



Welcome!

Iowa City Gateway

Pre Design Meeting
February 25, 2014



Project Need

Address following issues:

- Historic floods
- Seasonal flooding
- Infrastructure replacement





Steps to Completion





Federal Approval

- Received finding of Conditional No Effect, summer 2012
- Affirmed by independent evaluation, summer 2013
- Iowa City Historic Preservation Commission confirmed support, fall 2013
- Received FHWA Finding of No Significant Impact, December 2013



City Council Involvement

- September 17, 2013 – Work Session
- October 1, 2013 – Work Session and Formal Meeting
- January 21, 2014 – Work Session and Formal Meeting

Design Parameters set:

- Level of protection for Dubuque Street – 100'+1'
- Backwater reduction goal (Elevation of Park Road Bridge) - Low Steel at 200 year event +1'
- Bridge Type - Through Arch Bridge



City Council Direction

Conceptual Design Elements shown on roll plots

- Dubuque Street – 100-year flood + 1 foot elevation
- Park Road Bridge – 200-year flood + 1 foot elevation (lowest point on the bridge)
- Smaller project footprint
- Same roadway cross-section and design elements



Dubuque Street – looking south at Park Road Bridge





Dubuque Street from City Park



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Denotes Public Meetings for attendance by any interested party
Denotes City Council work session or formal meeting



Design Activities

- Conceptual design
- Community and City Council design input
- Preliminary design
- Easement and property acquisition
- Final design
- Public hearing and City Council approval of final plans and specifications
- Iowa DOT letting process

You might see:

- Surveyors
- Field work
- Utility flags



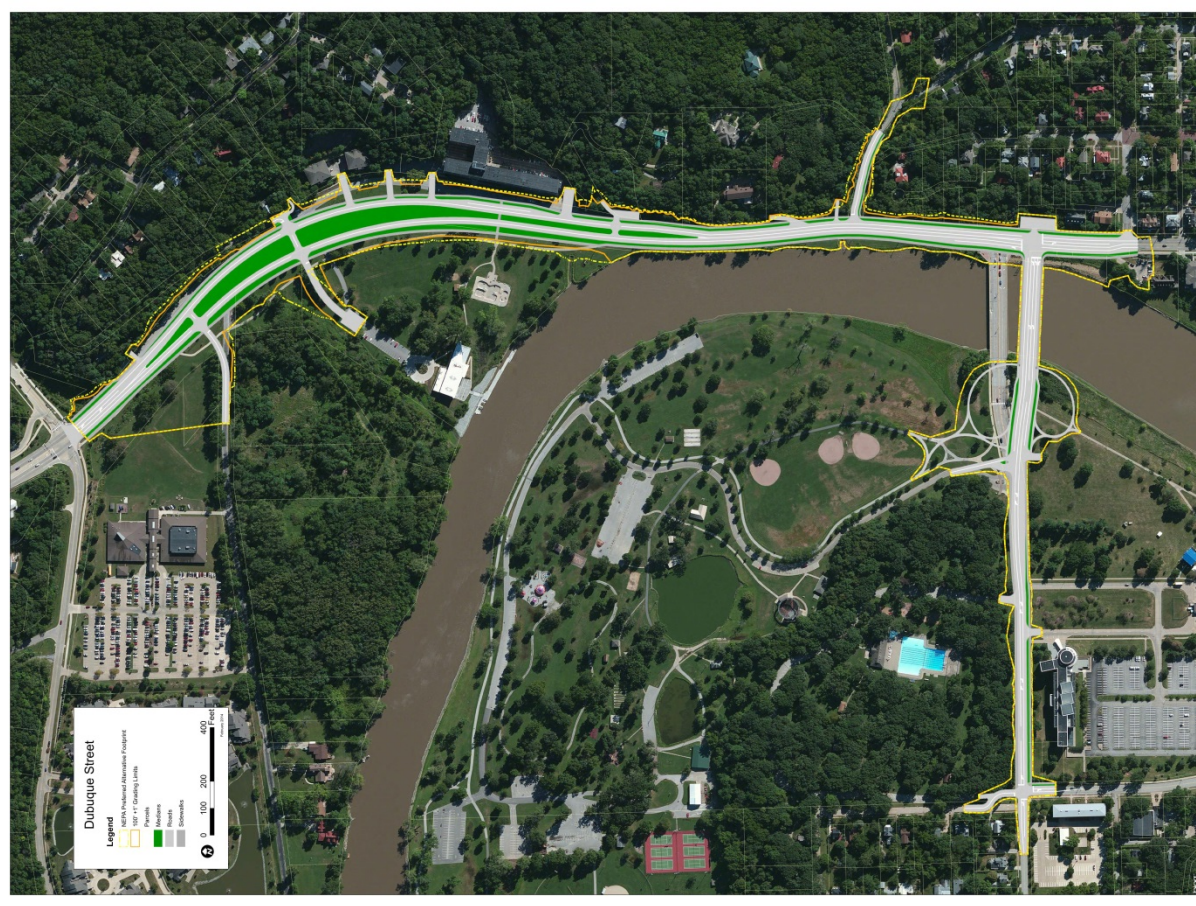
Tonight

Your input will be:

