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Subject: Delmas Closure memo and Site-Wide Focused LTA

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#### Hi Manjit and Florin,

Attached please find two documents for the Downtown West Mixed-Use Project:

- Supplemental Analysis for the Delmas Closure
- Site-wide Focused LTA

Please confirm receipt and let me know if you have any questions.



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# Memorandum

Date: April 16, 2021

To: Manjit Banwait and Florin Lapustea, City of San Jose

From: Franziska Church, Fehr & Peers

Subject: Supplemental Analysis for the Downtown West Mixed-Use Project

SJ19-1951

The Local Transportation Analysis (LTA), which was included as Appendix J2 to the Downtown West Mixed-Use Project Draft EIR includes analysis to support the closure of two street segments that are currently part of the City's Transportation Diagram, including Delmas Avenue between Santa Clara Street and San Fernando Street. The analysis presented in the LTA provides an assessment of how this segment of Delmas Avenue primarily serves as an access point to the existing surface parking lots and has a low demand for through traffic. Existing through traffic was mainly observed to come from the eastbound right-turn lane from Santa Clara Street onto Delmas Avenue; though with the conversion of Autumn Street<sup>1</sup> to a two-way street, Delmas Avenue will have low demand for through traffic.

This memo provides supplemental information that evaluates operations of Autumn Street with the removal of Delmas Avenue under future conditions with the full buildout of the project.

# **Background**

Delmas Avenue currently is a two-lane roadway that runs west of and parallel to SR-87 between West Santa Clara Street and Auzerais Street. As proposed, the Project would eliminate vehicle through access for the approximately 700-foot segment of Delmas Avenue between West Santa Clara Street and San Fernando Street. Through access would be provided for pedestrians and bicyclists only. The southern portion of the removed segment of Delmas Avenue would be reconfigured as a private street/driveway from West San Fernando Street. This new private street would connect with two new private streets between West San Fernando Street and West Santa

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> It should be noted that San Jose City Council in January 2021 renamed Autumn Street to Barack Obama Boulevard.

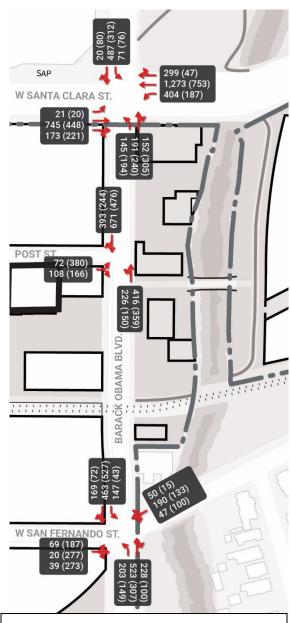


Clara. These new streets would provide parking access to the proposed development on the portion of the Project area between Los Gatos Creek and the Guadalupe River.

# **Analysis Scenario**

To evaluate operation of Autumn Street under future conditions, traffic volumes from the Background Plus Project Buildout scenario (LTA Scenario 2c) were modified to account for the full Transportation Demand Management (TDM) commitment required by mitigation measure AQ-2h, Enhanced Transportation Demand Management Program.<sup>2</sup> Figure 1 to the right illustrates the AM and PM peak hour volumes along Autumn Street between Santa Clara Street and San Fernando Street.

The background no project volumes (to which traffic from Downtown West are added) represent existing volumes plus traffic from "approved but not yet built" and "not occupied" developments in the area per the City's Approved Trip Inventory (ATI). It should be noted that the existing volumes and trips from the City's ATI do not account for any shifts from non-single occupancy vehicles (non-SOV) that would occur in the project area with the planned investments in pedestrian, bicycle, and transit infrastructure and services by DTW, the City, Caltrain, and BART. Ultimately, the project area would need to achieve a achieve a 75 percent non-SOV mode split to achieve the City's full vision of Envision San José. Thus, traffic volumes are likely overstated and represent a conservative analysis.



**Figure 1:** AM and PM Peak Hour Intersection Turning Movement Volumes and Geometries

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The original analysis presented in the LTA attached to the Draft EIR accounts for an approximately 18 percent trip reduction due a basic TDM program and does not include the additional nine percentage points required by the EIR TDM mitigation measure.



# **Street Capacity Level of Service**

To evaluate whether Autumn Street could accommodate any shift in traffic volumes from the Delmas Street closure, a daily volume roadway capacity analysis was conducted. While the City does not apply LOS analysis for facilities in the downtown core, the roadway capacity analysis was only conducted to evaluate the effect of the proposed closure of Delmas Street. Using the peak hour volumes presented in **Figure 1** daily roadway volumes were estimated for Autumn Street as presented in **Table 1**. Daily roadway volumes estimates were used to develop planning level LOS based on urban street capacities summarized in Exhibit 16-16 in the HCM 6th Edition.

