



AGENDA

VILLAGE OF OAK PARK
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2026
7:00PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – VILLAGE HALL

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- 1) Call to Order / Roll Call
 - 2) Agenda Approval
 - 3) Approval of Transportation Commission Meeting Minutes

3.1) August 10, 2026 Transportation Commission Meeting Minutes

- 4) Non-Agenda Public Comment – up to 15 minutes

Public Comment

Public comment is a time set aside at the beginning of a meeting for individuals to speak about an issue or concern. It is not intended for a dialogue with the Commission. Public comment is limited to 30 minutes with a limit of three minutes per person. If public comment exceeds 30 minutes, public comment will be shared with the public body for their review. If you want to submit public comment prior to the meeting you can do so at transportation@oak-park.us, or contact the Assistant Village Engineer at 708-358-5724 for additional assistance

- 5) New Business
 1. Home Avenue Bridge Presentation
 2. 2027 Workplan Discussion

- 6) Old Business

- 7) Adjourn

Draft Minutes
Transportation Commission
Oak Park Village Hall
August 10, 2026
7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Commissioners Eskin, Jenkins, Johnston-Ahlen, Barish, Johnson and Nudelman

ABSENT: Commissioner Nudelman, Commissioner Eskin

STAFF PRESENT: Assistant Village Engineer Chris Welch, Marlin Jackson Manager of Parking and Mobility Services, Shandira Clark Parking Restrictions Coordinator

PUBLIC PRESENT: See public comment below

Roll Call: Commissioner Eskin called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

Jenna Holzberg	Present
Jack Eskin	Present
Jason Jenkins	Present
Erika Johnson	Present
Julie Johnston-Ahlen	Present
Leah Barish	Present
Jason Nudelman	Absent

Agenda Approval -Motion made by Commissioner Jenkins, seconded by Commissioner Johnston-Ahlen and passed unanimously

Motion to approve Meeting minutes from July 13, 2026 meeting -Motion made by Commissioner Johnston-Ahlen, seconded by Commissioner Nudelman and passed unanimously

Non-Agenda Public Comment-

Jennifer McGinnis of the 700 Block of Wesley spoke about the Y9 parking restrictions in her area and the challenges the overlapping school dropoff restrictions cause.

Suzen Riley spoke about the recently completed improvements to the Green Line Station at Austing and the need for future improvements at the Green Line Stations in Oak Park.

New Business- None

Public Comment- None

Old Business 5)

Zone Z1 Expansion

Shandira Clark, Parking Restrictions Coordinator, presented a revised Recommendation to Expand overnight Parking Zone Z1. The proposal was adjusted to remove spaces on Roosevelt Road and instead focuses on the west side of Lyman, Humphrey and Taylor Ave.

Public Comment

- o None

The commission discussed the proposal and a motion to approve the recommendation was made by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Nudelman. The motion passed unanimously.

1200 N Forest Calming Petition

CivilTech Consultant Steven Pautsch gave a summary of the results of the April 13th presentation to the commission and the request to review data during summer months. The additional data that was collected during the summer months and including weekend times was presented. The staff recommendation was presented which included a revised dead end sign at North Avenue and Forest facing Eastbound, replacing the do not enter except local traffic with a Dead End Sign and North Avenue and Forest facing north and sharing the common hours of infractions with the police department

Public Comment

- o Rance Clouser from the 1200 Block of North Forest spoke in opposition to the proposed solution
- o Kevin Cullinane from the 1200 Block of North Forest spoke in opposition to the proposed solution

The commission discussed the proposal and alternate solutions before settling on a motion to approve the staff recommendation with the addition of recommending targeted enforcement. This motion was made by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Nudelman. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjourn 6) Motion to Adjourn to was made by Commissioner Jenkins and seconded by Commissioner Johnston-Ahlen. Motion passed unanimously.

Adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Submitted by,
Christopher Welch
Assistant Village Engineer

Village Of Oak Park
Transportation Commission Agenda Item

Item Title: Presentation of Home Avenue Bridge Design
 Review Date: <u>10/12/2026</u>
 Prepared By: <u>Christopher Welch</u>
Abstract (briefly describe the item being reviewed): Stantech, a consultant for the Village, will present the design of the replacement bridge over I-290 at Home Ave. A focus of this item will be the transportation safety impacts at the north and south ends of the bridge and the intersection improvements proposed.
Staff Recommendation(s): Provide feedback on transportation related features of the home avenue bridge replacement project to be incorporated into the final project.



HOME AVENUE PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE

Village of Oak Park, IL

October 12, 2026

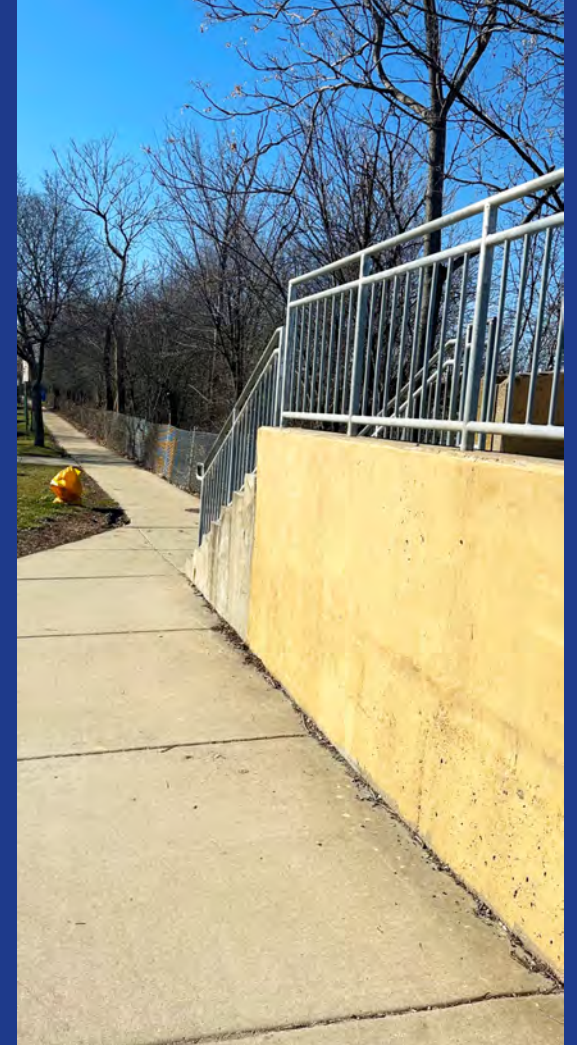
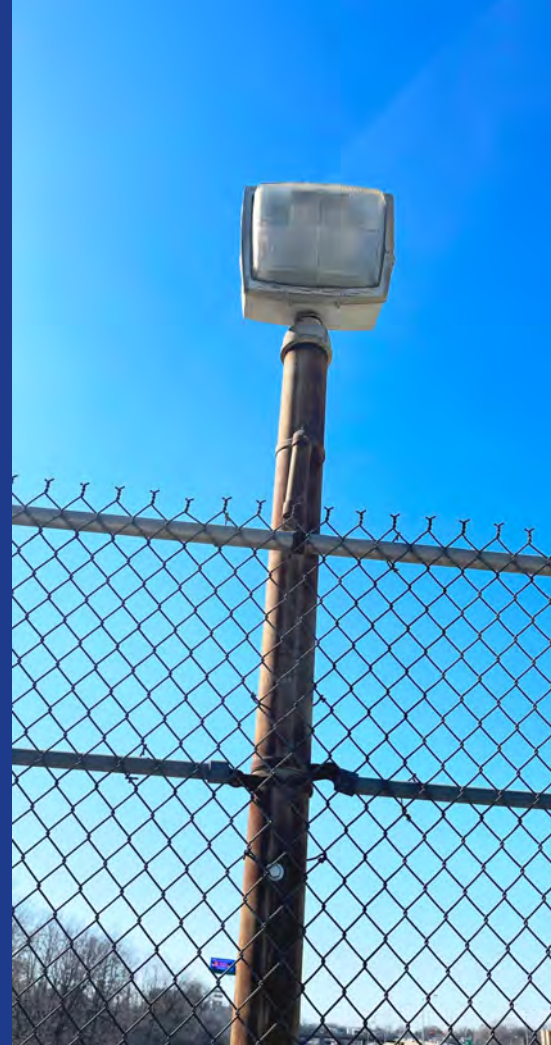
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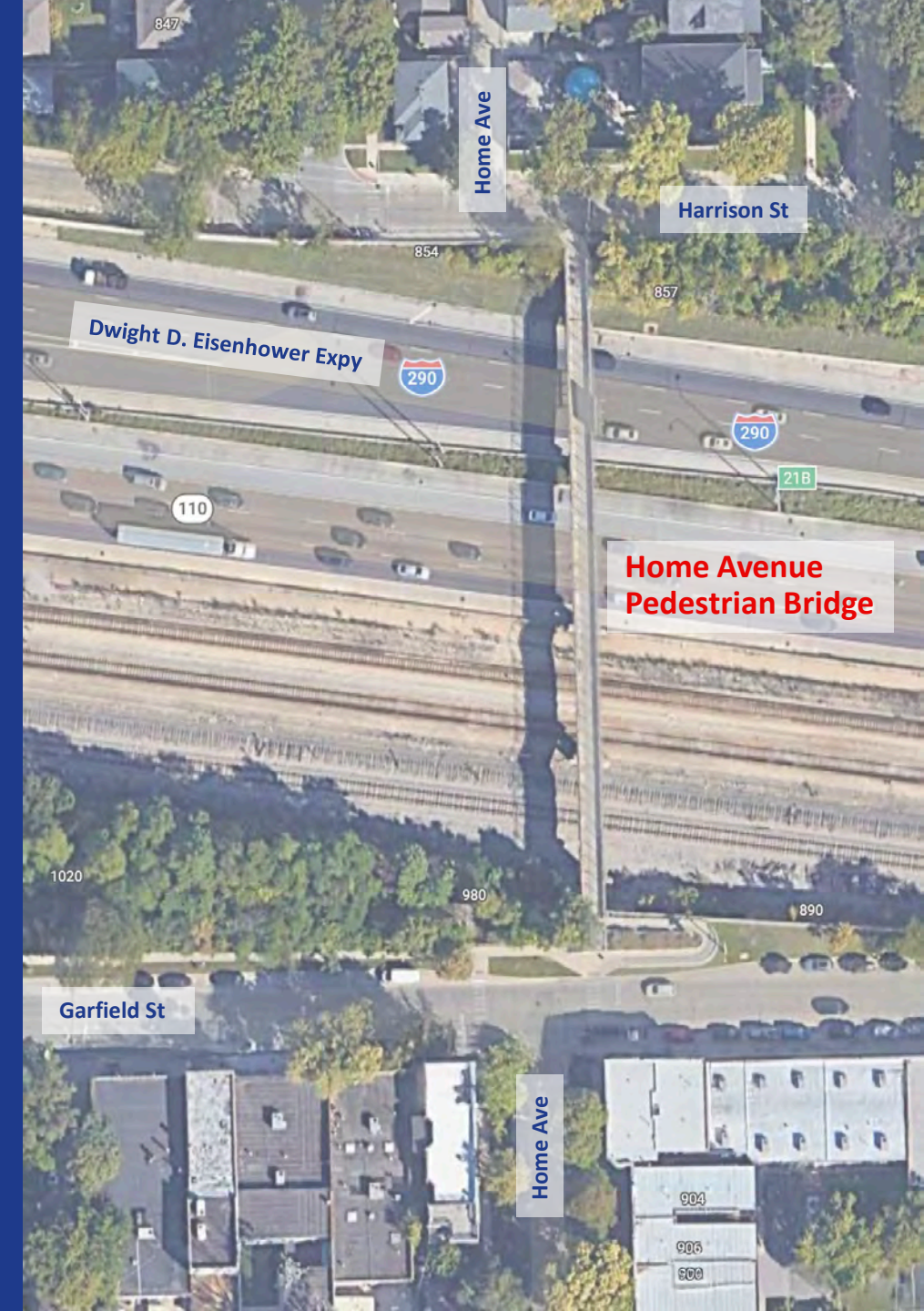
BRIDGE PROGRAMMATIC REQUIREMENTS

