

July 12, 2021



City Council Presentation

Peverly Hill Road Sidewalk Improvement/Complete Street Project





Introduction/Opening Remarks

- City Staff
 - Peter Rice, PE – Director, Department of Public Works
 - Suzanne Woodland, Esq. – Deputy City Attorney
- McFarland Johnson
 - Brian Colburn, PE – Project Manager

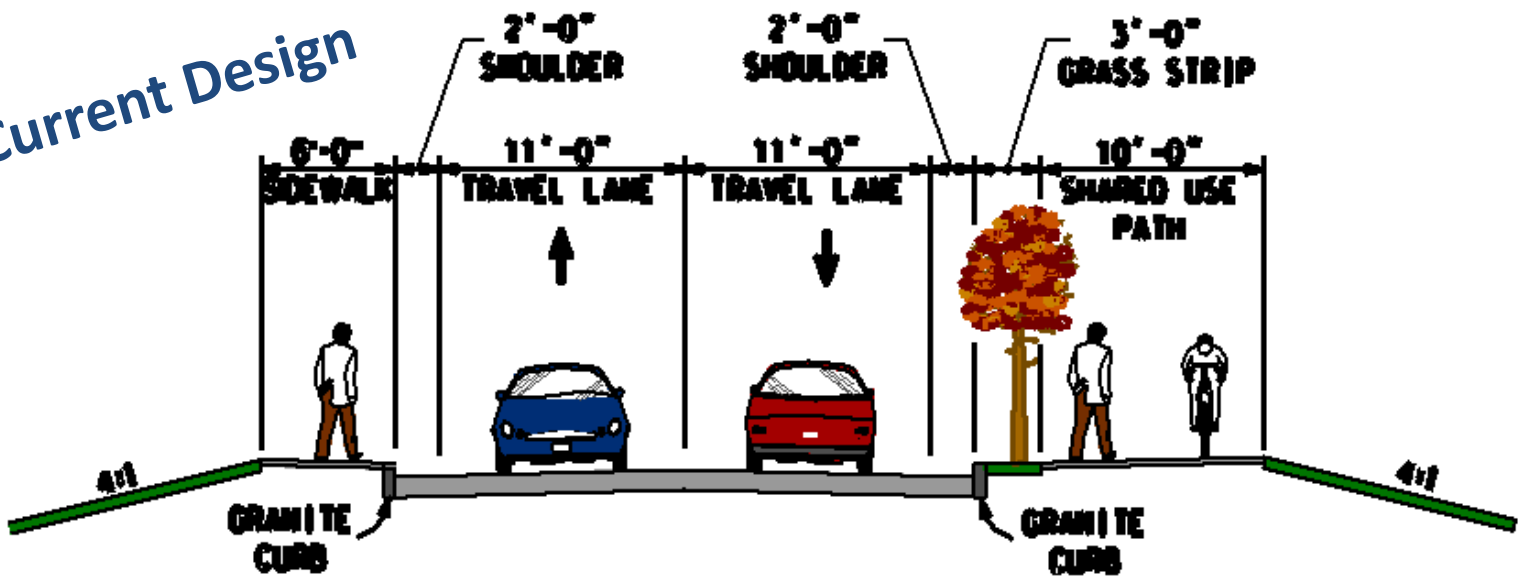


Meeting Agenda

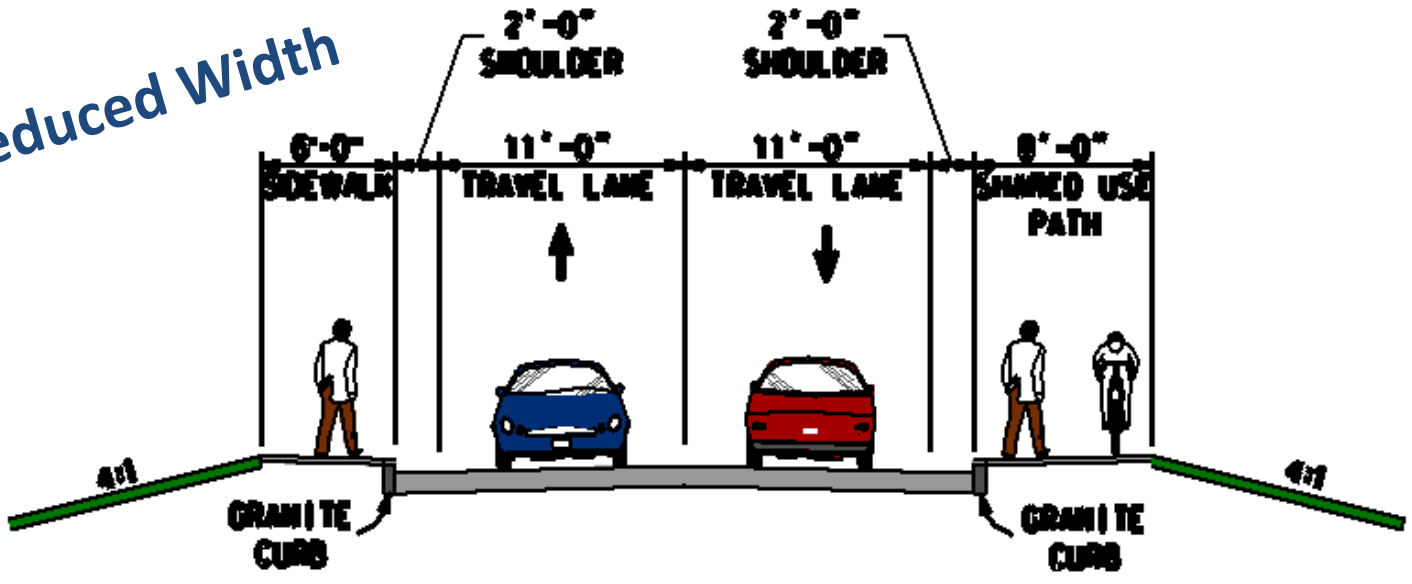
- Report Back from Public Meeting Held on June 28, 2021
- Summary of Changes Based on Resident Feedback
- Additional Alternative Explored
- Right-of-Way Discussion
- Answer Questions