Table 1: Autumn Street Daily Traffic Estimates – Background Plus Project Buildout

Street Segment	AM Peak Hour	PM Peak Hour	Estimated Daily Volumes <sup>1</sup>	Daily LOS <sup>2</sup>	
Autumn St between Santa Clara Street and Post Street	1,550	1,460	15,050	E	
Autumn St between Post Street and San Fernando Street	1,420	1,150	12,850	E	

#### Notes:

- 1. Daily volumes estimate assume that the AM and PM peak hour each represent ten percent of daily traffic ((AM peak hour + PM peak hour)/20%).
- 2. Daily LOS based on Exhibit 16-16 of the Highway Capacity Manual, 6<sup>th</sup> Edition. Source: Fehr & Peers, April 2021.

Based on the HCM 6th Edition, two-lane streets with roadway volumes up to 16,400 vehicles would operate at LOS E. Autumn Street's projected daily volumes are within the acceptable range (i.e., not LOS F) and the roadway closure of Delmas Avenue is not expected to have an adverse effect on the Autumn Street.

# **Intersection Queueing Analysis**

In addition to the daily roadway capacity analysis presented above, the intersections on Autumn Street at Santa Clara Street and San Fernando Street were evaluated for queuing during the morning and evening peak hours.

The operations analysis was conducted using Synchro/SimTraffic. The TRAFFIX software is typically used to evaluate City of San Jose intersection operations. TRAFFX is a macro simulation tool used to determine intersection level of service (LOS) per the Highway Capacity Manual and identify adverse effects per Council Policy 5-1. TRAFFIX evaluates intersections in isolation without considering the operations of adjacent or nearby intersections. Therefore, to capture the interaction between closely spaced intersections, the simulation module of the Synchro software, SimTraffic, was used to evaluate the two intersections along Autumn Parkway.



SimTraffic is a microsimulation tool used to model the behavior of individual vehicles on the roadway and identify operational constraints that can occur at an intersection, or between multiple intersections, such as queuing and queue spillback. SimTraffic is not used by the City to determine LOS. However, SimTraffic modeling is included in this memo for informational purposes to support the City identifying operational constraints within the Project area.

The study area is within the City's Downtown Core and does not have established LOS thresholds per Council Policy 5-3. Therefore, the Synchro/SimTraffic analysis software was used to evaluate intersection turn-lane queuing and intersection LOS is not analyzed.

#### **Intersection Queueing Results**

The results of the left-turn queuing analysis for the intersections on Autumn Street at Santa Clara Street and San Fernando Street are presented below in **Table 2**. **Attachment A** includes the detailed calculation sheets from SimTraffic.

**Table 2: Autumn Street Intersection Queuing Analysis – Background Plus Project Buildout** 

Intersection		Movement <sup>1</sup>	Available Storage <sup>2</sup>	Queue Estimates in Feet <sup>3</sup>					
				АМ		PM			
				Average	95th	Average	95th		
	Santa Clara Street/Autumn Street	NBL	300 feet	120	200	120	220		
		SBL	160 feet	100	<u>220</u>	60	160		
Α		EBL	60 feet	60	<u>120</u>	40	<u>80</u>		
		WBL	220 feet	<u>240</u>	<u>260</u>	180	<u>260</u>		
В	San Fernando Street/Autumn Street	NBL	120 feet	100	<u>160</u>	120	<u>160</u>		
В		SBL	100 feet	100	<u>140</u>	40	100		

#### Notes:

- 1. NBL = northbound left-turn; SBL = southbound left-turn, EBL = eastbound left-turn WBL = westbound left-turn, NBR = northbound left-turn, SBR = southbound right-turn, EBR = eastbound right-turn, WBR = westbound right-turn
- 2. Storage length is the length of the longest left turn lane.
- 3. Queue length is measured in feet for average and longest 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queue length based on SimTraffic analysis

**Bold/underlined** text indicates projected queue length exceeds available storage length. Source: Fehr & Peers, March 2021.



### **Intersection Queueing Analysis**

This section discusses each intersection where the average and/or 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues exceed available storage capacity. In SimTraffic, the average queue is the average of the maximum queues every 2 minutes observed during the simulation. The 95th percentile queue length is a factor (1.65) times the average queue length (assumes queue length is normally distributed). The Highway Capacity Manual recommends that turn pockets be designed to accommodate the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queue, to the extent possible. Average queues are presented for informational purposes to illustrate whether, on average, the provided turn pockets can accommodate projected queues. Ideally, all average queues can be accommodated within available storage capacity, otherwise it would indicate consistent queuing and queue spillback issues at a given location.