- ADA accessibility - bridge and approaches
- 10' minimum - 14' preferred multimodal bridge width
- 10' minimum ramps and approaches width
- 17'-3" over I-290 minimum vertical vehicular clearance
- 23' over CSX , 14'-6" over CTA minimum railroad vertical clearance
- 8' minimum fence height requirement with a maximum 2" x 2" openings over CSX, other fence requirements to be determined over CTA and I-290
- 42" minimum railing height
- Compliance with current codes



BRIDGE PROGRAMMATIC PREFERENCES

- No pier supports located in railroad right-of-way
- No impact to local streets
- Minimum disruption to highway and railroad operations during construction
- Durable bridge materials and ease of maintenance
- Safety and aesthetic lighting
- Attractive landscaping and native plants to enhance bridge approaches

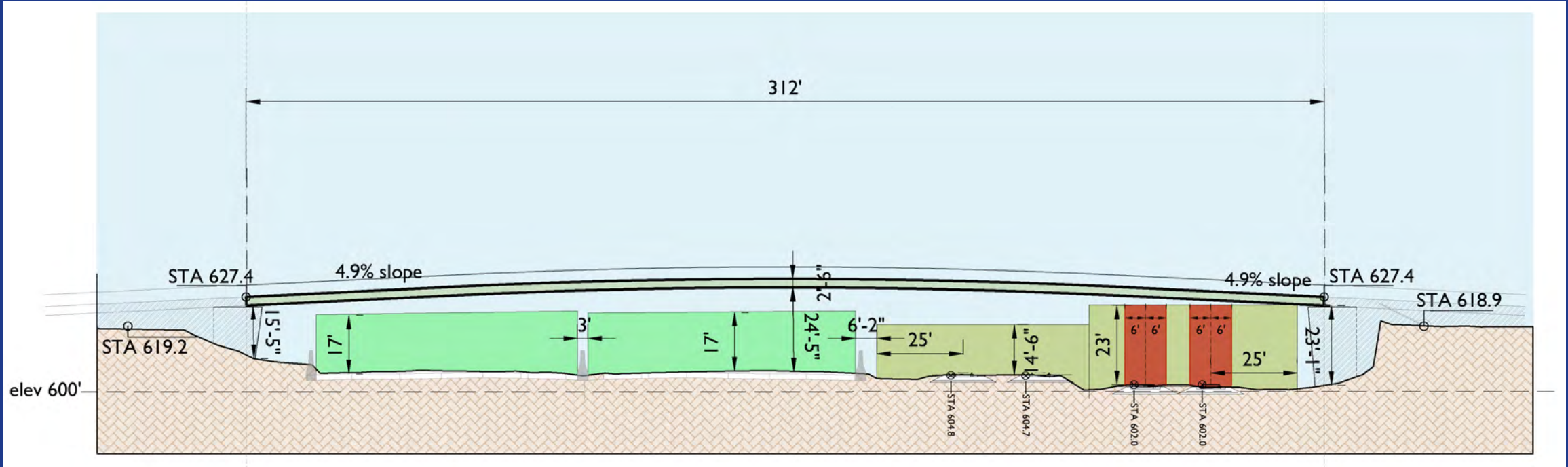


COMMUNITY AND AESTHETIC GOALS

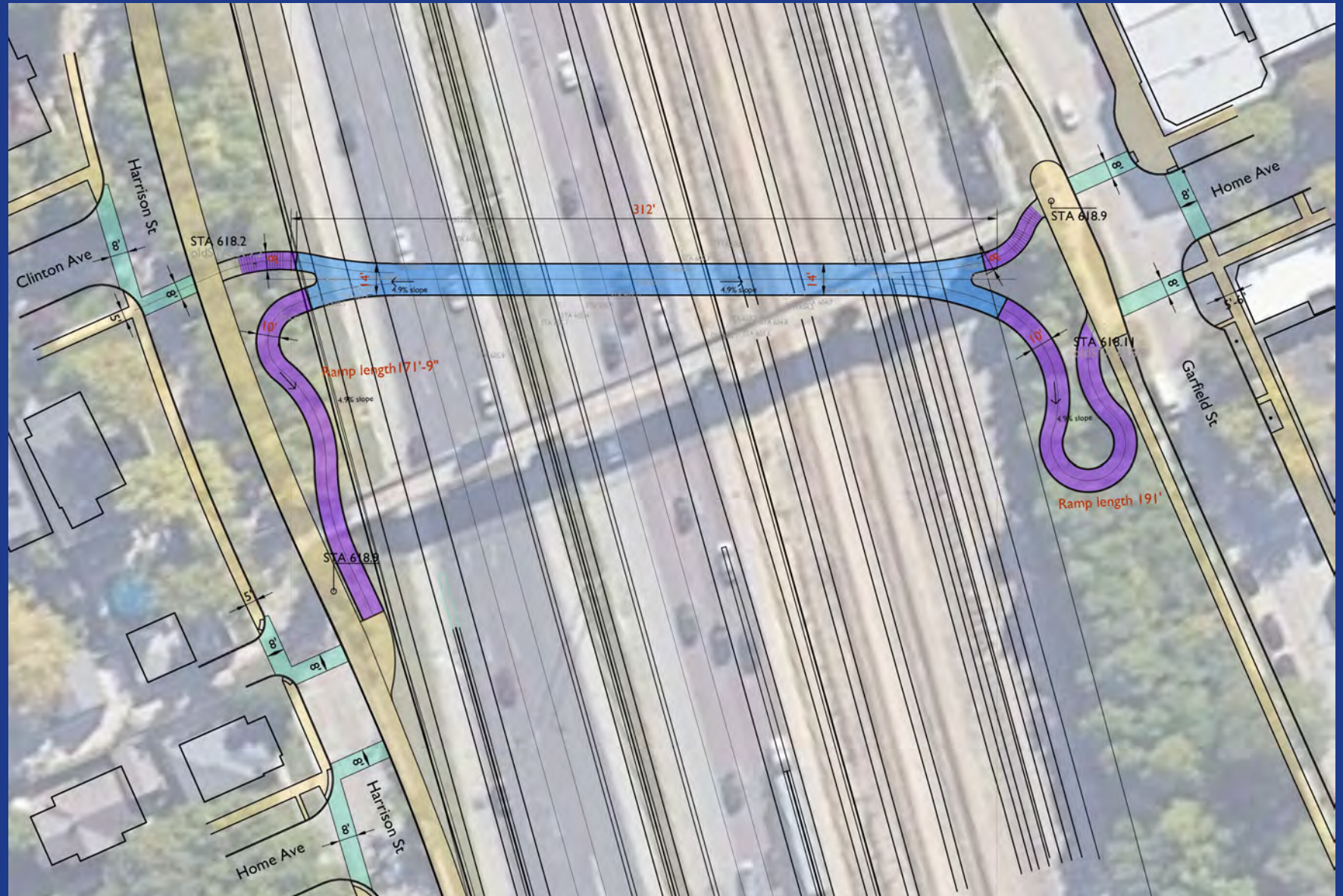
- A Cost-Effective and Aesthetically Pleasing Bridge: Striking a Balance Between Constructibility, Engineering, and Aesthetics
- The creation of a Gateway bridge spanning I-290, providing a visible vista from extended distances
- Creation of an iconic structure and a source of community pride for the Village of Oak Park



