# Tempe/Mesa Streetcar Feasibility Study

Winter 2020



## Agenda



- Study Overview
  - Purpose
  - Study Area
- Process and Timeline
- Current Status
- Related Projects



#### Overview









- The cities of Tempe and Mesa have partnered with Valley Metro to evaluate streetcar as a high-capacity transit option
- \$600,000 budget co-funded by the cities of Tempe and Mesa

## Purpose



- Evaluate possible streetcar extension(s) to serve Tempe and Mesa
  - Link Tempe Streetcar with key regional activity centers, employment, residential
- Evaluate feasibility of options
- Identify potential next steps
  - Advise future regional funding priorities



#### **Process**



#### Identify Corridors

 Identify corridors that meet project's Purpose and Need and have high potential to improve transit

#### Tier 1 Evaluation

 Qualitative, high-level analysis.

#### Tier 2 Evaluation

 Quantitative, in-depth analysis

## Recommend Corridors

- Recommendation for future regional transit funding
- City Council Recommendation



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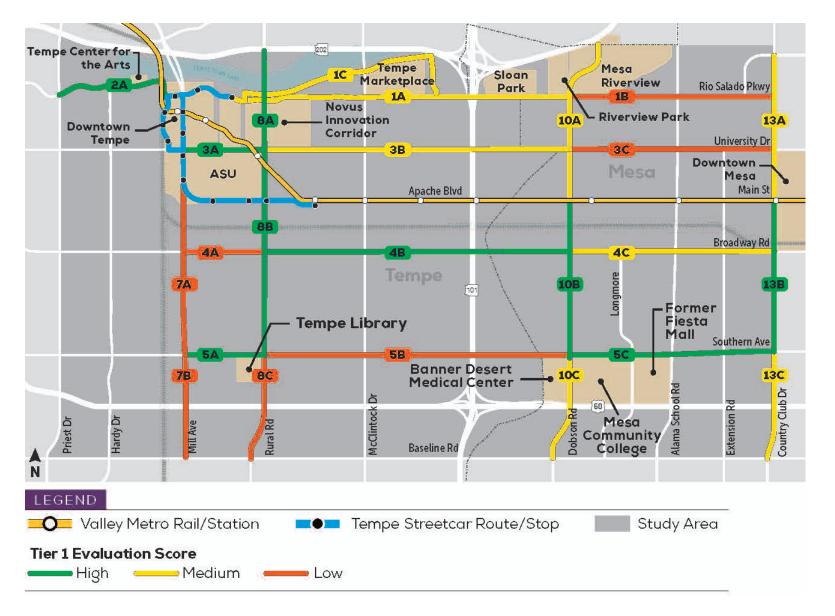
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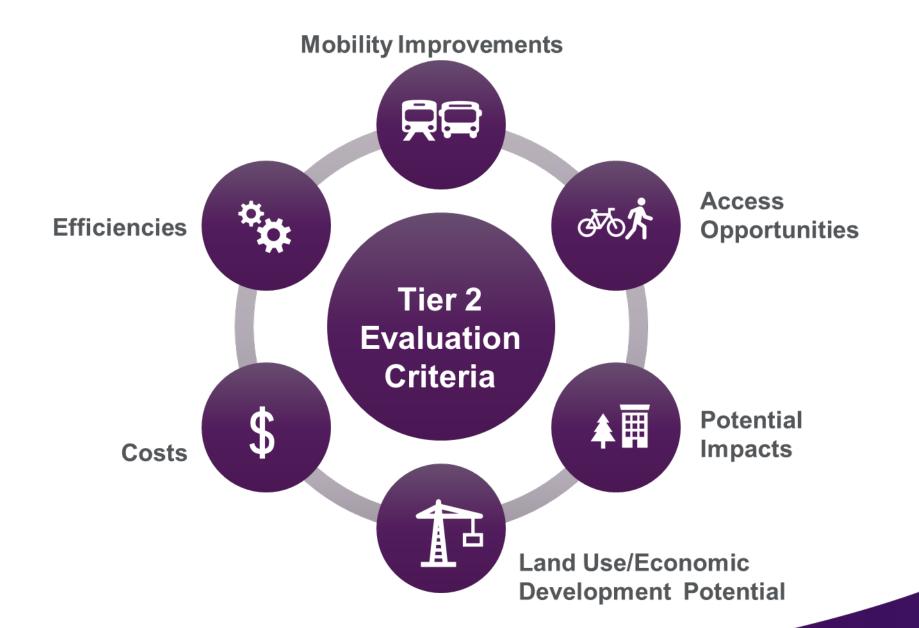
#### Tier 1 Evaluation Results