#### A. Autumn Street/Santa Clara Street

At this signalized intersection, the average queues can be accommodated within the provided storage capacity for all movements during both peak hours, except for the westbound left-turn during the AM peak hour; thought the average queue only exceeds available storage by about 20 feet (i.e., less than one car length). For this same location, the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queue exceeds available storage by 40 feet. To the extent feasible, the westbound left-turn pocket should be extended to accommodate the AM and PM peak hour queues. The turn pocket extension would need to be coordinated with the design and placement of the proposed pedestrian crossing at the Guadalupe River to ensure the left-turn pocket does not extend through the pedestrian crossing. The final design of the pedestrian crossing and length of the westbound left-turn at Autumn Parkway will be determined under future analysis.

The 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues for the eastbound left-turn exceed available storage capacity by 60 and 20 feet during the AM and PM peak hours, respectively. There is not additional right-of-way to lengthen the turn-pocket, without reducing the westbound left-turn pocket length at Montgomery Street. The final design of the eastbound left-turn at Autumn Parkway should be balanced with the queue estimates for the westbound left-turn at Montgomery Parkway to maximize operations along the Santa Clara Street corridor.

#### B. Autumn Street/San Fernando Street

At this signalized intersection, the average queues can be accommodated within the provided storage capacity for all movements during both peak hours. Based on the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues, the proposed northbound and southbound left-turn pockets would ideally be extended to accommodate the projected queue estimates at the northbound approach and southbound approaches. The final design of the northbound and southbound left-turn pockets will be determined under future focused LTAs.



# **Summary**

Based on the capacity analyses presented in this supplemental memorandum Autumn Street would operate within acceptable range. Operationally, the final design of turn pockets within the study area will be finalized; though no excessive queuing was observed in the analysis that would indicate the need for added roadway capacity (i.e., added through or left-turn lanes); thus the segment of Delmas Avenue between Santa Clara Street and San Fernando Street could be vacated to through traffic.

While the data indicates that the closure of Delmas Avenue would not result in any through traffic diversion, it should be noted that the Project includes a neighborhood traffic intrusion plan that would address any neighborhood cut-through traffic concerns.



# Site-Wide Focused LTA

Date: April 16, 2021

To: Manjit Banwait and Florin Lapustea, City of San Jose

From: Franziska Church, Fehr & Peers

Subject: Focused Local Transportation Analysis for the Vesting Tentative Map to verify

Right-of-Way for the Internal Roadway Network for the Downtown West

**Mixed-Use Project – Admin Draft** 

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The Local Transportation Analysis (LTA), which was included as Appendix J2 to the Downtown West Mixed-Use Project (DTW Project) Draft EIR includes an analysis of a total of over 50 intersections within the cities of San Jose and Santa Clara. The LTA in the Draft EIR focused on study intersections external to the DTW Project area to evaluate potential adverse intersection effects for vehicles traveling to/from the project area. This site-wide focused LTA (FLTA) presents an analysis to verify that the vesting tentative map (VTM) right-of-way for internal roadways are sufficient and no added roadway width is needed to provide additional capacity to address any operational constraints. Specifically, this site-wide FLTA evaluates intersection queuing within the DTW Project area under Background plus Project conditions at full buildout of the project consistent with Council Policy 5-1 and guidelines outlined in the City's Transportation Analysis Handbook (2018). This site-wide Focused LTA studies all roadway changes proposed by the DTW Project. If the project sponsor proposes material deviations from the VTM that were not analyzed in this memo then supplemental FLTA would be needed. Future FLTAs, prepared to provide additional building-specific analysis, would refine the considerations addressed in this site-wide FLTA and provide specific recommendations about intersection control types, lane geometries, turn pocket lengths, and other operational considerations.



# **Analysis Scenario**

The DTW Project area encompasses approximately 80 acres in downtown San José, west of State Route (SR) 87, north of Interstate (I) 280 in the vicinity of the Diridon Station and future Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART) station, and future High-Speed Rail (HSR) facility, as shown in **Figure 1**.

To evaluate operation of the proposed internal roadway network, traffic volumes from the Background Plus Project Buildout scenario (LTA Scenario 2c) were modified to account for the full trip reductions due to the Transportation Demand Management (TDM) commitment required by mitigation measure AQ-2h, *Enhanced Transportation Demand Management Program*.<sup>1</sup>

In addition, the Background volumes were modified to include up to one million square feet of office development on the Caltrain parcels bounded by Post Street to the north, Montgomery Street to the east, San Fernando Street to the south, and Cahill Street to the west. The amount of development for the Caltrain parcels is a general assumption, since there currently are no approved or pending development applications. While background scenarios typically only include approved developments, we assume these parcels will be developed at some point in the future. Specifically, we included traffic assumptions for these vacant Caltrain parcels because they are located in center of the DTW Project area and traffic generated by these parcels will affect overall circulation within the DTW Project area.

