

An illustration of a Metro Rail train at a station. The train is yellow and black with 'Metro Rail' and 'Go Metro' branding. It is stopped at a station platform with several people. In the background, there are buildings, palm trees, and a blue sky. A large yellow tree trunk is on the left side of the image.

Next stop: further east.

GOLD LINE EASTSIDE TRANSIT CORRIDOR PHASE 2

**East Los Angeles Station Update
and Options**

November 15, 2021

Meeting Format



Meeting will be recorded

Spanish interpretation available



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Webcams & mics to **remain off** during formal presentation

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Discounted Fares/LIFE Program

Fare collection and front door boarding resumes on buses on Jan. 10, 2022

Discounted Prices

- **Six months of half price passes for all riders!**
- 1-Day, 7-Day and 30-Day passes at half-price savings that riders can start using on Jan. 10.
 - \$3.50 for a day pass, \$12.50 for a weekly pass and \$50 for a 30-day pass if you are not enrolled in a discounted program.
- The fares will be available on TAP vending machines, taptogo.net and at Metro Customer Centers for purchase beginning Dec. 15 until July 20, 2022.

Low-Income Fare Is Easy (LIFE) Program

- Six months of discounted LIFE fares.
 - **New** LIFE riders will get 90 days of free rides starting January 10, 2022, when fare collection restarts.
 - Pay \$26 for a 30-day pass (regularly \$76).
 - Pay \$6.50 for a 7-day pass (regularly \$19.50).
 - To sign up for the LIFE Program, visit www.metro.net/riding/life/

Agenda

- > Purpose of today's meeting
- > Project Overview and Schedule
- > Station Options for Atlantic/Pomona Station
- > Atlantic/Whittier Station Update
- > Breakout Sessions

Our Expectation

We will conduct a respectful meeting to allow ideas and comments to be shared in an open and fair environment

Purpose of Today's Meeting

- > Provide a project update
- > Gather input on the Atlantic/Pomona station options
- > Update on Atlantic/Whittier Station

Project Overview

Typical Next Steps

- > Consider feedback and input from the community and stakeholders from this meeting
- > Depending on feedback, station options will continue to be studied in the environmental document
- > Project team to provide an update on community input and next steps in the environmental process including construction activities for the proposed project
 - Draft Environmental Impact Report
 - Tunnel Boring Machine (TBM)
 - Construction Staging

Draft Environmental Impact Report Update

- > In Feb 2020, Board approved the discontinuance of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and studying the project through the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)
- > 20 Environmental topics are required to be evaluated by CEQA, including impacts to communities and natural resources
- > Looks at short-term (construction), long-term (operational), and cumulative impacts of project on the environment
- > Community meetings will be scheduled prior to the release of the DEIR to inform the community
- > The DEIR is anticipated to be released in Spring/Summer 2022