Current Design

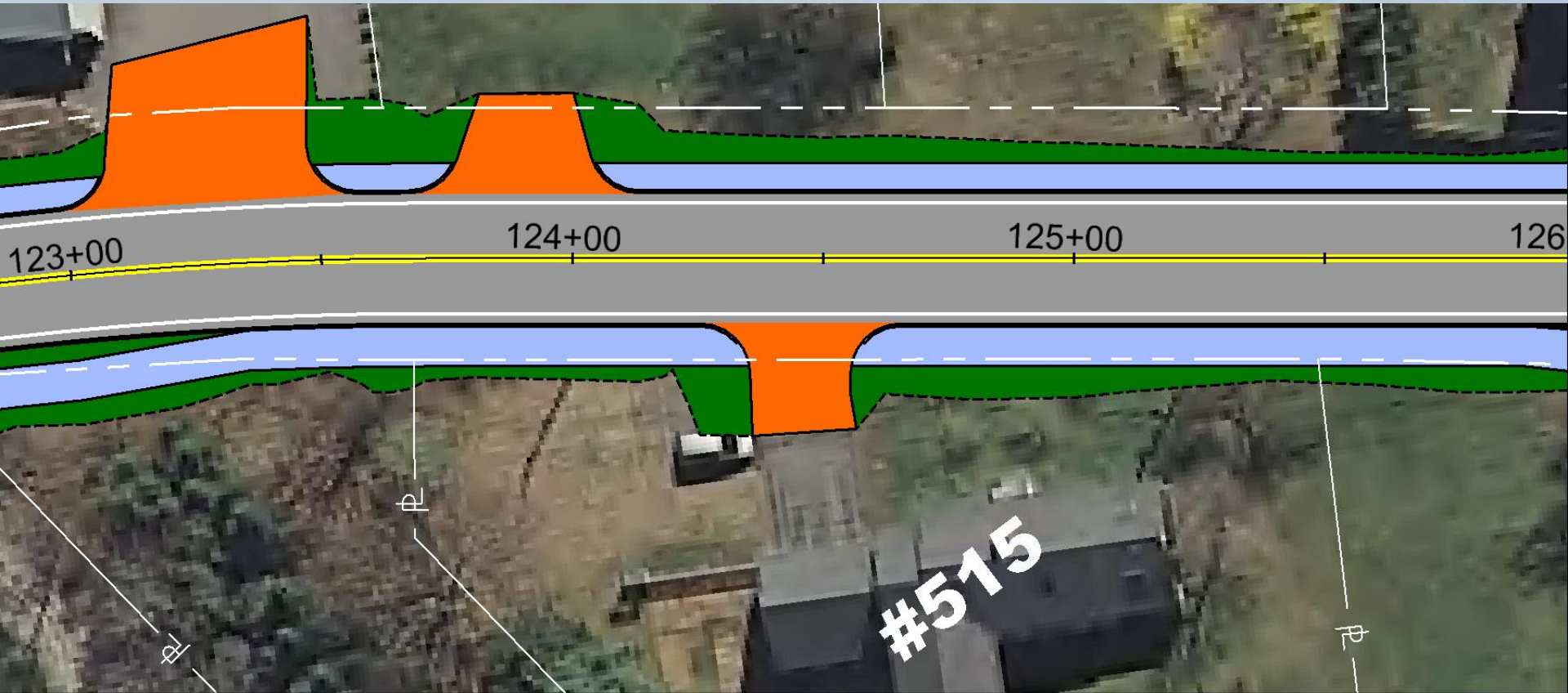