The background no project volumes (to which traffic from Downtown West are added) represent existing volumes plus traffic from "approved but not yet built" and "not occupied" developments in the area per the City's Approved Trip Inventory (ATI). It should be noted that the existing volumes, as well as trips from the City's ATI and Caltrain parcels do not account for any shifts from non-single occupancy vehicles (non-SOV) that would occur in the project area with the planned investments in pedestrian, bicycle, and transit infrastructure and services by DTW, the City, Caltrain, and BART. Ultimately, the project area would need to achieve a achieve a 75 percent non-SOV mode split to achieve the City's full vision of *Envision San José*. Thus, traffic volumes are likely overstated and represent a conservative analysis.

**Figure 2** illustrate the AM and PM peak hour volumes along with the lane geometry assumptions for the intersection within DTW Project area.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The analysis presented in the external LTA attached to the Draft EIR accounted for an approximately 18 percent trip reduction due a basic TDM program and did not include the additional nine percent reduction required by the EIR TDM mitigation measure.



# **Analysis Software Tools**

The TRAFFIX software is typically used to evaluate City of San Jose intersection operations. TRAFFX is a macro simulation tool used to determine intersection level of service (LOS) per the Highway Capacity Manual and identify adverse effects per Council Policy 5-1. TRAFFIX evaluates intersections in isolation without considering the operations of adjacent or nearby intersections. Therefore, to capture the interaction between closely spaced intersections, the simulation module of the Synchro software, SimTraffic, was used to evaluate the internal roadway network.

SimTraffic is a microsimulation tool used to model the behavior of individual vehicles on the roadway and identify operational constraints that can occur at an intersection, or between multiple intersections, such as queuing and queue spillback. SimTraffic is not used by the City to determine LOS. However, per City request, SimTraffic modeling is included in the internal roadway FLTA for informational purposes to support the City in identifying operational constraints within the DTW Project area.

All the internal intersections are within the Downtown Core and do not have established LOS thresholds per Council Policy 5-3. Therefore, the Synchro/SimTraffic analysis software was used to evaluate intersection turn-lane queuing and intersection LOS is not analyzed.

# **Intersection Queueing Analysis**

The results of the turn-lane queuing analysis for the twelve internal intersections are presented below in **Table 3**. **Attachment A** includes the detailed output sheets from SimTraffic.

In SimTraffic, the average queue is the average of the maximum queues every 2 minutes observed during the simulation. The 95th percentile queue length is a factor (1.65) times the average queue length (assumes queue length is normally distributed).

Table 1: Intersection Queuing Analysis – Background Plus Project Buildout – with Full TDM

Intersection		Moveme nt <sup>1</sup>	Control <sup>2</sup>	Available Storage <sup>3</sup>	Queue Estimates in Feet <sup>4</sup>				
					АМ		PM		
		"		Storage	Average	95 <sup>th</sup>	Average	95th	
1	Autumn St/St. John Street	EBTL	AWSC	260	100	200	100	220	
		WBTL	AWSC	820	620	720	180	380	
		NBTL	AWSC	580	380	<u>660</u>	300	<u>600</u>	
		SBTL	AWSC	140	140	<u>200</u>	120	<u>240</u>	
2		EBT	Signal	440	440	<u>460</u>	140	240	



		WBL	Protected	220	200	<u>260</u>	140	220
	Cahill St/Santa	WBT	Signal	220	220	<u>260</u>	120	200
Cal		NBL	Protected	160	120	<u>200</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>260</u>
	ara St	NBT	Signal	300	120	220	260	<u>360</u>
		SBL	Protected	160	80	<u>180</u>	60	140
		SBT	Signal	240	240	<u>260</u>	80	140
	Montgomery	EBT	Signal	220	200	<u>280</u>	20	80
3 St/ St	/Santa Clara	WBT	Signal	240	100	220	20	100
		EBL	Protected	60	60	<u>120</u>	40	<u>80</u>
		EBT	Signal	240	<u>260</u>	<u>320</u>	200	<u>280</u>
		WBL	Protected	220	<u>240</u>	<u>260</u>	180	<u>260</u>
	itumn St/	WBT	Signal	260	<u>340</u>	<u>360</u>	220	<u>320</u>
4 Sar	nta Clara St	NBL	Protected	300	120	200	120	220
		NBT	Signal	300	200	<u>340</u>	280	<u>360</u>
		SBL	Protected	160	100	<u>220</u>	60	160
		SBT	Signal	580	400	560	220	400
		EBT	Uncontrolled	200	20	60	20	40
_ De	Delmas Ave/	WBL	Yield	120	<u>140</u>	<u>220</u>	60	100
5 Sar	nta Clara St	WBT	Uncontrolled	340	<u>400</u>	<u>440</u>	n/a	n/a
		NBTL	SSSC	160	160	160	40	80
		EBL	Signal	100	100	<u>120</u>	<u>160</u>	<u>180</u>
h i	Autumn St/ Post Ave	NBTL	Permitted	320	320	<u>400</u>	280	<u>400</u>
	St AVC	SBT	Signal	300	140	260	160	300
		WBTL	Stop	80	60	<u>100</u>	80	<u>120</u>
/	Cahill St/San Fernando St	NBTL	Uncontrolled	180	20	60	n/a	n/a
1 61	manao st	SBTL	Uncontrolled	640	60	200	640	80
		EBTL	Permitted	140	120	<u>160</u>	140	140
		WBTL	Permitted	240	160	240	160	240
	itumn St/	NBL	Protected	120	100	<u>160</u>	120	<u>160</u>
8 Sar St	n Fernando	NBT	Signal	120	<u>260</u>	<u>380</u>	<u>280</u>	<u>380</u>
		SBL	Protected	120	100	<u>140</u>	40	100
		SBT	Signal	240	180	<u>280</u>	220	<u>300</u>
		WBTL	SSSC	340	60	80	60	80
9	hill St/New	SBTL	Uncontrolled	300	60	120	60	140
30	Street	NBT	Uncontrolled	140	<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>	20	60