Project Elements

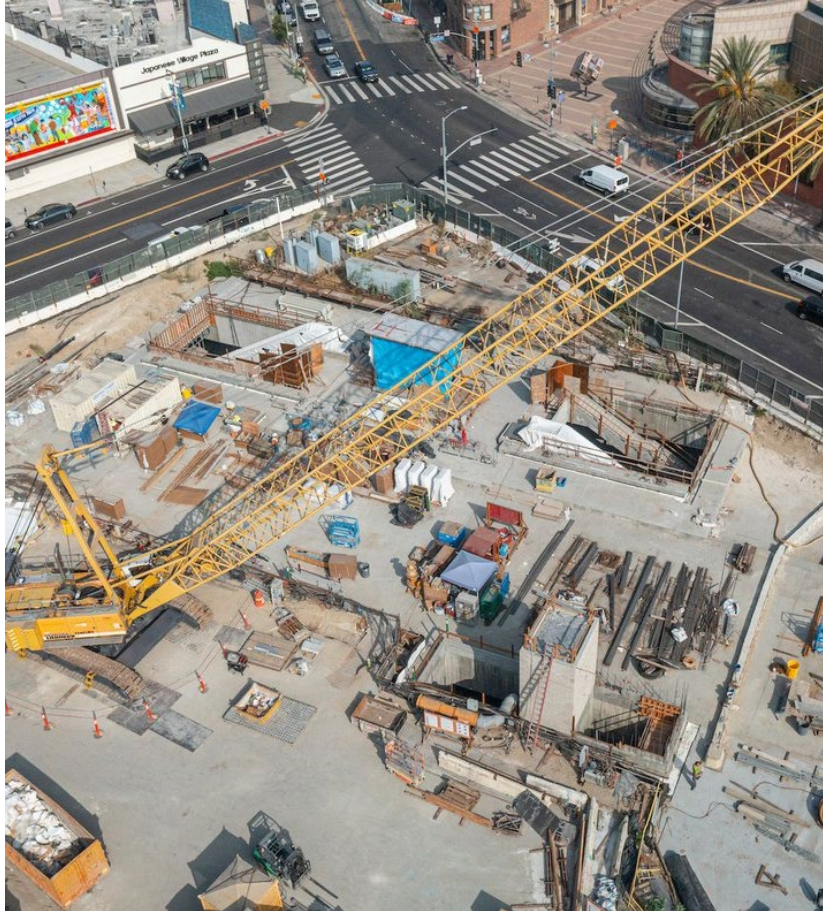


Tunnel Boring Machine (TBM)

- > Giant drill
- > Slowly drills, digging tunnels needed for an underground project
- > Unlikely that people on the surface will see, hear or feel its operation
- > Extract the TBM from East Los Angeles
- > Requires 2 acres



Project Elements



Temporary Construction Staging

- > Including staging space, equipment/material storage, construction vehicle parking, etc.
- > Requires 3 acres

Cut and Cover at Station Areas

- > Opening the ground surface to an adequate depth
- > Support or relocate existing utility lines
- > Surface opening is covered with a temporary street decking so traffic and pedestrian movement can continue overhead while excavation proceeds beneath the decking
- > Adjacent building foundations will also be supported, as necessary
- > Remaining excavated space is backfilled and the street is restored

Metro's Vision and Project Goals

Metro's vision

- > Increase prosperity for all by removing mobility barriers
- > Swift and easy mobility throughout LA County, anytime and
- > Accommodating more trips through a variety of high-quality mobility options

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Project Overview: History

| Early Planning | Environmental Review | | | |
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| 2009 | 2014 | 2017 | 2019 | 2020 |
| <p>Alternatives Analysis</p> <p>Analyzed over 47 Alternatives including routes, modes, stations and configurations</p> | <p>Draft EIS/EIR</p> <p>Two (2) light rail alternatives LPA was not selected</p> | <p>Post Draft EIS/EIR Technical Study</p> <p>Respond to comments Identified a new connection to Washington</p> | <p>Reinitiated environmental process</p> <p>Three (3) alternatives to be evaluated</p> | <p>Withdraw of SR 60 and Combined Alternatives</p> <p>Board directed staff to evaluate the Washington Alternative Discontinued NEPA</p> |

Project Overview: Washington Alternative



Measure M Expenditure Plan

CYCLE 1

Washington Alternative
State, Local and Other Funding
Total: \$3B

Groundbreaking
2029

Expected Opening Date
2035

CYCLE 2

Second Alignment (TBD)
State, Local, Federal and Other Funding
Measure M
Total: \$3B

Groundbreaking
2053

Expected Opening Date
2057

Project Overview: Measure M Project Timeline



 **ONGOING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
PARTICIPACIÓN PÚBLICA CONTINUA

Eastside Transit Corridor Phase 2 is a four-pillar project. Schedule is subject to change per Metro Board directio