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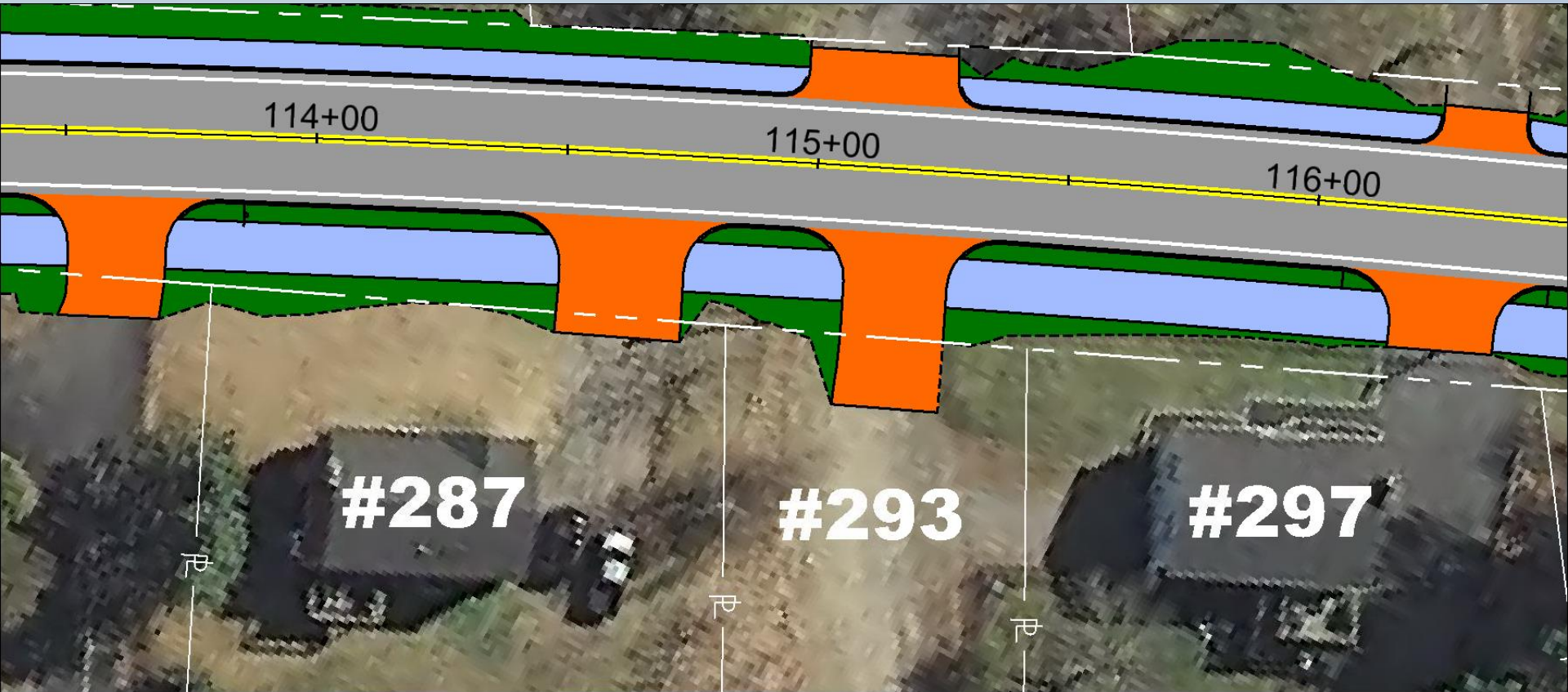