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10	Autumn St/ New Street	EBTL	SSSC	340	80	180	100	220
		NBL	Yield	160	80	160	80	160
		NBT	Uncontrolled	320	140	320	120	300
		SBT	Uncontrolled	280	120	240	180	<u>380</u>
	Park Ave/ Cahill St	EBL	Protected	520	480	<u>720</u>	240	480
		EBTR	Permitted	690	<u>900</u>	<u>940</u>	440	680
11		WBTL	Permitted	260	200	<u>320</u>	180	<u>280</u>
		NBTL	Permitted	160	20	40	40	60
		SBTL	Permitted	160	140	<u>200</u>	120	<u>200</u>
	Park Ave/Bird Ave-Autumn St	EBL	Permitted	260	260	260	240	<u>300</u>
		EBT	Signal	260	100	180	100	180
		WBL	Protected	120	100	<u>180</u>	<u>160</u>	<u>200</u>
		WBT	Signal	900	220	440	460	780
12		NBL	Protected	220	<u>300</u>	<u>360</u>	140	220
		NBT	Signal	220	<u>280</u>	<u>380</u>	240	<u>260</u>
		SBL	Protected	120	40	100	120	<u>200</u>
		SBT	Signal	320	320	<u>360</u>	320	<u>380</u>

#### Notes:

- NBL = northbound left-turn; SBL = southbound left-turn, EBL = eastbound left-turn WBL = westbound left-turn, NBR = northbound left-turn, SBR = southbound right-turn, EBR = eastbound right-turn, WBR = westbound right-turn
- 2. SSSC = side-street stop controlled; AWSC = all-way stop controlled; permitted = permitted left-turns; protected = protected left-turns.
- 3. Storage length is the length of the longest left turn lane.
- 4. Queue length is measured in feet for average and longest 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queue length based on SimTraffic analysis results.

**Bold/underlined** text indicates projected queue length exceeds available storage length. Source: Fehr & Peers, April 2021.

# **Queuing Results Summary**

To address potential queue spillback at the intersections identified in **Table 1**, ITS improvements, such as adaptive signal control, advanced signal loop detectors or video image detectors, could be implemented to improve signal operations and queuing. Most turn-pockets that exceed storage capacity cannot be extended due intersection spacing constraints. However, there are several locations where future LTAs would evaluate appropriate intersection controls and/or turn-pockets lengths within the existing and/or DTW VTM right-of-way to improve overall intersection operations:



- 1. Autumn Street<sup>2</sup>/St. John Street
- 2. Cahill Street/Santa Clara Street
- 4. Autumn Street/Santa Clara Street
- 5. Driveway Access (formally Delmas Avenue)/Santa Clara Street
- 6. Autumn Street/Post Street
- 11. Park Avenue/Cahill Street
- 12. Park Avenue/Bird Street-Autumn Street

Overall, the analysis demonstrates that the vesting VTM right-of-way for internal roadways are sufficient and no added roadway width is needed to provide additional capacity to address any operational constraints.

The section below provided a detailed discussion of each intersection and initial considerations for each of the locations. As noted earlier, Future FLTAs, prepared to provide additional building-specific analysis, would refine the considerations addressed in this site-wide FLTA and provide specific recommendations about intersection control types, lane geometries, turn pocket lengths, and other operational considerations.

#### **Queuing Discussion**

This section discusses each intersection where the average and/or 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues exceed available storage capacity. The Highway Capacity Manual recommends that turn pockets be designed to accommodate the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queue, to the extent possible. Average queues are presented for informational purposes to illustrate whether, on average, the provided turn pockets can accommodate projected queues. Ideally, all average queues can be accommodated within available storage capacity, otherwise it would indicate consistent queuing and queue spillback issues at a given location.