Atlantic/Pomona

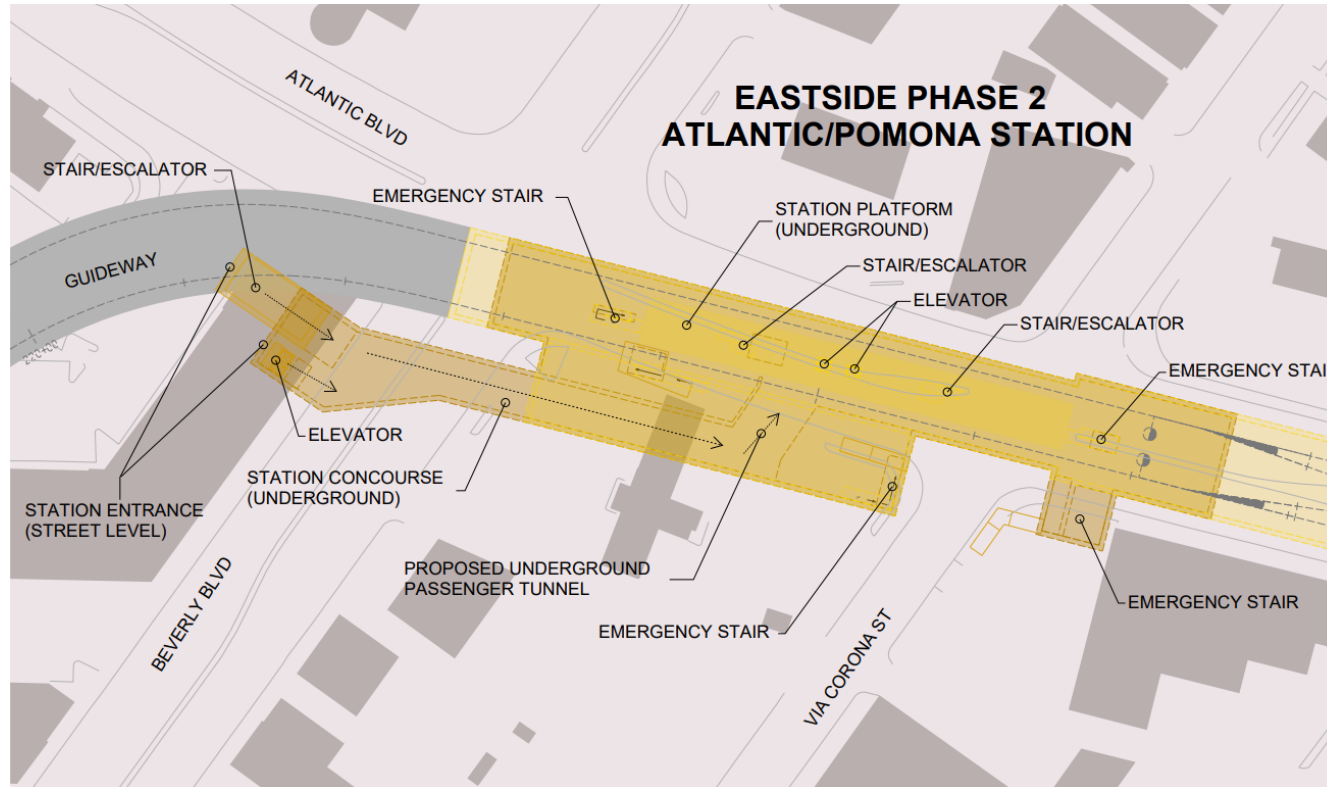
Design Opportunities and Considerations

- > Underground segment begins at Atlantic and Pomona
- > Re-evaluate the existing station and other design options
- > Remain underground
- > Evaluate community benefits and impacts

Atlantic/Pomona



Atlantic/Pomona Covered Underground Station



- > Station access on Atlantic Bl
- > Requires temporary construction and street closures on Atlantic Bl
- > Location provides station access and connection to two streets: Atlantic Bl and Beverly Bl
- > Air circulation needs
- > Accessibility (ADA)
- > Further from existing parking structure