Reduced Project Width – 515 Peverly Hill Road



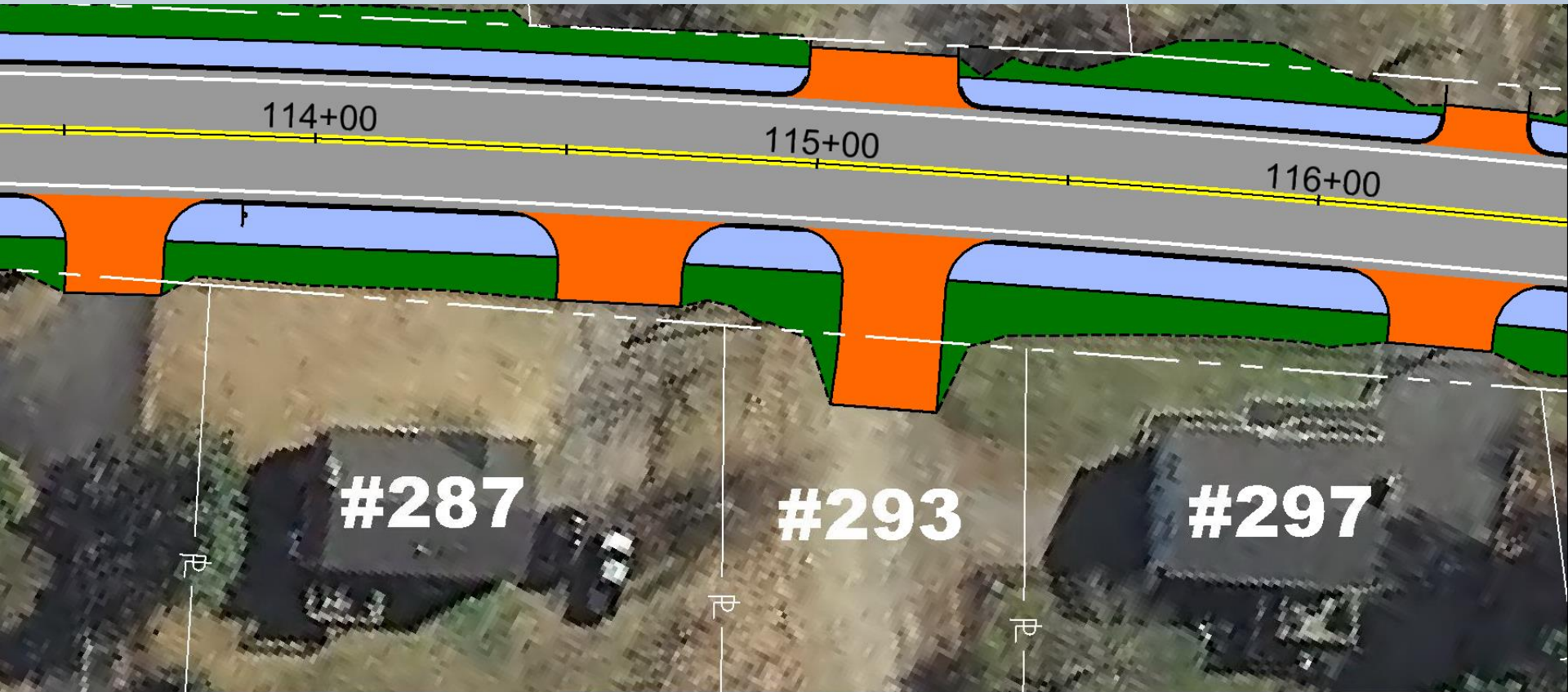


Previous Design - Sidewalk and Shared Use Path