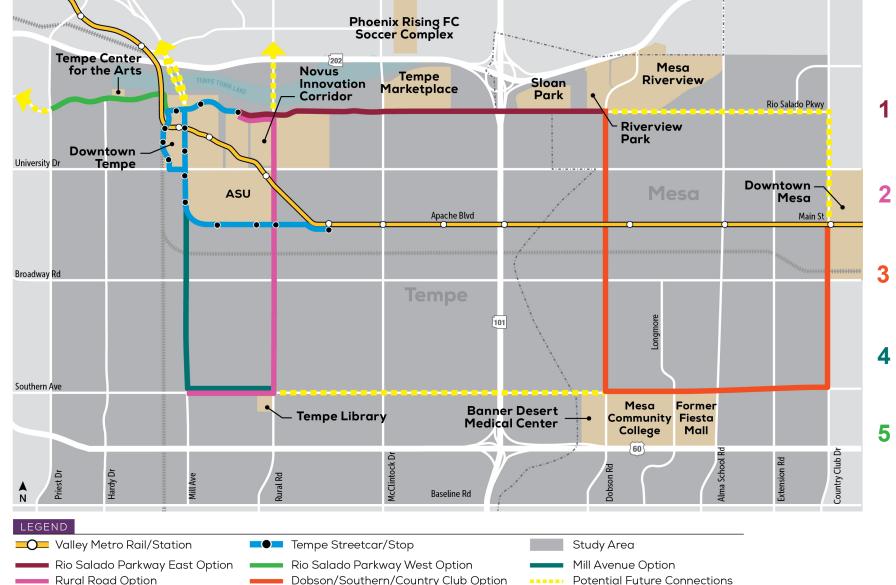
#### Tier 2 Evaluation Criteria





## Tier 2 Evaluation Preliminary Results

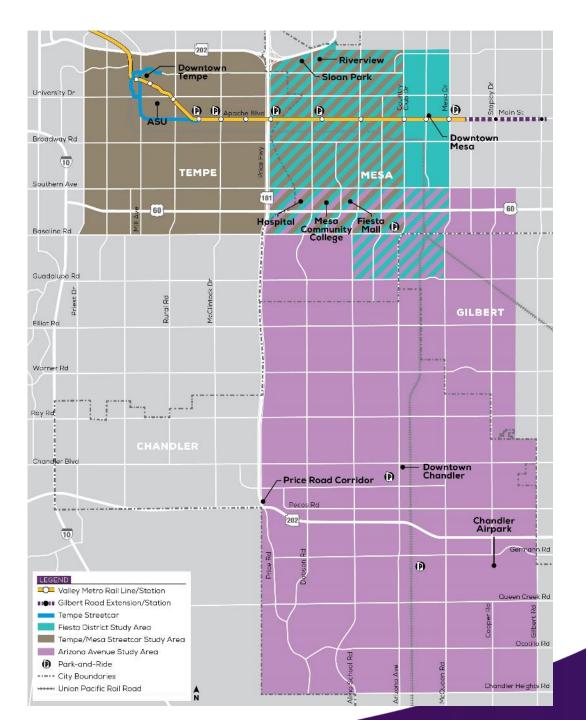




- 1 Rio Salado East: Marina Heights to Dobson
- **Rural:** Marina Heights to Southern/Mill
- 3 Dobson, Southern, Country Club
- 4 Mill: Apache to Southern/Rural
- 5 Rio Salado West: Ash to Priest

### Related Projects

- Fiesta District Alternatives Analysis
  - Completion in summer 2020
- Tempe/Mesa Streetcar Feasibility Study
  - Completion in summer 2020
- Arizona Avenue Alternatives Analysis
  - Ongoing
- Tempe Streetcar (under construction)
  - Open for operations in 2021





## Next Steps



- Final detailed analysis of prioritized corridors
- City Council recommendation in mid-2020
- Regional Transportation Plan
- Prop 400 E



## Thank You



## Tier 2 Evaluation Preliminary Results



Corridor Options	<b>M</b> obility	Access	Impacts	Land Use/ ** Econ Dev.	Costs	Efficiencies	Score	Rank
Rio Salado East							79	1
Dobson, Southern, C.Club							69	3
Mill Ave			•				66	4
Rural Rd							70	2
Rio Salado West				•			65	5