Examples of Covered Stations

Vermont/Santa Monica Station



North Hollywood Station



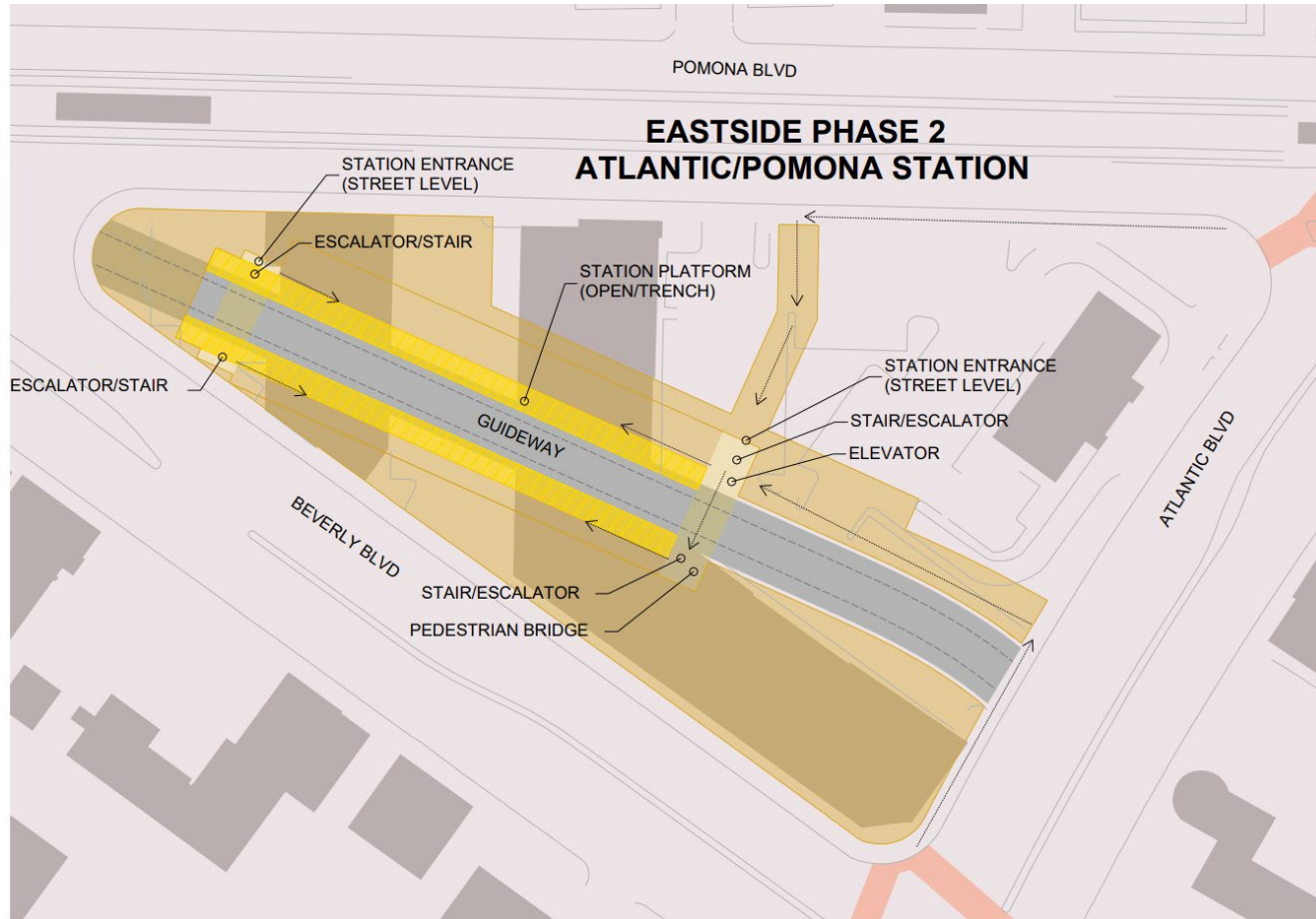
Mariachi Plaza Station



Atlantic/Pomona Open Underground Station



Atlantic/Pomona Open Underground Station



- > Natural ventilation
- > Improve pedestrians and bicyclist connections
- > Accessibility (ADA)
- > Could reduce temporary on-street construction work on Atlantic Bl
- > Reduction of temporary street closures on Atlantic Bl
- > Location provides station access and connection to three key streets: Pomona Bl, Beverly Bl, and Atlantic Bl
- > Close to existing parking structure