TYPICAL CROSS SECTION AND CLEARANCE CONSTRAINTS

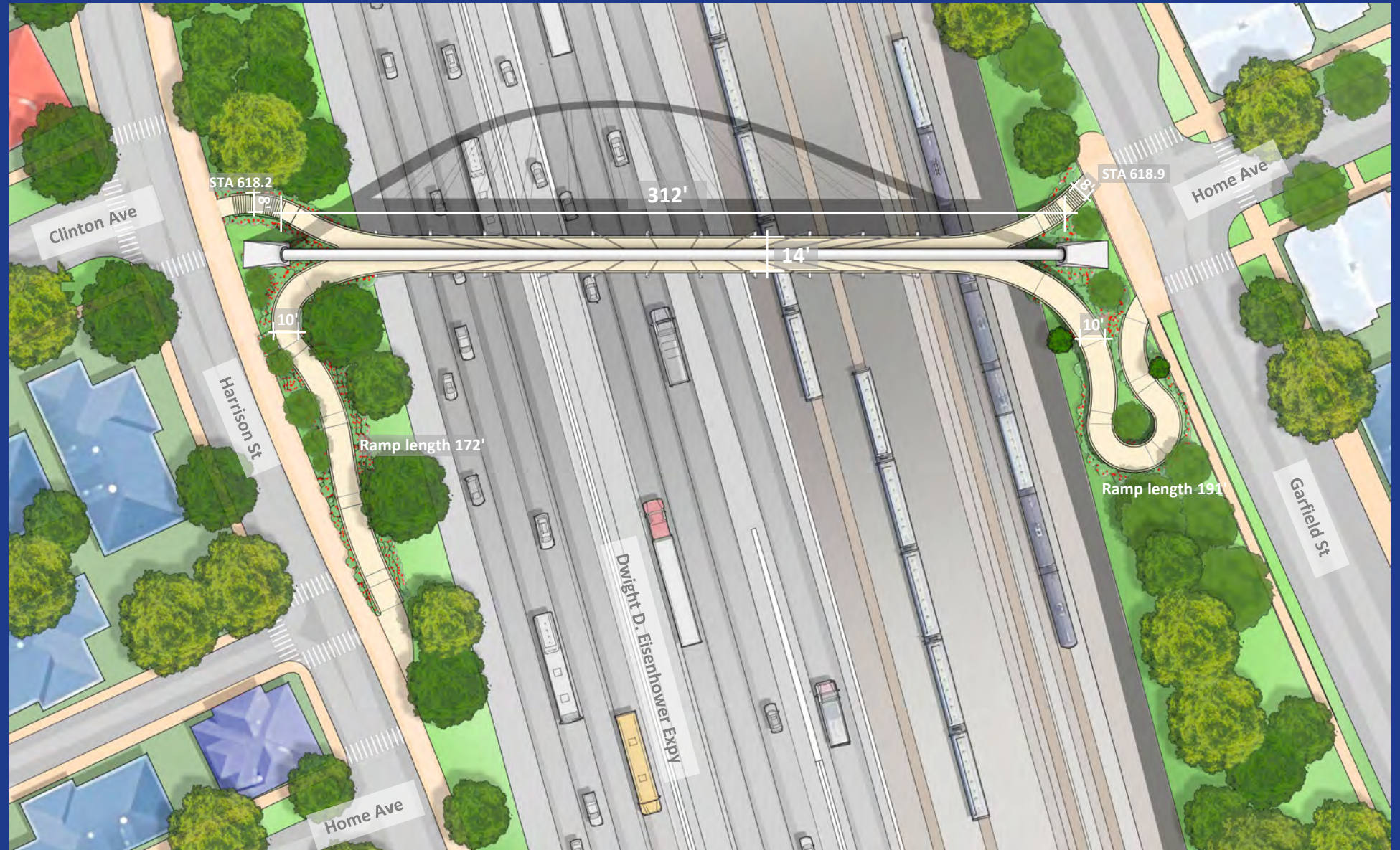


BRIDGE AND APPROACHES LAYOUT

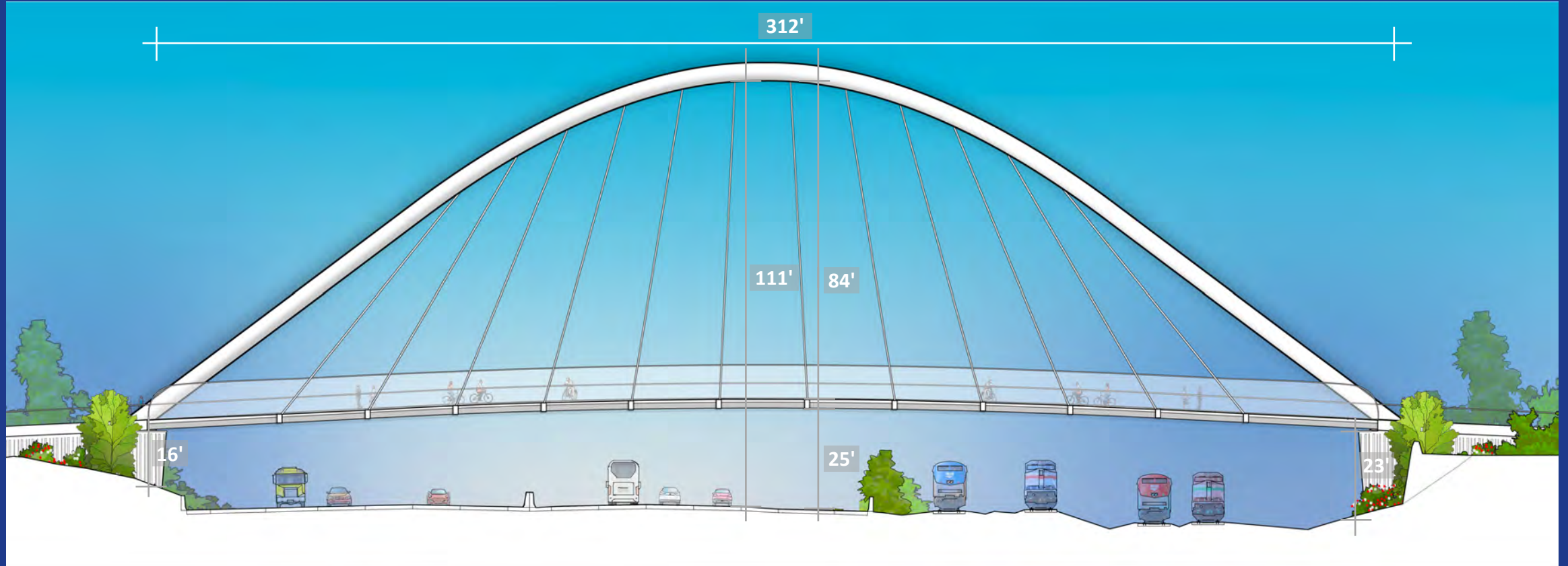


SELECTED BRIDGE CONCEPT

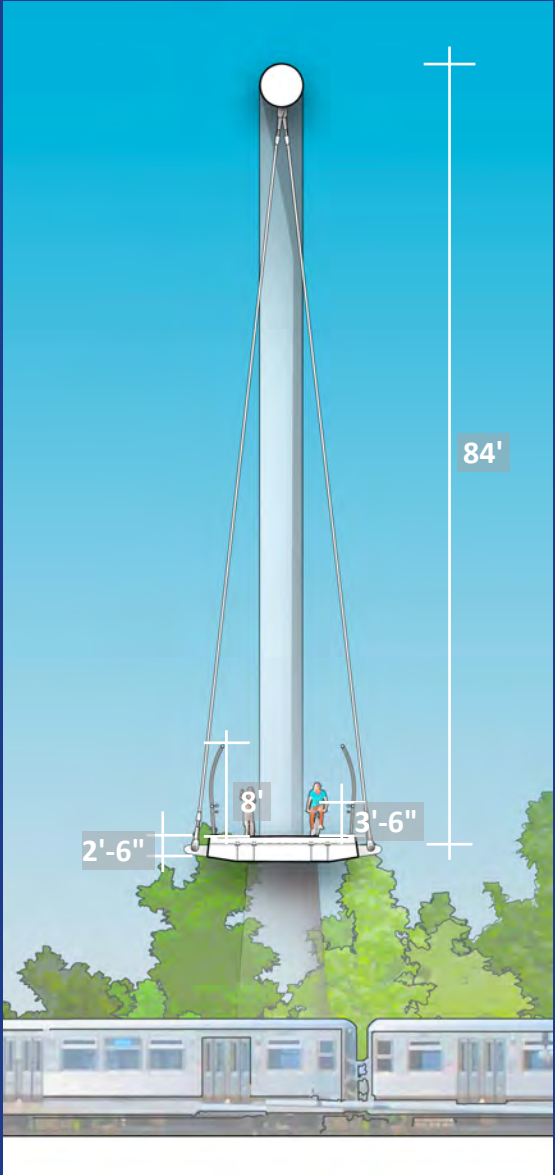
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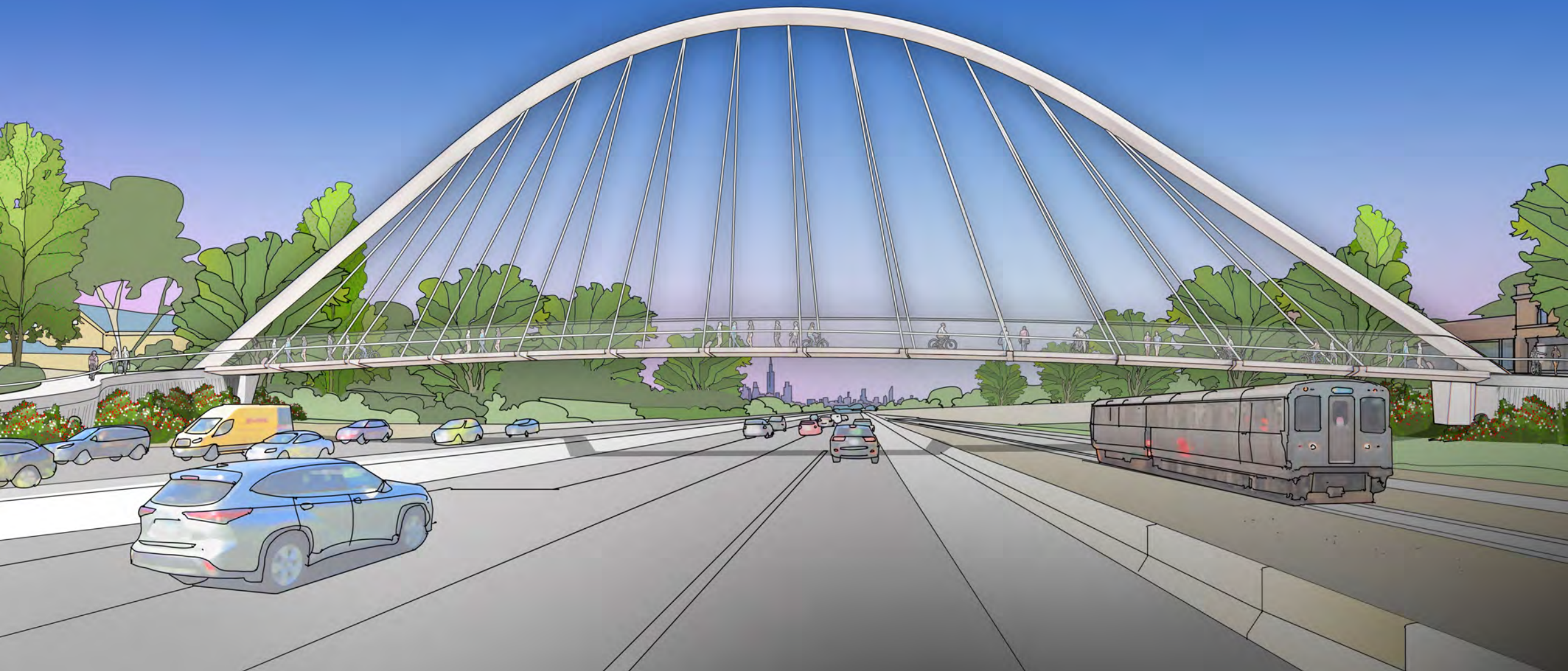


SECTION











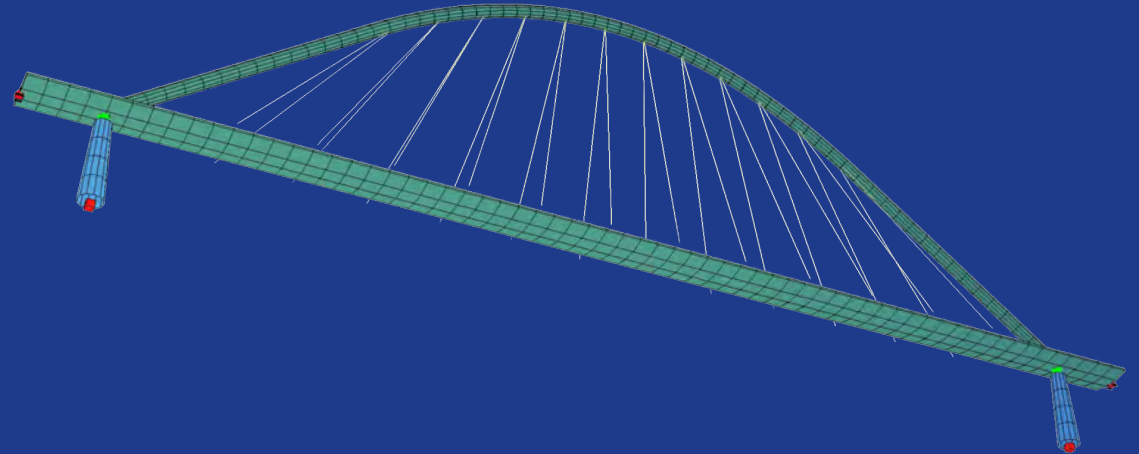
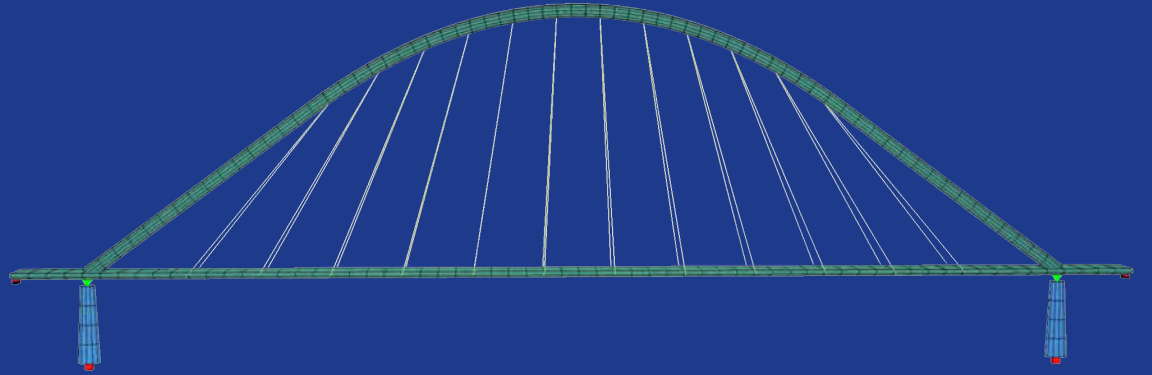
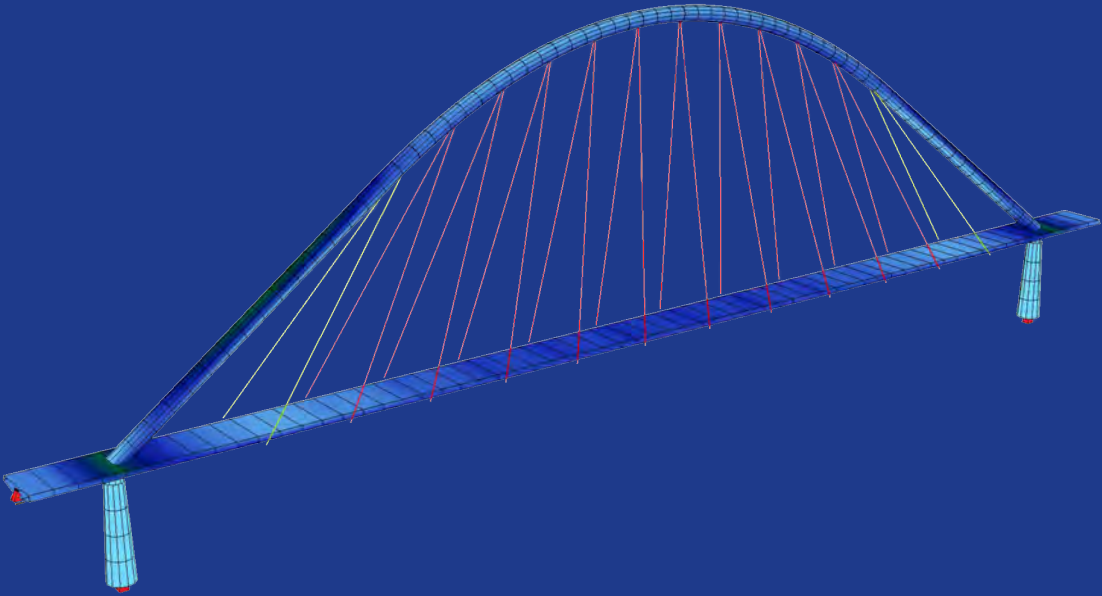








Bridge Structural Analysis



BRIDGE DESIGN CONCEPT COST ESTIMATE

SELECTED BRIDGE CONCEPT

Construction Cost:
\$ 12,527,255.00

Deck Area: **4,938 sqft**
Cost of 1 sqft: **\$ 2,537.00**



ITEM	QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT COST \$	COST
Deep Foundations (Inc. Piles, Excavation)	1	LS	580,000.00	\$ 580,000.00
Concrete Footings and Piers (or Abutments)	159	CY	1,200.00	\$ 191,146.00
Concrete Overlay on Deck	80	CY	1,500.00	\$ 120,009.00
Reinforcing Steel (Abut+Footings+Deck)	24,500	LB	2.00	\$ 49,000.00
Structural Steel (Deck+Arches)	1,015,146	LBS	7.00	\$ 7,106,022.00
Railings - Pedestrian	750	LF	450.00	\$ 337,500.00
Bearings	6	EA	3,500.00	\$ 21,000.00
Expansion Joints	26.3	LF	1,200.00	\$ 31,600.00
Lighting	1	LS	100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00
Landscaping	1	LS	75,000.00	\$ 75,000.00
Initial Item Subtotal				\$ 8,611,277.00
Design Contingency	15%			\$ 1,291,692.00
Subtotal				\$ 9,902,969.00
Mobilization (no RR costs)	10%			\$ 990,297.00
Subtotal				\$ 10,893,265.00
Construction Contingency	15%			\$ 1,633,990.00
TOTAL				\$ 12,527,255.00