- (1) Shared with the City Council
 - (2) Used as more specific design elements are developed
- What are your priorities for the corridor?
 - How/why do you currently use the corridor?
 - What do you see as its strengths and weaknesses?
 - How do you envision future improvements?



Footprint Comparison





March 25 City Council Design Elements Discussion

- Traffic Operations
- Roadway Alignment and Medians
- Roadway Design Speed
- Vehicular Travel Lane Width
- Sidewalk / Trail Locations and Width
- Turning Lanes on Dubuque Street, Park Road and Park Road Bridge
- Pedestrian Activated Cross-Walk Signal at Mayflower
- Landscaping / Aesthetics
- Special Needs or Concerns during Construction



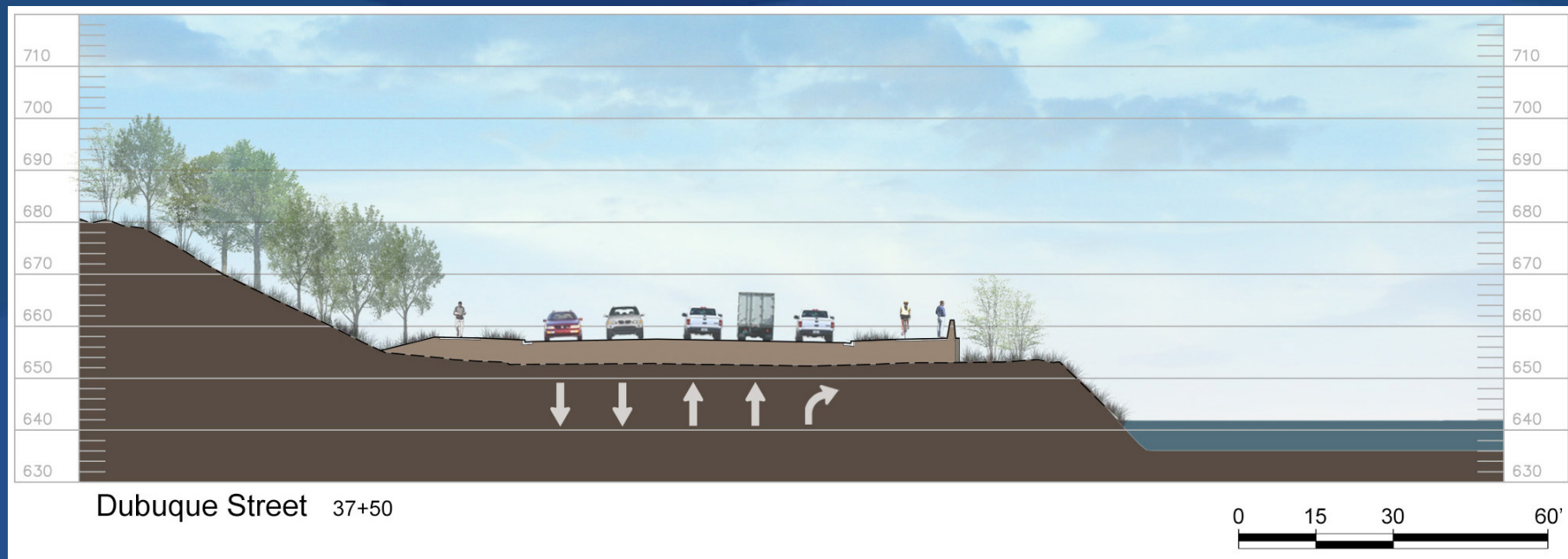
Please fill out a comment form

Comment forms are available here, or
on-line at www.iowacitygateway.org

Thank you!



Dubuque Street near Park Road





Public Involvement



- Began in April 2010
- Two public meetings: 250+ attendees
- Drop-in center + online public meetings
- Public hearing/drop-in center
- Multiple paid ads
- Local media press releases
- Multiple media stories
- City and project specific Web site*
- Mailing list of nearly 2,000*
- Neighborhood and civic group meetings*
- Multiple one-on-one meetings and calls*
- Additional public meetings*

**Will continue in the design process*



Future – City Council Work Sessions

March 25 – Roadway Design Elements Discussion

May – Landscaping and Aesthetic Discussion (Exact date to be determined)