Examples of Open Stations

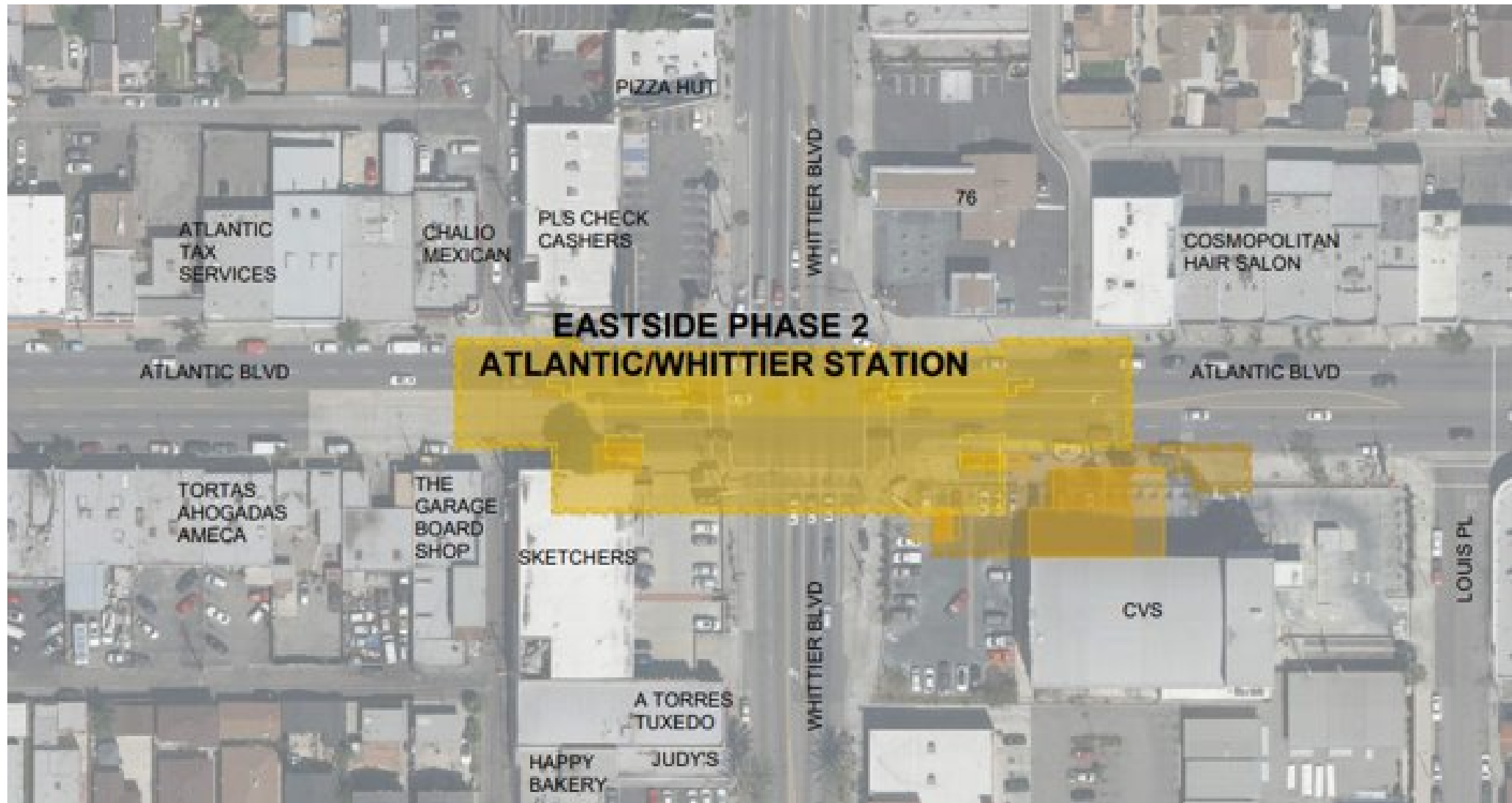
Memorial Park Station City of Pasadena



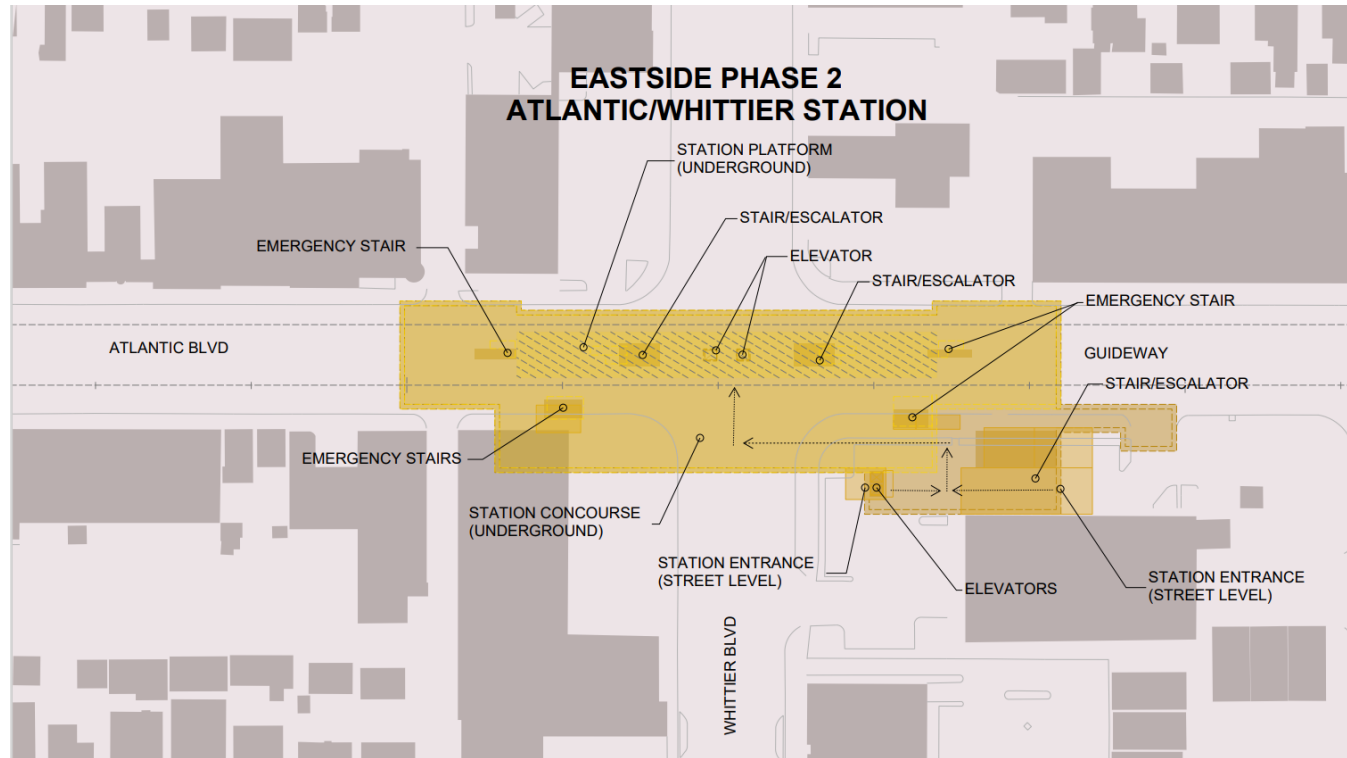
Atlantic/Pomona Station

- > Is the Open Underground option worth moving forward into environmental review process and design to further study community impacts?