BRIDGE APPROACHES COST ESTIMATE

BRIDGE APPROACHES

Construction Cost:
\$ 2,696,674.00

Ramp Area: 4,225 sqft
Cost of 1 sqft: \$ 638.00

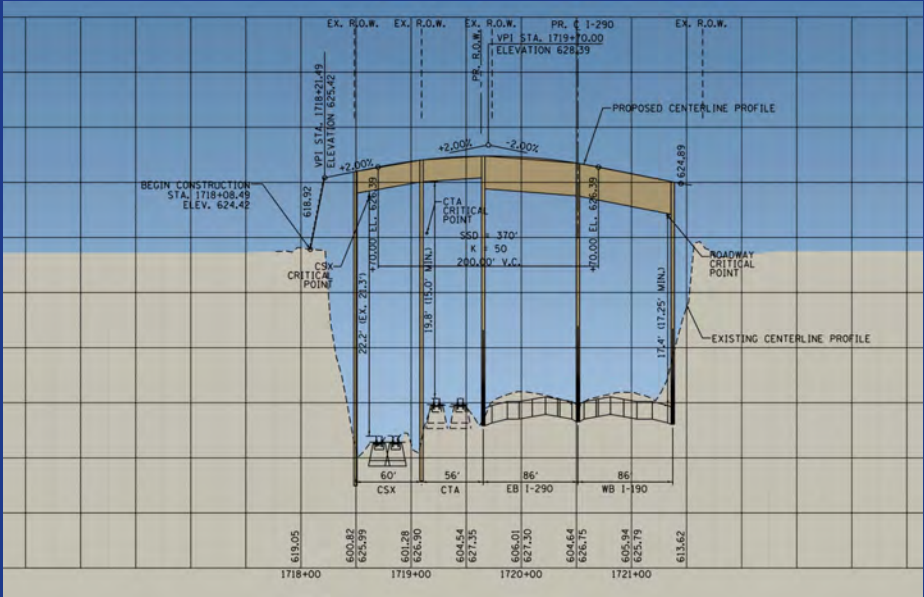
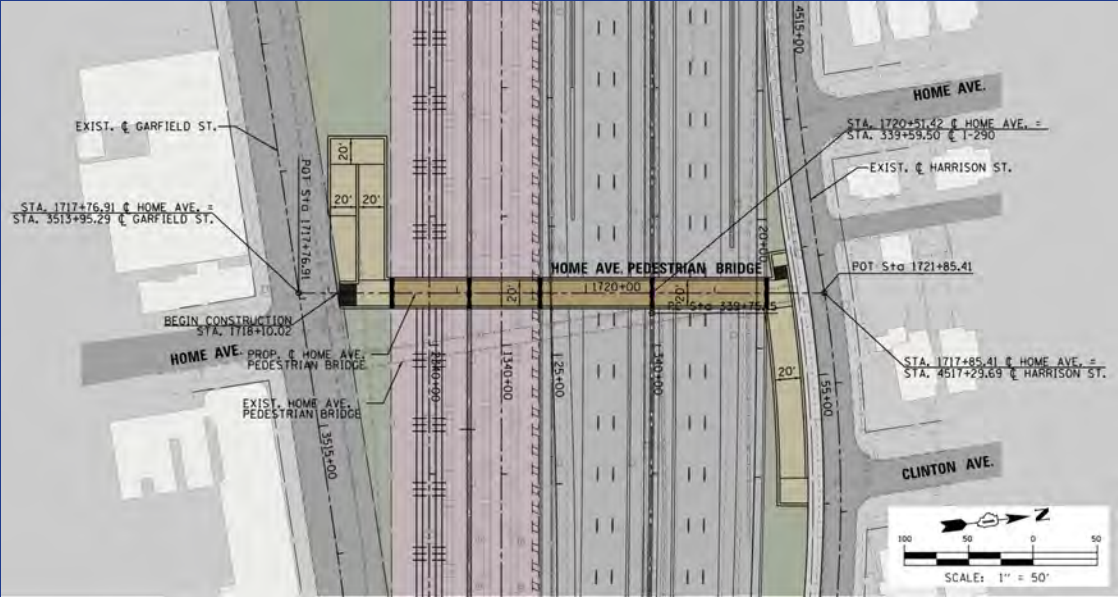
ITEM	QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT COST \$	COST
Top Slab (LW Concrete)	201	CY	1,100.00	\$ 221,629.00
Side Walls (LW Concrete)	338	CY	1,200.00	\$ 405,333.00
Footing Concrete	203	CY	550.00	\$ 111,630.00
Lightweight Fill	1,037	CY	300.00	\$ 311,111.00
Waterproofing Membrane	2,800	SF	15.00	\$ 42,000.00
Reinforcing Steel	145,000	LB	2.00	\$ 290,000.00
Handrail System	800	LF	450.00	\$ 360,000.00
Excavation & Shoring	400	LF	80.00	\$ 32,000.00
Misc. (Weep Holes, Embeds, etc.)	400	LF	200.00	\$ 80,000.00
Initial Item Subtotal				\$ 1,853,703.00
Design Contingency	15%			\$ 278,055.00
Subtotal				\$ 2,131,758.00
Mobilization (no RR costs)	10%			\$ 213,176.00
Subtotal				\$ 2,344,934.00
Construction Contingency	15%			\$ 351,740.00
TOTAL				\$ 2,696,674.00

BRIDGE PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE

BRIDGE: \$ 12,527,255.00
APPROACHES: \$ 2,696,674.00
TOTAL COST: \$ 15,223,929.00



ILLINOIS DOT PREVIOUSLY PROPOSED HOME AVENUE PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE



■ BRIDGE 5,760 sqf x \$1,000:	\$5,760,000.00	■ APPROACHES 8,720 sqf x \$300:	\$2,616,000.00
■ BRIDGE 5,760 sqf x \$1,200:	\$6,912,000.00	■ APPROACHES 8,720 sqf x \$450:	\$3,924,000.00

TOTAL COST RANGE: FROM \$8,376,00.00 TO 10,836,000.00

Anticipated Maintenance Schedule

Maintenance Activity	Interval (years)
Cleaning, minor repairs, graffiti removal, other routine maintenance	2
Visual Bridge Inspection	2
In Depth (Fracture Critical) Hands On Bridge Inspection	6
Steel spot painting and touch ups	12
Full steel repainting	25
Concrete crack sealing and patching	10
Concrete deck overlay	25
Concrete deck replacement	50
Railing repair and/or replacement	25
Expansion joint gland replacement	25
Bearing replacement	50
Major superstructure rehabilitation	50
End of life demolition and removal	100

Estimated Maintenance Costs

Concept	
Maintenance Cost	\$3,406,400
Relative Cost	1.04

- All costs are in \$2026 and reflect a Life Cycle Cost Analysis period of 100 years
- Future maintenance costs are discounted back to \$2026 using a 2.9% discount rate as recommended by Illinois Tollway 2026 SDM 2.5.1

Ped/Bike Safety Enhancements

Proposed Speed Table

Proposed Stop Sign Locations

Existing Stop
Sign, typ.

Proposed
Crosswalk, typ.

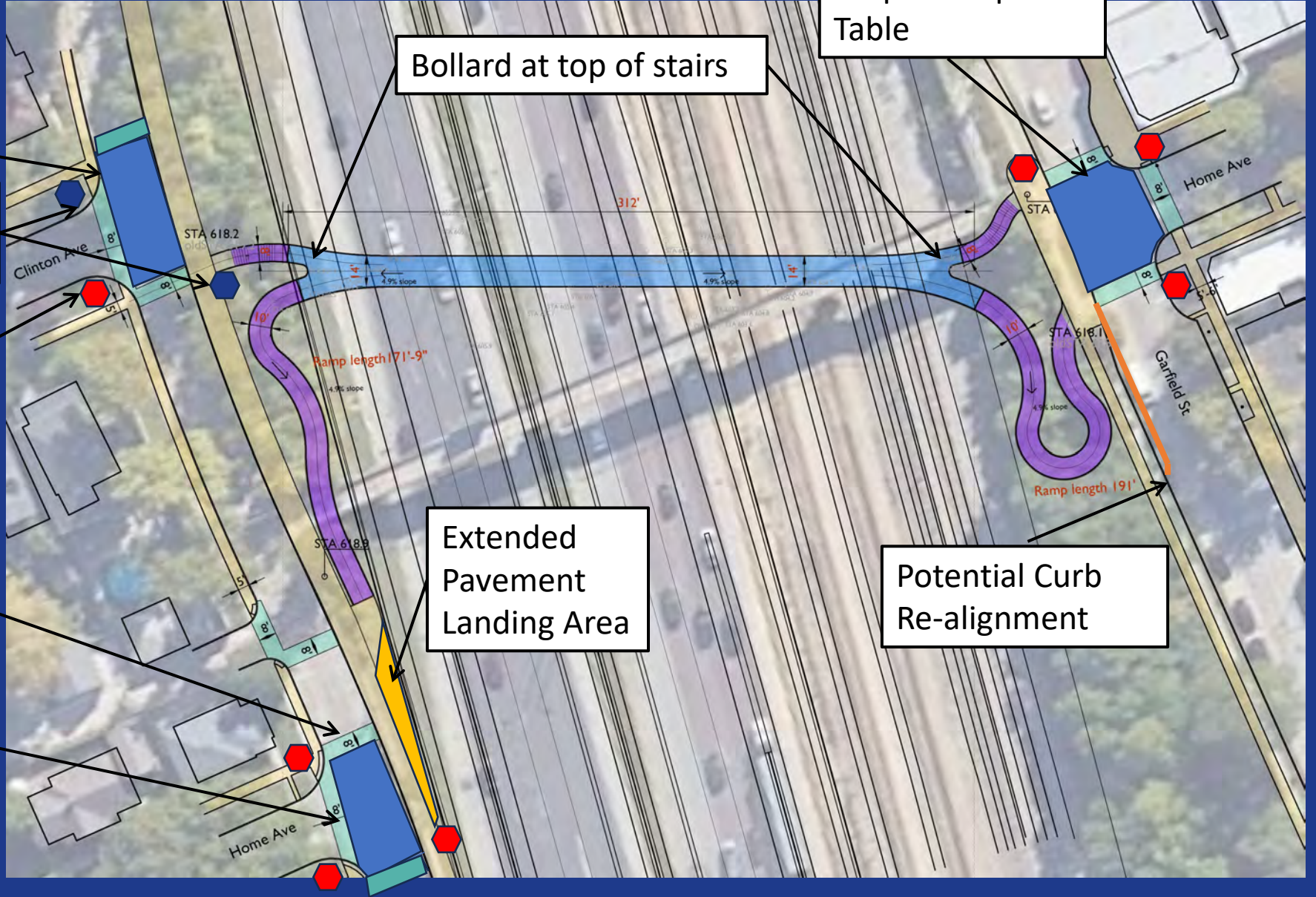
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Bollard at top of stairs

