



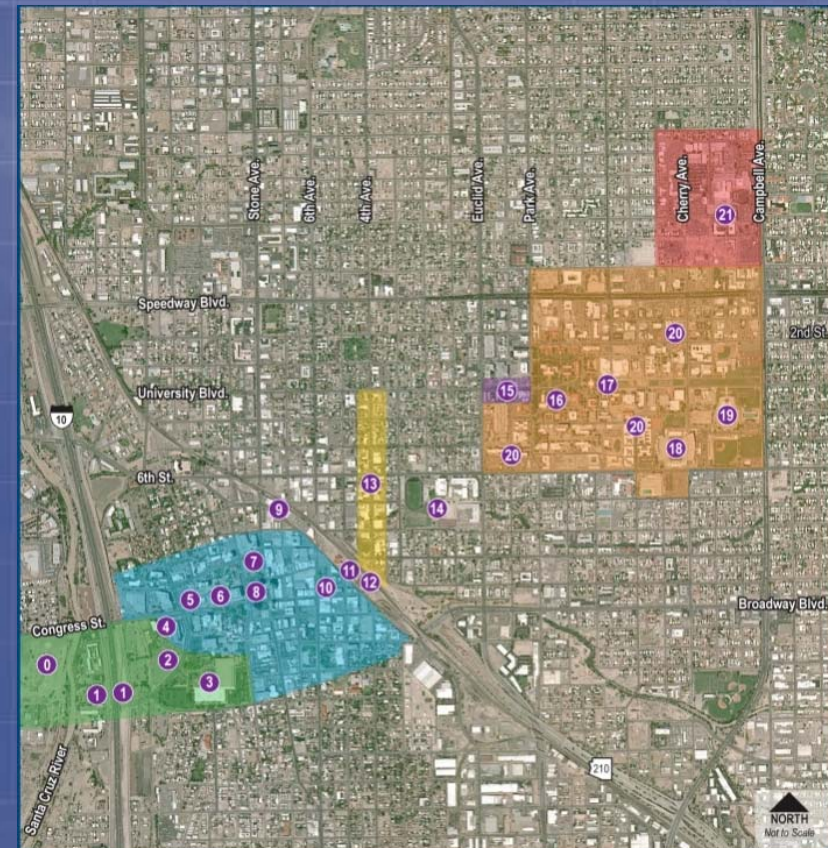
City of Tucson Major Transit Investment Study

Reconnecting America
September 26, 2007
Charlie Hales, Project Principal



Why Is This Project Being Considered?

- Connect major activity centers
- Create economic development
- Support population and employment growth
- Improve transit service
- Support Downtown and UA growth and development
- Mitigate parking constraints
- Preserve neighborhoods