#### 1. Autumn Street/St. John Street

At this all-way stop controlled intersection, the average queues can be accommodated within the provided storage capacity for all movements during both peak hours. For the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues, the northbound and southbound queues exceed available storage capacity by a minimum of 100 feet in each the morning and evening peak hours. Review of the SimTraffic simulation model shows that the queues cause substantial back-up and result in many vehicles not being able to access their destinations to the north and south. Future FLTAs would determine the appropriate intersection control (i.e., side-street stop, all-way stop, roundabout, or signal

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> It should be noted that San Jose City Council in January 2021 renamed Autumn Street to Barack Obama Boulevard.



control), lane geometries, turn pocket lengths, and other operational considerations to facilitate efficient movement of vehicles within and through the DTW project area. It should be noted that this intersection is outside of the DTW project area.

#### 2. Cahill Street/Santa Clara Street

At this signalized intersection, the average queues can be accommodated within the provided storage capacity for all movements during both peak hours. During the morning peak hour, the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues are estimated to exceed the available lengths at all movements, except for the northbound through lane. The 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues exceed available storage capacity are less than 25 feet (i.e., less than a car length) at the eastbound through, southbound left-turn, and southbound through movements and no queuing concerns are identified.

For the westbound left-turn and westbound through, the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues are estimated to exceed the available storage of 220 feet by 40 feet (i.e., queue of 260 feet). The 220 feet storage represents the full length on Santa Clara between Cahill Street and Montgomery Street.

For the northbound left-turn, the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues during the AM peak hour are estimated to be 200 feet with 160 feet of available storage. The need for added storage capacity for the northbound left-turn is further supported by the estimated 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues for the PM peak hour, which are projected to be 260 feet. Future analysis would evaluate and finalize the final intersection design within VTM right-of-way, including signal control, the lane geometries, turn pocket lengths, and other operational considerations.

For the evening peak hour, the northbound left-turn and northbound through lanes exceed available storage capacity. Considerations for the northbound left-turn are discussed in previous paragraph. For the northbound through, the available storage capacity of 300 feet represents the full length of Cahill Street between Santa Clara Street and Post Street; thus, to additional right-of-way is available and not further capacity can be provided.

#### 3. Montgomery Street/Santa Clara Street

At this signalized intersection, the average queues can be accommodated within the provided storage capacity for all movements during both peak hours. For the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues, all movements can be accommodated within the provided storage capacity during the AM and PM peak hours, except for the eastbound through during the AM peak hour, where the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues are estimated at 280 feet for a 220-foot storage capacity. For the eastbound through, the available storge capacity of 220 feet represents the full length of Santa Clara Street between Montgomery Street and Cahill Street; thus, to additional right-of-way is available and not further capacity can be provided.



#### 4. Autumn Street/Santa Clara Street

At this signalized intersection, the average queues can be accommodated within the provided storage capacity for all movements during both peak hours, except for the eastbound through, westbound left-turn, and westbound through lanes during the AM peak hour. The average queues exceed available storage by about 20 feet at the eastbound through and westbound left-turn movements; and 80 feet for the westbound through movement. For these same three locations, the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues exceed available storage by 40, 60, and 100 feet, respectively. Storage for the eastbound through movement cannot be extended, since it represents the full length to adjacent intersections at Montgomery Street. For the westbound through, the storage length represents the distance to proposed at-grade pedestrian crossing at the Guadalupe River. Ideally, the final design of the pedestrian crossing would be as far to the east as possible.

The 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues for the eastbound left-turn exceed available storage capacity by 60 and 20 feet during the AM and PM peak hours, respectively. There is not additional right-of-way to lengthen the turn-pocket, without reducing the westbound left-turn pocket length at Montgomery Street.

Future FLTAs would evaluate and finalize the final intersection design within VTM right-of-way, including signal control, the lane geometries, turn pocket lengths, and other operational considerations. The intersection design would need to be coordinated with the proposed pedestrian crossing at the Guadalupe River.

#### 5. Driveway Access (formally Delmas Avenue)/Santa Clara Street

At this side street stop-controlled intersection with driveway access from Santa Clara Street to Block E of DTW, the westbound through and left-turns exceed available storage capacity during the AM peak hour for both the average and 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues. The westbound through cannot be extended, since it represents the full length to adjacent intersections at the northbound SR 87 off-ramp. The average and 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues are 140 and 220 feet, respectively, for the 120-foot turn pocket. The westbound left-turn pocket could be extended based on review of aerial photography; though the final design would need to be coordinated with the final driveway location.

All queues can be accommodated in the available storage during the PM peak hour.

Future FLTAs would evaluate and finalize the final intersection design, including signal control, the lane geometries, turn pocket lengths, and other operational considerations. The intersection design would need to be coordinated with the proposed pedestrian crossing at the Guadalupe River. This intersection is partially inside of the DTW project area and not subject to the VTM.