Extended
Pavement
Landing Area

Potential Curb Re-alignment



Example Oak Park Raised Speed Table



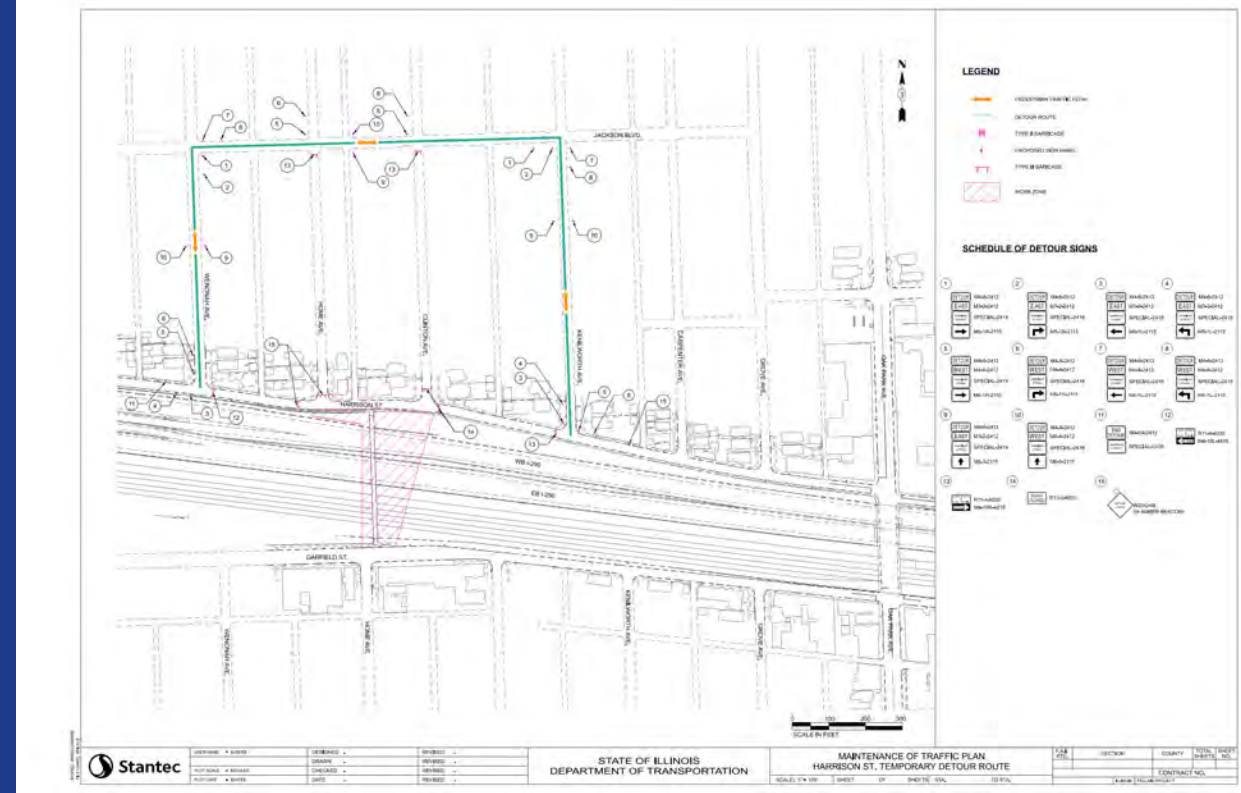
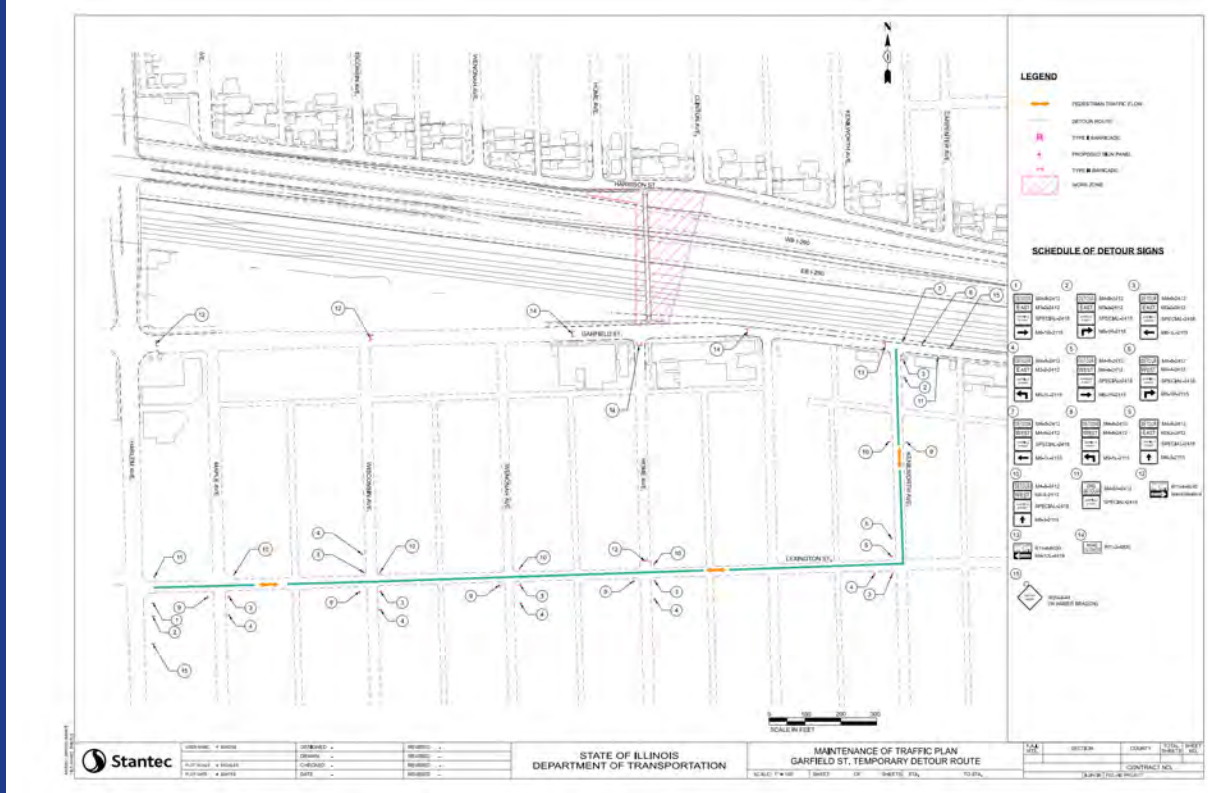
- Located on Westgate Street and Marion Street
- Proposed street tables would consider use of LED enhanced Stop Signs for additional safety at night

Thermoplastic “Warning Stripes”