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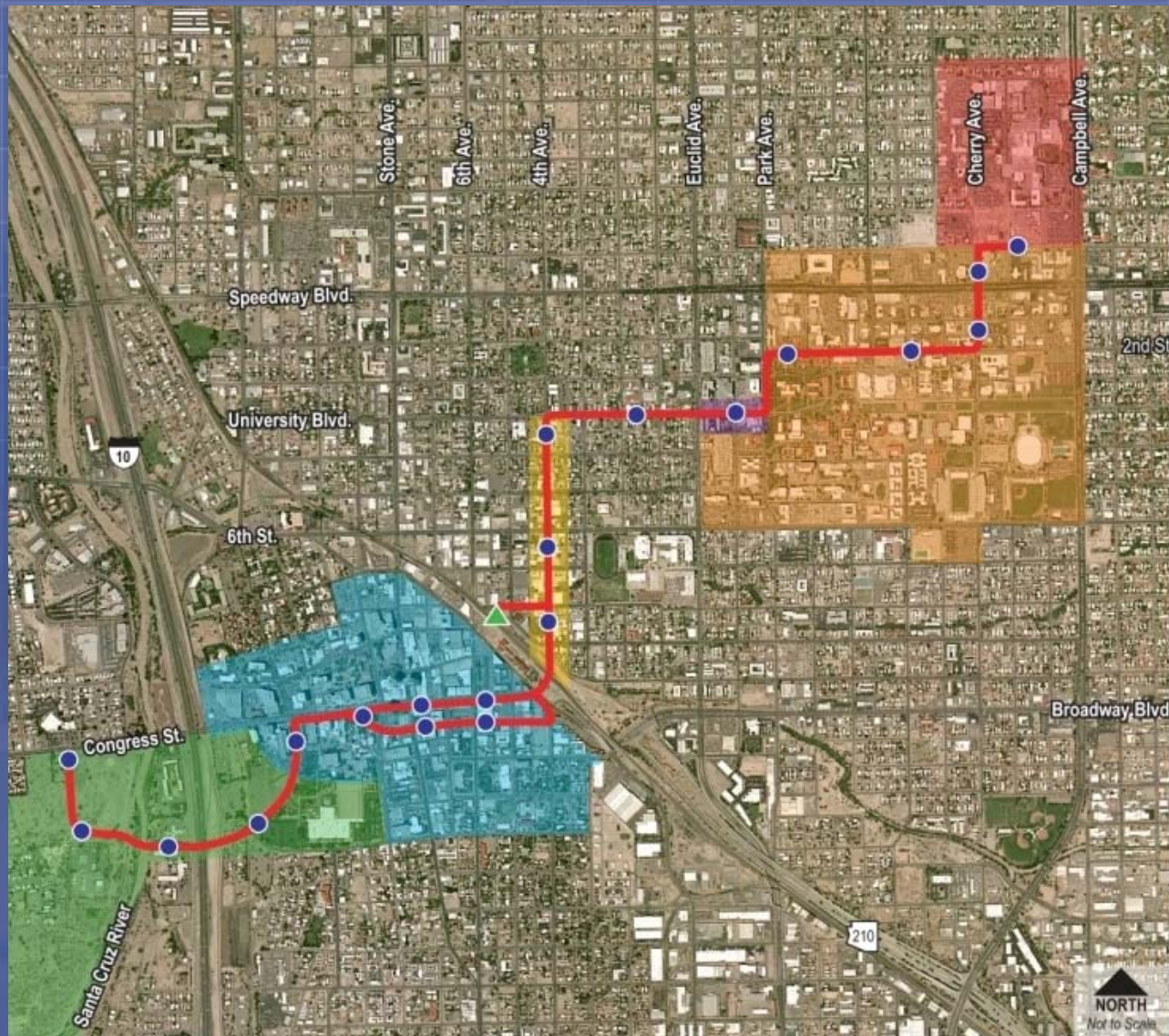
- Rio Nuevo Master Plan Area
- Downtown
- 4th Avenue Business District
- Main Gate Business District
- University of Arizona
- Arizona Health Science Center

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| 0 El Mercado | 11 Historic Train Depot |
| 1 University of Arizona Science Center | 12 New Fourth Avenue Underpass |
| 2 Civic Plaza / Civic Arena | 13 Fourth Avenue Business District |
| 3 Tucson Convention Center | 14 Tucson High School |
| 4 Federal Courthouse | 15 Main Gate Business District |
| 5 Tucson City Hall | 16 Centennial Hall |
| 6 Pima County Government Center | 17 University of Arizona |
| 7 Main Public Library | 18 Arizona Stadium |
| 8 Fox Theater | 19 McKale Center |
| 9 Warehouse Arts District | 20 University of Arizona Student Housing |
| 10 Ronstadt Transit Center | 21 Arizona Health Sciences Center |



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Project Details

- Alignment length: 4 miles
- 19 stations
- 7 modern streetcars
- Peak/off-peak headways: 10/20 minutes
- Ridership estimate from AA: 4000+ per weekday





Project Funding

- **Capital costs: \$115 - \$120 million**
 - Some capital costs absorbed by other (e.g., 4th Ave Underpass)
- **RTA funding: \$80 million**
 - Includes operating costs of \$3 million annually starting in 2012
- **Small Starts funding**
 - Will submit for a 50 percent federal share



Public Involvement

- **Technical Advisory Group (TAC)**
 - Agency Stakeholders
 - Examples: TDOT, Sun Tran, PAG, Pima County, UA, OPT
- **Community Liaison Group (CLG)**
 - Community Stakeholders
 - Examples: neighborhood associations, community groups, community leaders
- **Public Meetings**
 - Multiple open houses at Historic Depot
- **Project Website - www.tucsontransitstudy.com**