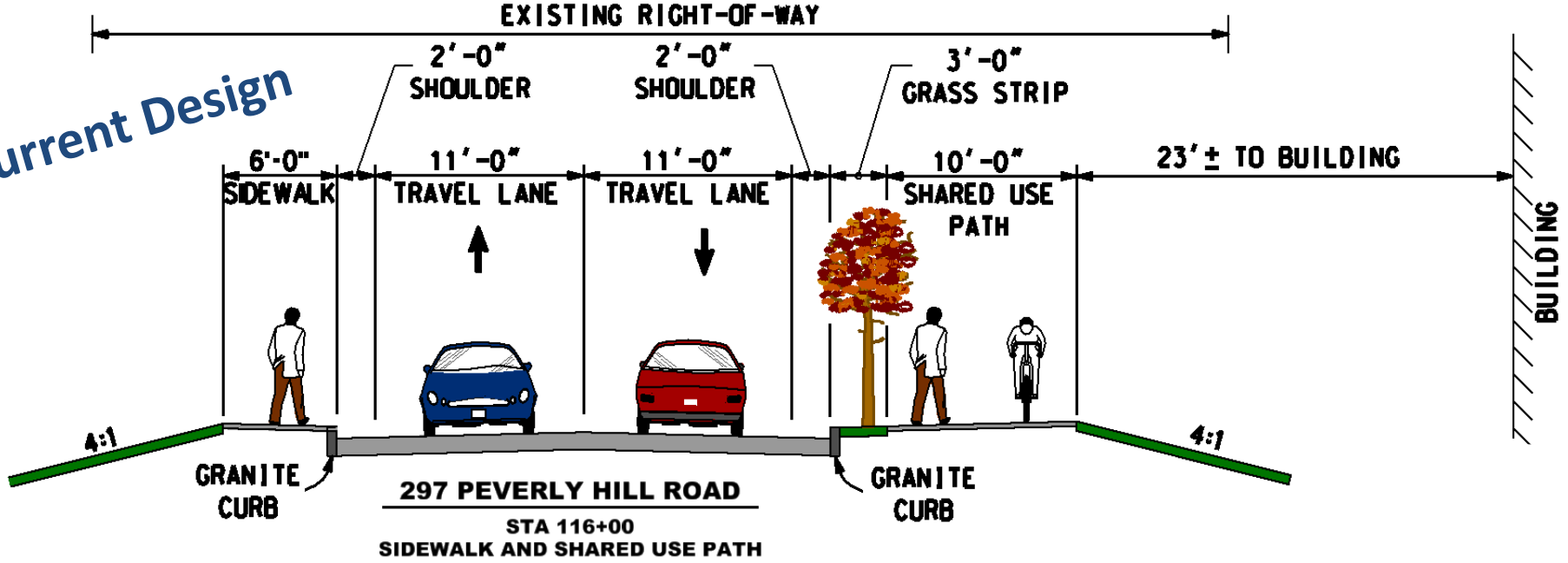




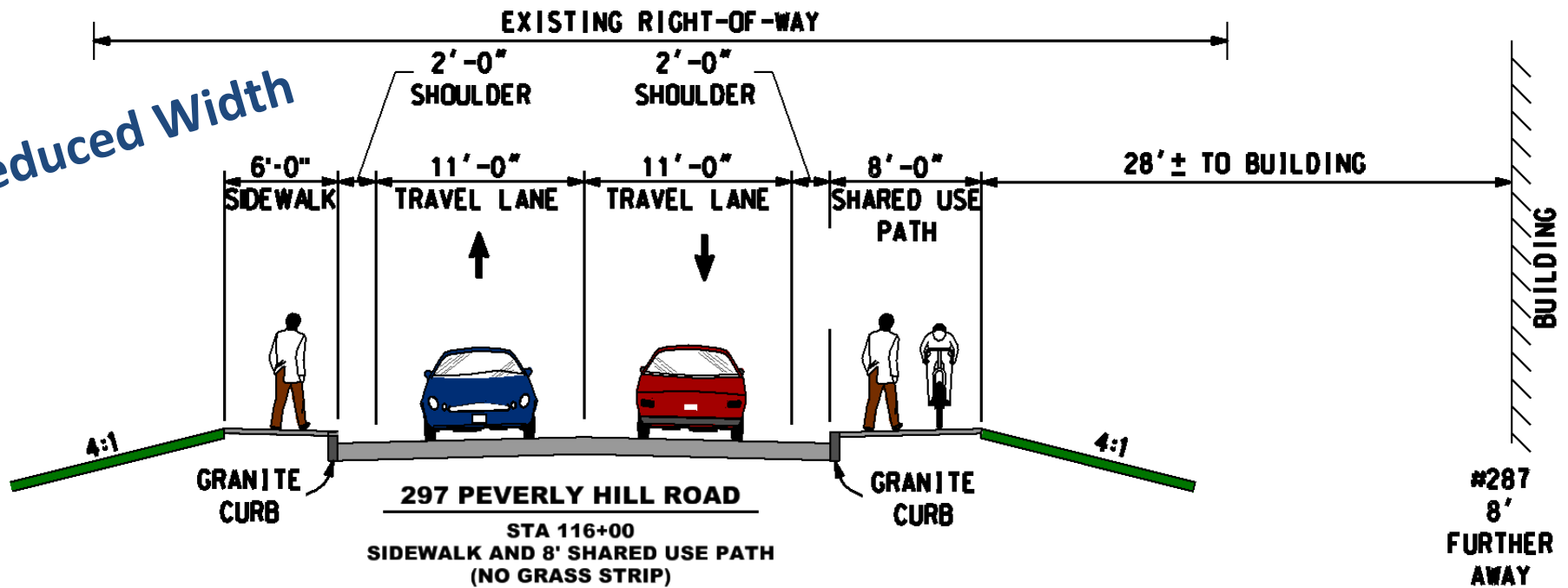
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Current Design