#### 6. Autumn Street/Post Street

At this signalized intersection, the average queues can be accommodated within the provided storage capacity for all movements during both peak hours, except for the eastbound shared left-/right-turn movement during the PM peak hour. The 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues also exceed available storage during the AM and PM peak hours at this intersection by 20 and 80 feet, respectively. The 100-foot storage represents the distance to the garage intersection to the west.

The northbound left-/through-lane exceed available storage capacity by 80 feet during both the AM and PM peak hours for the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues. The northbound demand is for about 230 vehicles during the AM peak hour and 150 vehicles during the PM peak hour. Based on Review of the SimTraffic simulation model, the provision of a dedicated left-turn lane would facilitate efficient movement of vehicles along the Autumn Parkway corridor within DTW. Future FLTAs would evaluate and finalize the final intersection design within the VTM right-of-way, including signal control (for the purpose of this analysis this new intersection was assumed to be signalized, but would be confirmed in future FLTAs), the lane geometries, turn pocket lengths, use of dynamic lanes along Autumn Parkway, and other operational considerations.

#### 7. Cahill Street/San Fernando Street

At this side-street stop-controlled intersection, the average and 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues can be accommodated within the provided storage capacity for all movements during both peak hours, except for the 95<sup>th</sup> queue for the westbound left-turn from San Fernando Street onto southbound Cahill Street. The estimated queues are 100 feet and 120 feet during the AM and PM peak hours, respectively. The 80-foot storage represents the distance to the garage intersection to the east. It should be noted that the average queue of 60 and 80 feet for the AM and PM peak hours, respectively, can be accommodated by the available storage.

#### 8. Autumn Street/San Fernando Street

At this signalized intersection, the average queues can be accommodated within the provided storage capacity for all movements during both peak hours, except for the northbound through lane during the AM and PM peak hours. Average queues exceed available storage by 140 feet and 160 feet during the AM and PM peak hours. The 120-foot storage represents the distance to the "New Street" intersection to the south.

#### 9. Cahill Street/New Street

The average and 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues at this side-street stop-controlled intersection can be accommodated within the provided storage capacity for all movements during both peak hours; no storage enhancements are needed.



#### 10. Autumn Street/New Street

The average and 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues at this side-street stop-controlled intersection can be accommodated within the provided storage capacity for all movements during both peak hours; except for the 95<sup>th</sup> queue for the southbound through movement along Autumn Parkway during the PM peak hour. The queues are estimated to exceed available storage by 100 feet. The 280-foot storage represents the distance to the "New Street" intersection to the north. It should be noted that the average queue of 180 feet can be accommodated by the available storage.

#### 11. Park Avenue/Cahill Street

At this signalized intersection, the average queues can be accommodated within the provided storage capacity for all movements during both peak hours, except for the eastbound through movement during the AM hour. The average queues exceed available storage by at 210 feet and the 95<sup>th</sup> queues by 250 feet. Based on Review of the SimTraffic simulation model, the queues at the eastbound approach are mostly due to the queues from the downstream intersection at Park Avenue/Bird Street-Autumn Street, which is discussed in the next section.

During the AM peak hour, the estimated 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues exceed available storage at all movements, expect for the northbound approach, which is a driveway. The queues on the eastbound approach, are due to the queues from the downstream intersection at Park Avenue/Bird Street-Autumn Street, which is discussed in the next section. The southbound queues for the shared left-/through/right-turn exceed available storage for both the AM and PM peak hours.

Future FLTAs would evaluate and finalize the final intersection design within the VTM right-of-way, including signal control (for the purpose of this analysis this new intersection was assumed to be signalized, but would be confirmed in future FLTAs), the lane geometries, turn pocket lengths, use of dynamic lanes along Cahill Street, and other operational considerations.

#### 12. Park Avenue/Bird Street-Autumn Street

At this signalized intersection, the average queues can be accommodated within the provided storage capacity for all movements during both peak hours, except for:

- Northbound left-turn (220 feet storage): 300 feet during AM peak hour
- Northbound through (220 feet storage): 280 feet during AM peak hour and 240 feet during PM peak hour
- Westbound left-turn (120 feet storage): 160 feet during PM peak hour

The 95<sup>th</sup> percentile queues exceed available storage as discussed below:

- Northbound left-turn (220 feet storage): 360 feet during AM peak hour

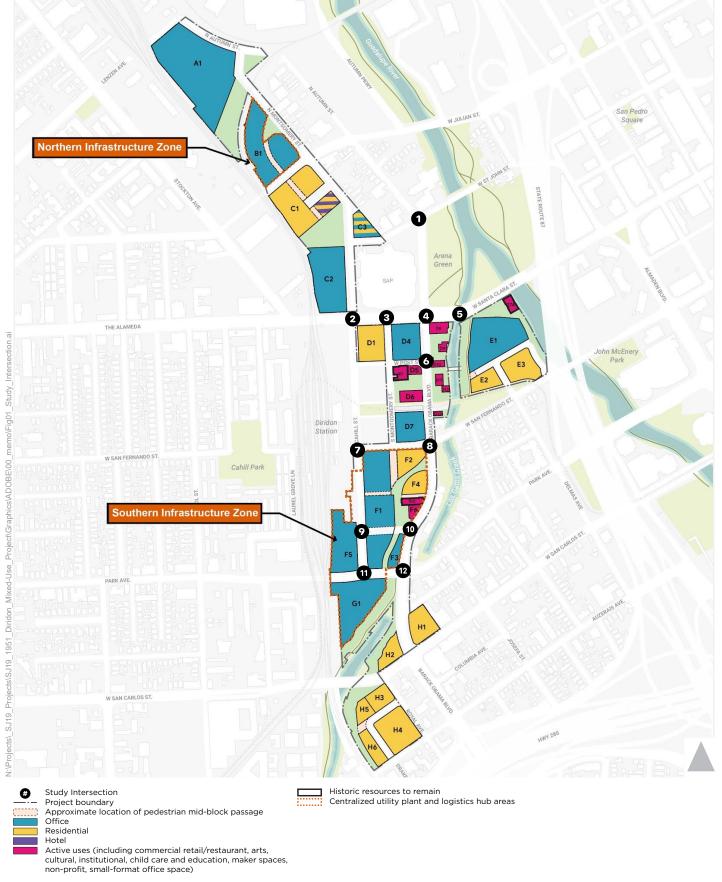


- Northbound through (220 feet storage): 380 feet during AM peak hour and 260 feet during PM peak hour
- Westbound left-turn (120 feet storage): 180 feet during AM peak hour and 200 during
  PM peak hour
- Southbound left-turn (120 feet storage): 200 feet during PM peak hour
- Southbound through (320 feet storage): 360 feet during AM peak hour and 380 feet during PM peak hour

Overall, based on Review of the SimTraffic simulation model, this intersection does not operate very efficiently. Future FLTAs would evaluate and finalize the final intersection design, including signal control, the lane geometries, turn pocket lengths, and other operational considerations. This intersection is outside of the DTW project area and not subject to the VTM.

#### **Right-Turn Lanes**

Most intersections include shared through/right-turn lanes on all approaches. Generally, dedicated right-turn lanes may need to be considered at volumes between 150 and 300 cars, depending on the number of through lanes and through vehicles. Future FLTA would evaluate the need for dedicated right-turn lanes at intersections, while balancing the need for reduced pedestrian crossing distance consistent with overall project goal to provide good pedestrian access and circulation.





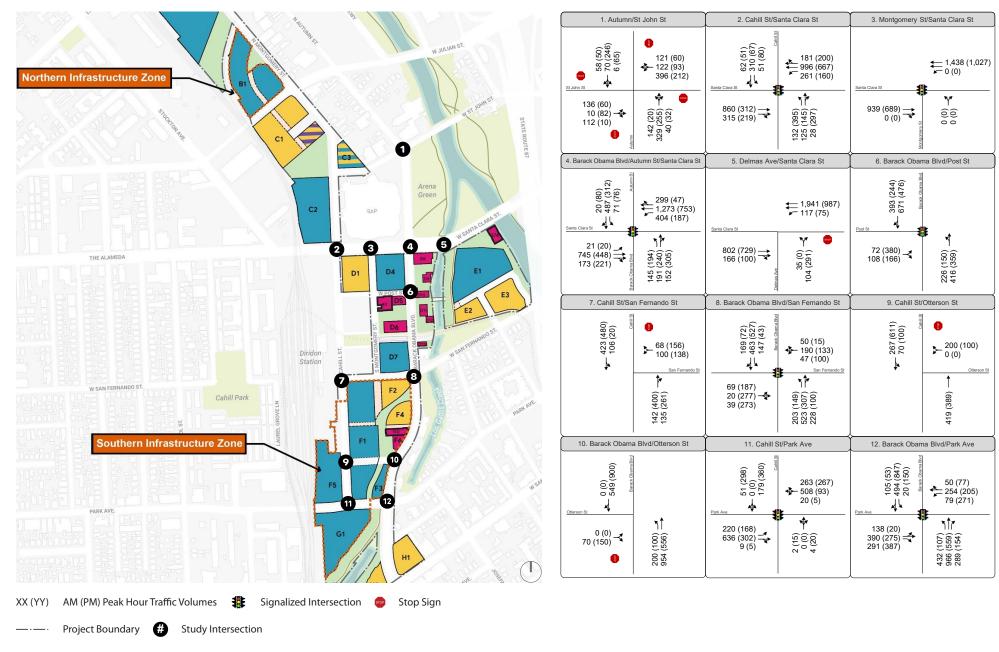




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