Project Schedule

- Alternatives Analysis (AA)
 - Aug 2004 – May 2006
- Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA)
 - April 2007
- Draft Environmental Assessment (EA)
 - Sept 2007
- Small Starts Submittal
 - Fall 2007
- Begin Construction
 - Mar 2009
- Operation
 - Dec 2010

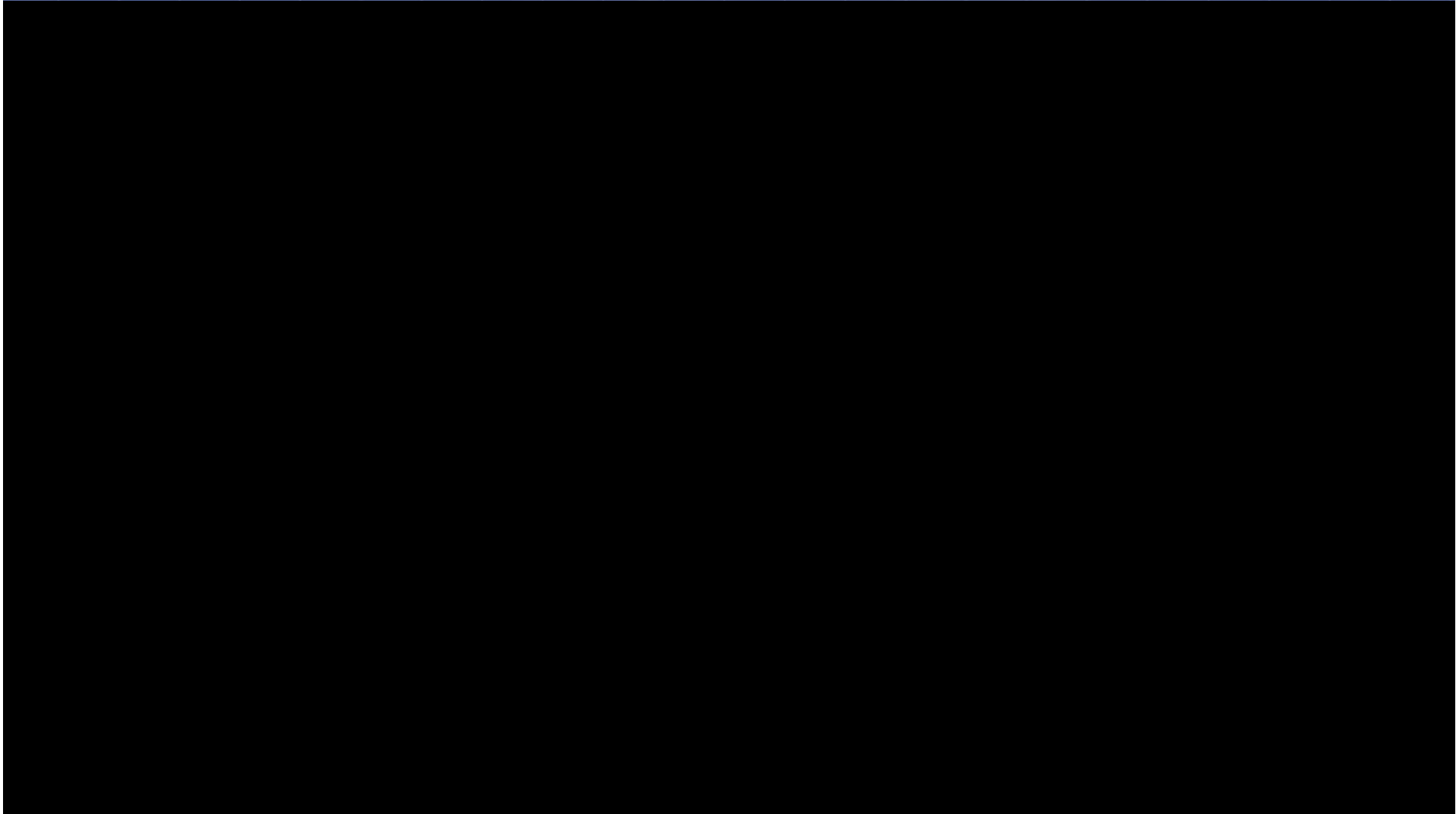


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