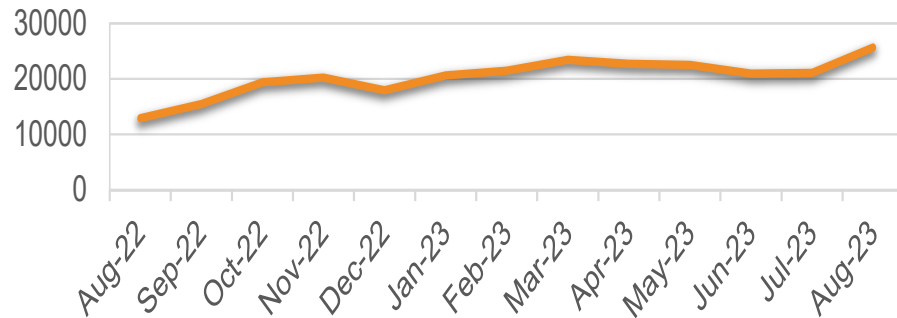
VIA Link

Active VIA Link Zones

Travel anywhere within a single zone

- ❑ 12.5 to 18.5 square miles of coverage
- ❑ Average wait time of 8 to 10 minutes
- ❑ Operating from 5:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.

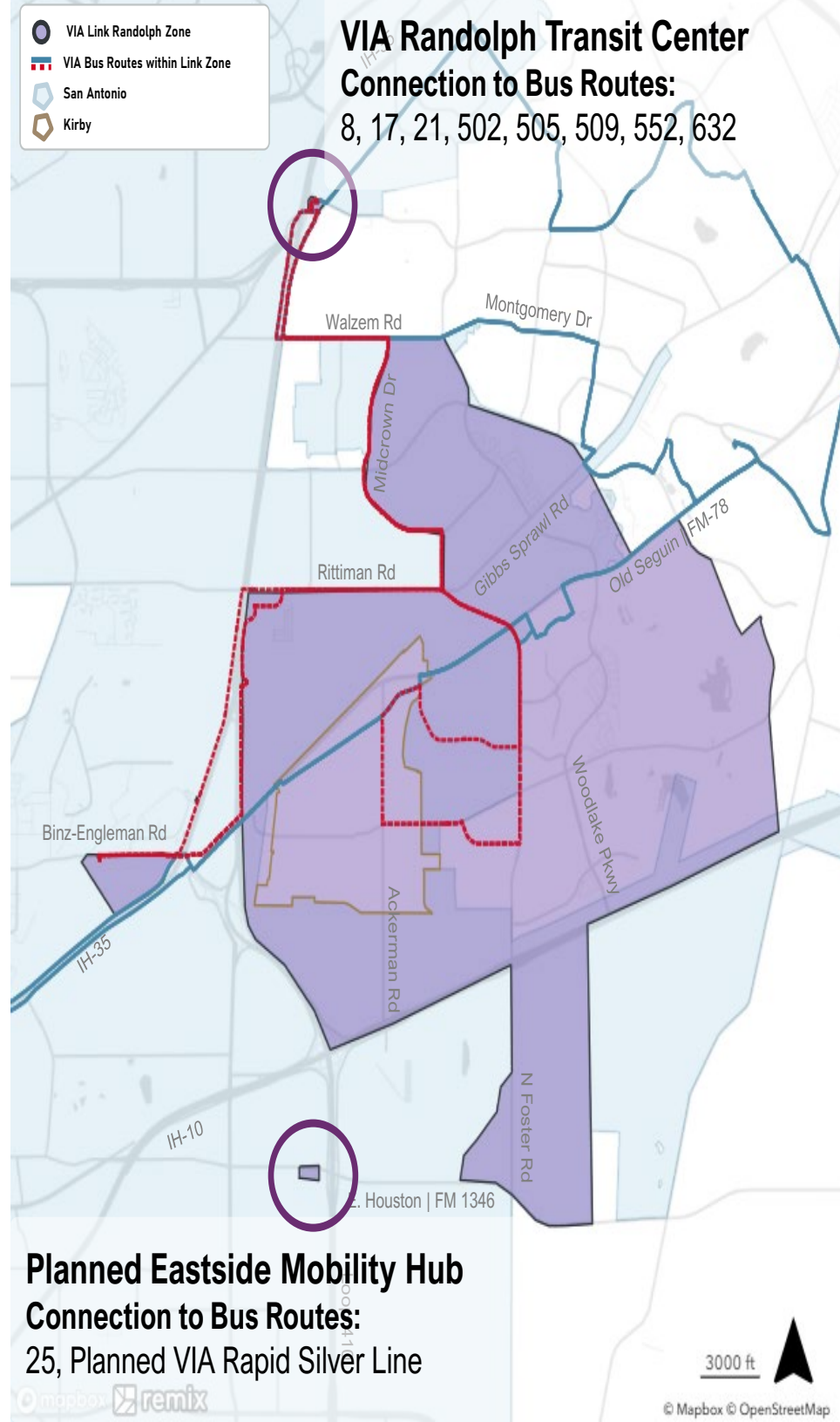
VIA Link Ridership
All Active Zones



COMING SOON

Randolph Zone

- ❑ Launching October 23, 2023
- ❑ 18 square miles of coverage
- ❑ 15-minute estimated wait time
- ❑ 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. hours of operation
- ❑ Estimated 15,600 monthly ridership



A black and white photograph showing the lower legs and feet of several people walking across a crosswalk. The crosswalk has white stripes on a dark asphalt surface. The people are wearing coats and trousers, suggesting a cooler climate.

Next Steps

- ❑ Continued Green Line engagement activities

- ❑ Silver Line engagement activities

Public Meetings in early 2024

- ❑ Better Bus Plan engagement activities

- ❑ Return to the Transportation & Infrastructure Committee in early 2024

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