- > Final station decision would be made later
- > Please provide feedback during the breakout sessions

Atlantic/Whittier – South/West Corner (CVS)



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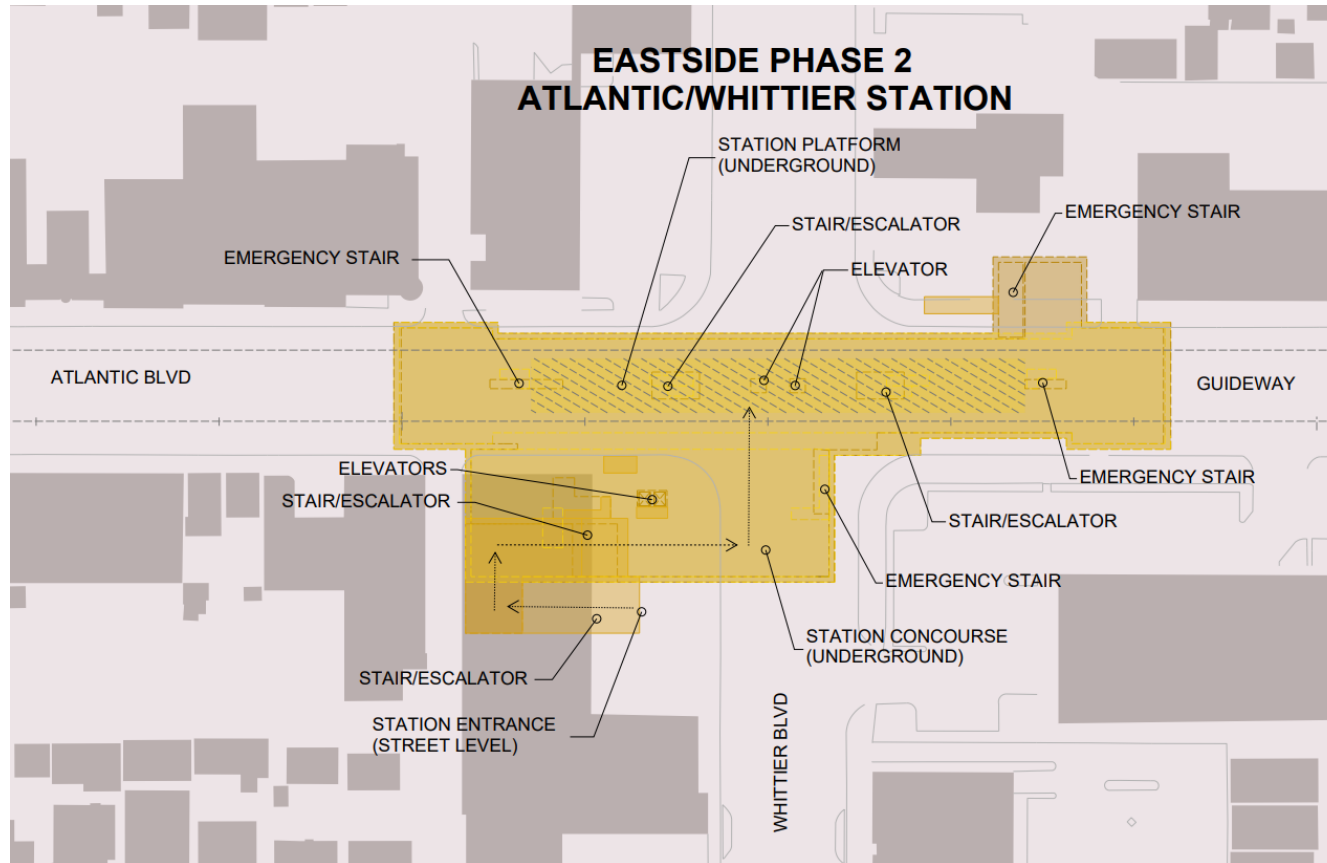