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Permanent Easement Summary



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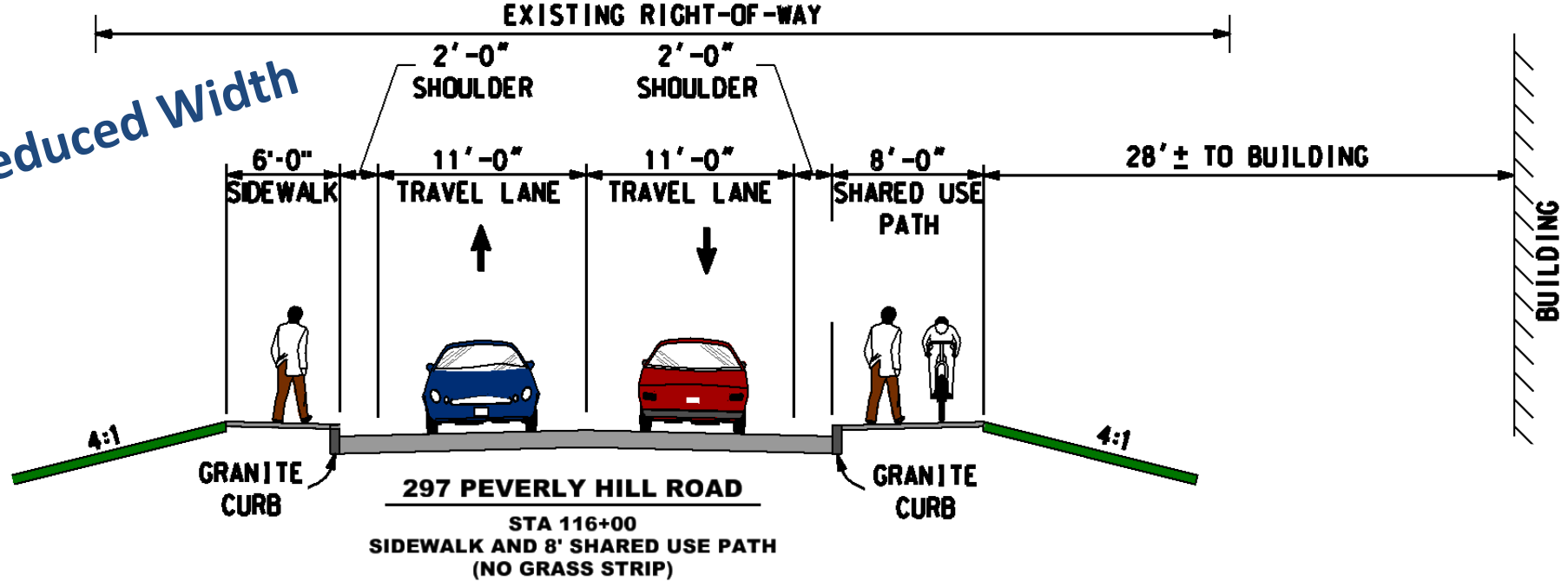
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Lot Number	Address	Easement Type	Reason for Easement
242-4	83 Peverly Hill Road	Drainage	Construct and Maintain Culverts
242-3	263 Peverly Hill Road	Sidewalk	Construct and Maintain Shared-Use Path
255-5	305 Peverly Hill Road	Sidewalk	Construct and Maintain Shared-Use Path
255-3	Peverly Hill Road	Sidewalk	Construct and Maintain Shared-Use Path
255-4	515 Peverly Hill Road	Sidewalk	Construct and Maintain Shared-Use Path
255-3-1	575 Peverly Hill Road	Sidewalk	Construct and Maintain Shared-Use Path
244-10-A	550 Peverly Hill Road	Drainage	Construct and Maintain Stormwater Treatment Area
253-4	30 Mirona Road Ext.	Sidewalk	Construct and Maintain Sidewalk
243-7	375 Greenleaf Avenue	Drainage	Construct and Maintain Stormwater Treatment Area