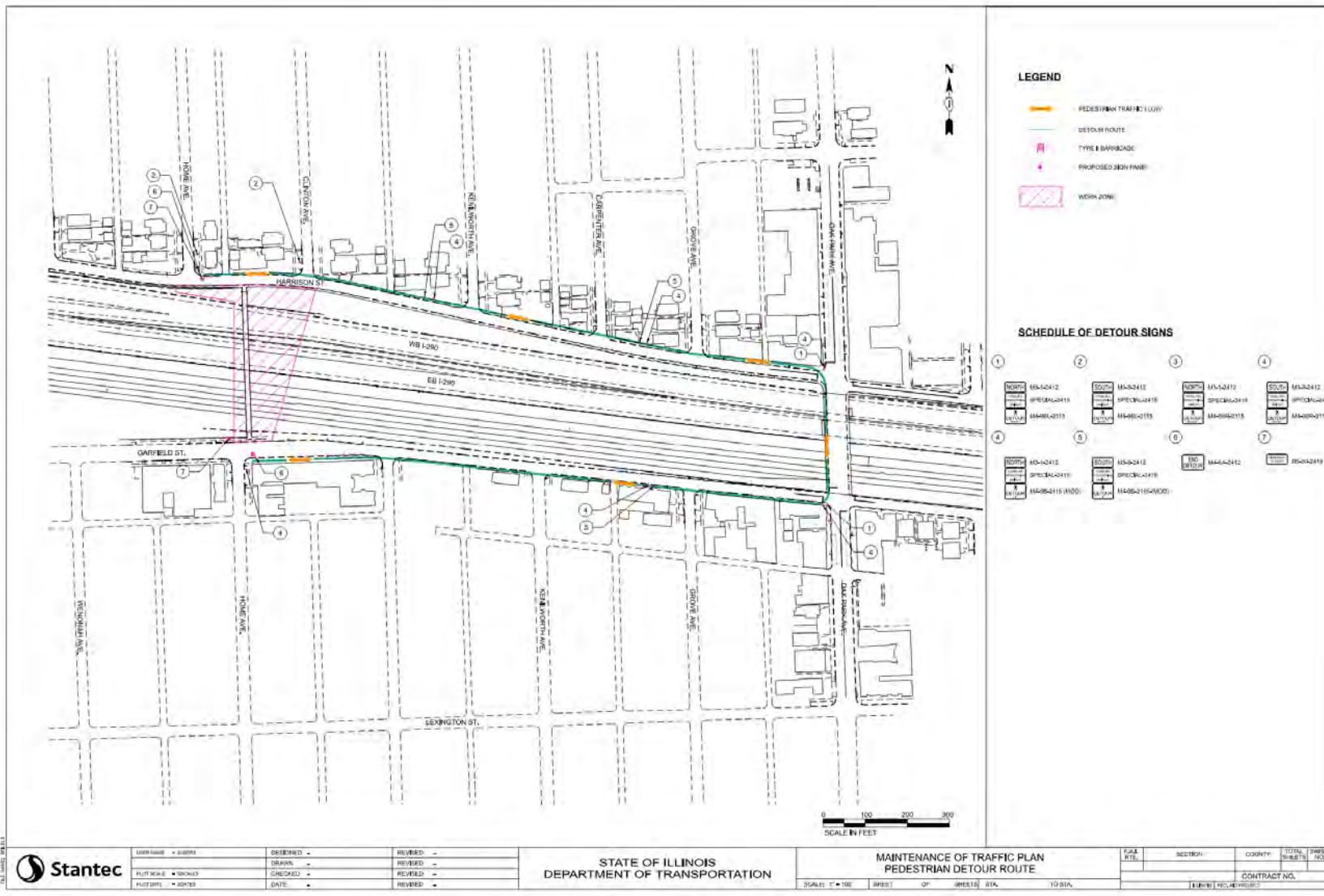
- Placed at bottom of ramps
- Provide a haptic reminder for cyclists to slow down

Temporary Vehicle Detours



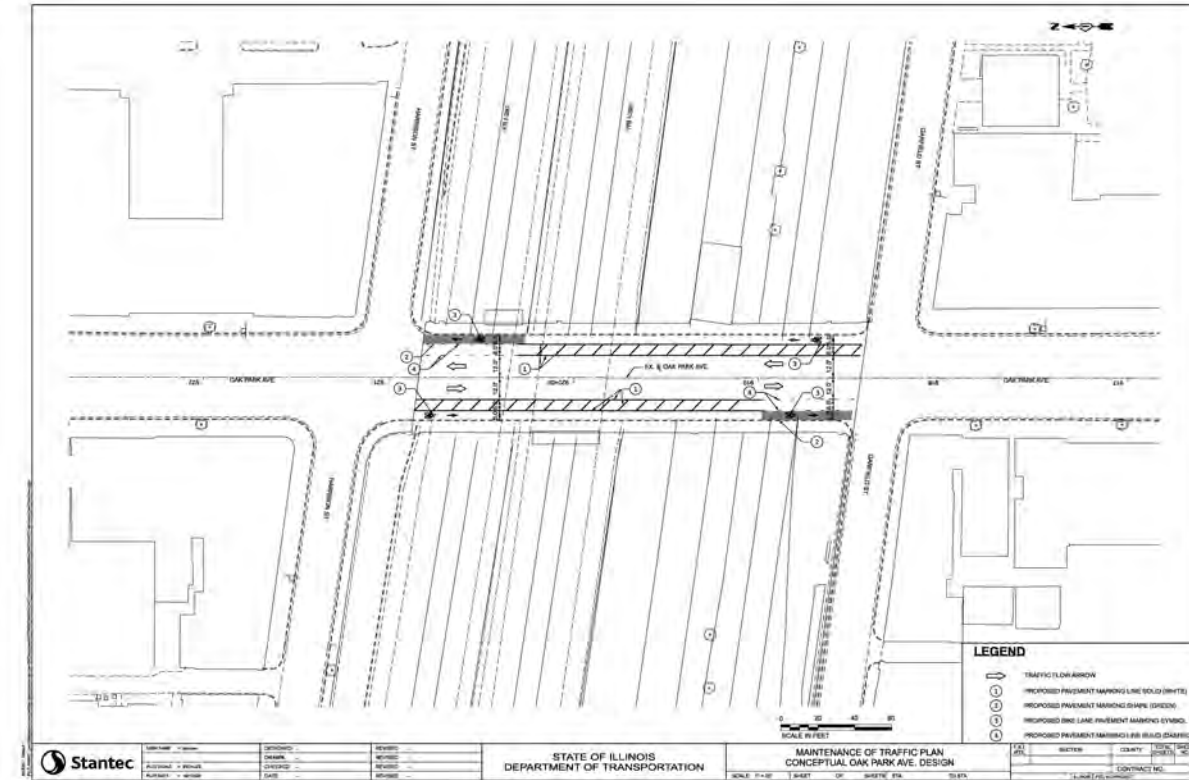
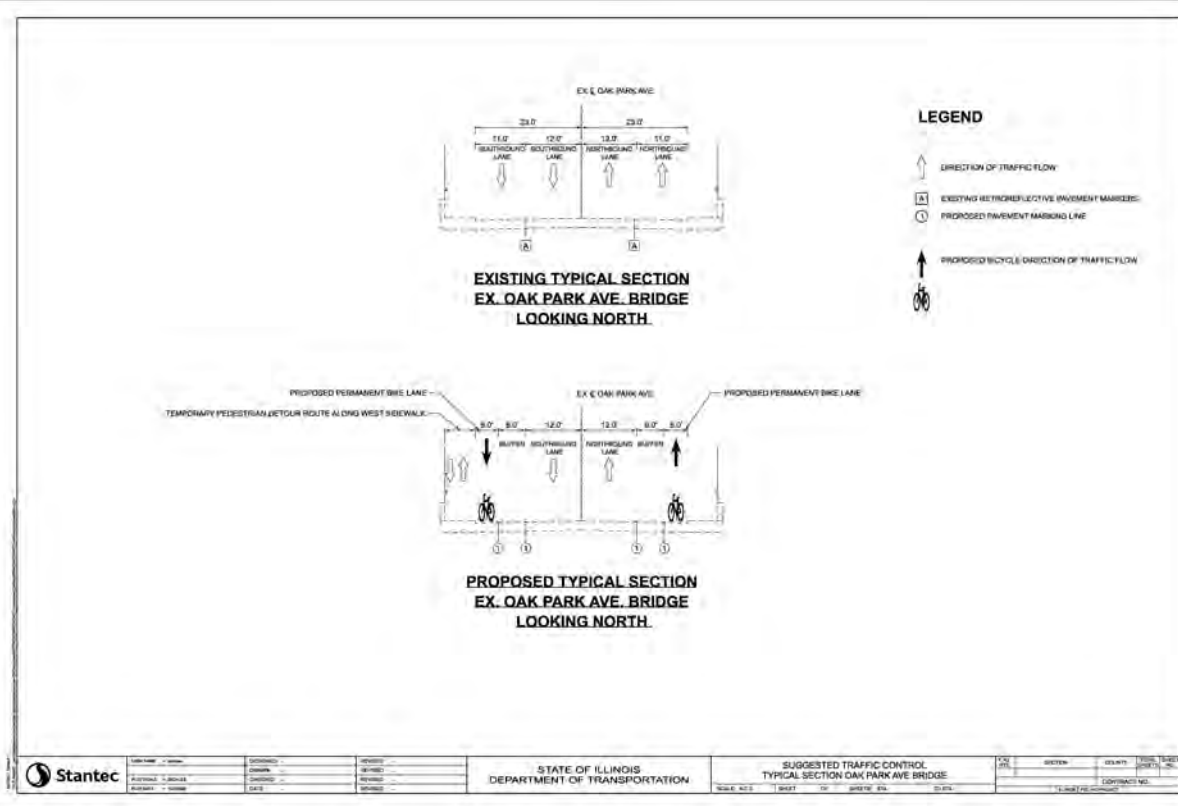
- Garfield and Harrison will be barricaded to thru traffic
- Local traffic will be allowed access as needed to limit business interference
- These detours will be utilized during the removal of existing structures, construction staging, installation of new structures, and roadway improvements