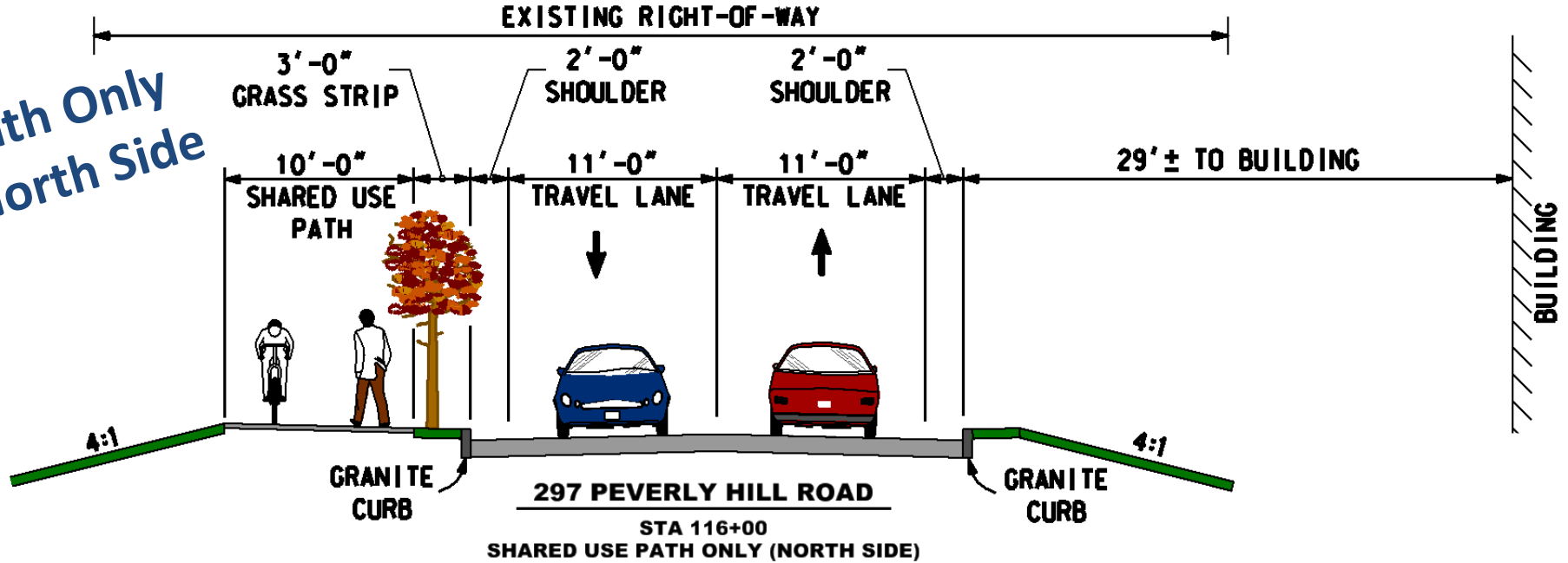


Option	Accommodate Bikes	Slows Traffic	Number of Permanent Easements Required	Necessity Required	NHDOT Funded	Schedule Impacts	Consistent w/ Complete Streets Policy	Consistent w/ Bike Ped Master Plan
Sidewalk and Shared Use Path (Current Design)	Yes	Yes	8	Yes	Yes	None	Yes	Yes
Sidewalk Only with Bicycle Lanes	Yes	No	6	Yes	Likely	1 YR	Yes	Yes
Sidewalk Only – No Bicycle Lane	No, Worse	Maybe	4	Yes	Maybe	1YR +	No	No

Reduced Width



Path Only North Side





Reasons North Side Only Path Not Preferred

- 17 Parcels & 3 Streets on North Side
- 10 Parcels & 1 Street on South Side
- Reduced Driveways and Streets is Safer
- No Ability to Limit Impacts on South Side by Reducing Path Width or Eliminating Grass Strip



Right-of-Way Process Questions

- The City Council Must Hold a Public Necessity Hearing to Advance the Project
- Any Improvement on Peverly Hill Road will Require a Public Necessity Hearing





Right-of-Way Process Questions

- A Public Necessity Hearing Provides the City with the Ability to Use Eminent Domain as Necessary
- Federal Funding does not Allow the City to Negotiate Easements Prior to a Public Necessity Hearing
- A Multi-Use Shared Path Only Option Would Still Require Permanent and Temporary Easements
- The City has Used the Eminent Domain Process for Other Recent Projects





Questions

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