Pedestrian Detour



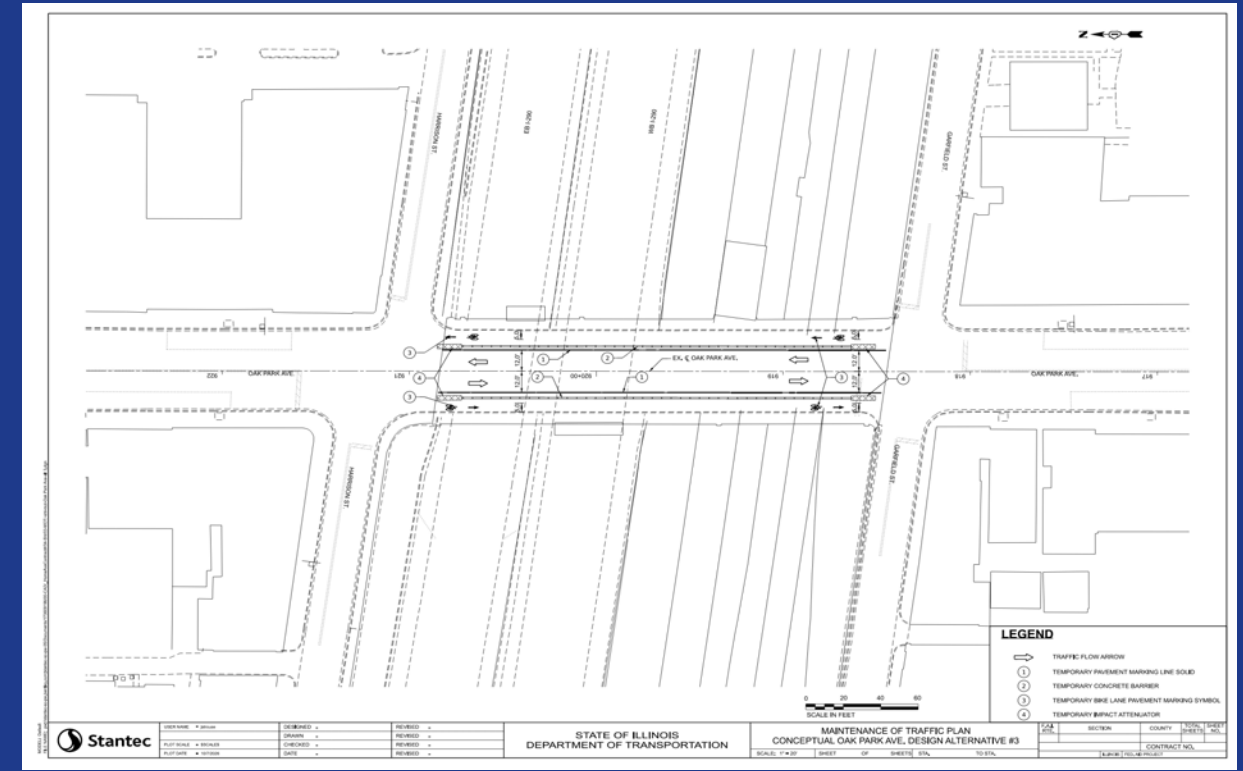
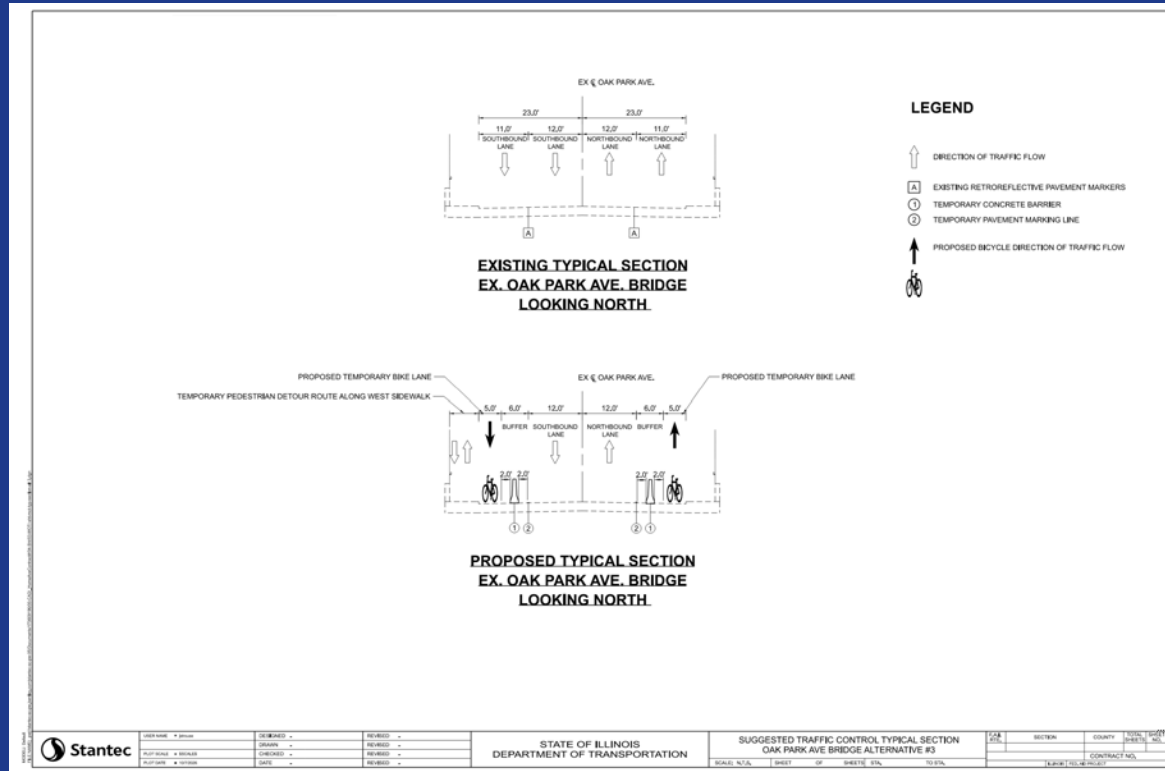
- Detour route
 - North sidewalk of Harrison Street
 - West Sidewalk of Oak Park Ave. Bridge
 - South sidewalk of Garfield Street
 - Total Length: 3,200 Feet
- Construction of ADA-compliant sidewalk ramps and detectable warning surfaces
- Crossing guards at Harrison/Oak Park and Garfield/Oak Park during school hours

Proposed Oak Park Ave Buffered Bike Lane Plan



- 5' bike lane and 6' buffer on East and West side of Oak Park Ave Bridge

Alternative – Temporary Barrier Protection Instead of Buffer



- Jersey barrier protected bike lanes on both sides of Oak Park Ave
- As an additional alternative - both bike lanes can combined on West side of Oak Park Ave



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Village Of Oak Park
Transportation Commission Agenda Item

Item Title: Review 2027 Workplan
 Review Date: <u>10/12/2026</u> Prepared By: <u>Christopher Welch</u>
Abstract (briefly describe the item being reviewed): Review progress on the 2026 workplan and the proposed 2027 workplan. The commission will be asked for feedback on the proposed work plan and to vote on its approval if it is acceptable.
Staff Recommendation(s): Provide input for 2027 Workplan. Approve workplan if it meets with commission approval

Draft 2027 Work Plan for Transportation Commission

Approved by the Village Board of Trustees on ###/###/####

2027 Initiatives and Ongoing Projects`

ENABLING LANGUAGE	PROJECT	OUTCOMES	TIME FRAME	COST (if any)
Recommendations	Continue to review the following issues brought before the Commission and make recommendations to the Village Board: • Parking • Traffic • Transportation related items referred by the Board from other Commissions • School traffic safety plans	• Improved utilization and efficiency of on-street and off-street parking resources • Improved level of safety for pedestrians, bicyclists, and motor vehicles as they move about in the public right-of-way. • Improved level of safety for school children walking to and from school	Ongoing	from Transportation Commission fund = \$3,400/year for mailing notifications + \$1000/year for agenda printing costs + \$5,000/year for traffic consultant studies + \$600/year for staff webinar training
Recommendations	Review updated process for traffic calming petitions based on recommended strategies in the Vision Zero plan	• Recommend modifications to the traffic calming process to align with Vision Zero plan	Due by 2nd quarter of 2027	
Recommendations	Review draft Bike Improvement Designs	• Recommend final plans and treatments for propose bicycle improvements.	Due by 2 nd quarter of 2027	
Recommendations	Review designs for safety improvement projects that may arise from Vision Zero concept plans	• Recommend final plans and treatments for any Vision Zero concept plans that may progress to the detailed design stage in 2027	Due by 4 th quarter of 2027	
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ENABLING LANGUAGE	PROJECT	OUTCOMES	TIME FRAME	COST (if any)
Recommendations	Review School Safety plan: As needed	Recommend measures to improve safety for students around the school during arrival and dismissal times when requested by schools.	Due by 4 th quarter of 2027	
Recommendations	Provide input on potential bike-sharing program proposals stemming from the updated Bike Plan	Provide input on potential program proposals for bike-share.	Due by 4 th quarter of 2027	
Recommendations	Evaluate the effectiveness of the 2023 parking pilot expansion to select overnight on-street parking zones	Evaluate whether overnight parking access has improved for residents, particularly those in multi-family dwellings, and consider if additional parking access is possible within the operation of the overall parking system.	Due by 2 nd quarter of 2027	
Recommendations	Review southwest corner of the village for opportunities to mitigate bypass traffic from Harlem Ave and Roosevelt from using residential blocks	Recommend measures to address resident concerns regarding traffic in the southwest corner of the Village	Due by end of 2027	
Recommendations	Review a corridor that is not eligible for traffic calming petitions or on the high injury network for safety	Recommend measures to address traffic concerns in the corridor	Due by end of 2027	
Public Engagement/Education	Participate in 'A Day in Our Village'. And	Educate public on the functions of the Commission	Due by 3 rd quarter of 2027	

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	Civic Engagement Festival			
Public Engagement	Engage with Oak Park Police Dept on traffic enforcement operations	• Around schools and parks. • Neighborhood Greenways	2 Meetings in 2027	
Public Engagement	Engage with Metra, CTA and PACE	• Future plans in the Village and service levels	2027	
Recommendations	Review Data on Temporary installed diverters	• Recommend locations for permanent diverter installation	Due by 2 nd quarter of 2026	
Recommendations	Review proposed diverter at Garfield and Austin	•	Due by end of 2027	
Recommendations	Review Chicago Ave Safety Improvements	• Review recommended safety improvements on Chicago Avenue • Review parking impacts from the recommendations	Due by 2 nd quarter of 2027	

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2026 Completed Initiatives as of December 2027

ENABLING LANGUAGE	PROJECT	OUTCOMES
Recommendations	Continue to review the following issues brought before the Commission and make recommendations to the Village Board: • Parking • Traffic • Transportation related items referred by the Board from other Commissions • Various school traffic safety plans	• Made recommendations to address resident concerns received through 6 traffic calming petitions
Recommendations	E-bike, E-moto, micro mobility devices	Engage with Legal department to understand existing laws and develop Village Policies