- > Sensitive historic property: Golden Gate Theater
- > Requires close coordination with National Register, historical societies and LA County
- > Constructability considerations and issues
- > Longer construction period – potential schedule delays
- > Not feasible to continue studying
- > *No es factible seguir estudiándolo*

Atlantic/Whittier – North/West Corner



Atlantic/Whittier – North/West Corner



- > Property not historic: Sketchers Building
- > Requires less agency review and coordination
- > Reduce constructability concerns common with historic sites
- > Provides streamlined approach to station portals construction
- > Includes opportunity to connect with historic property
- > Space available for plaza
- > *Espacio disponible para una plaza*

Breakout Room Format

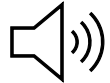


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When it's your turn to speak:

- > Unmute yourself
- > Call-in users dial *6 to unmute your microphone

Community Input

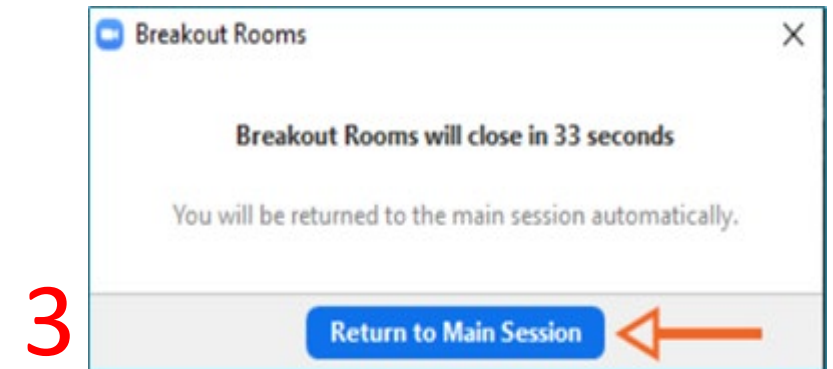
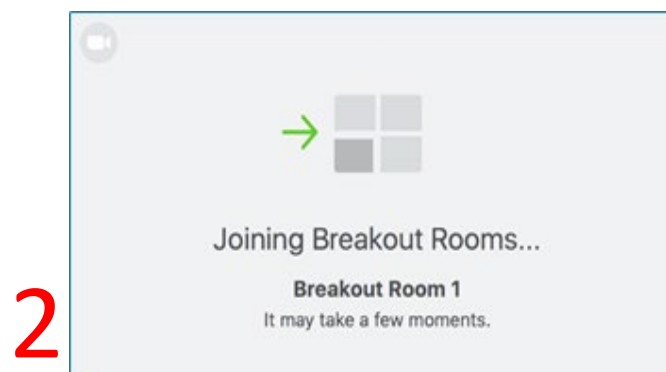
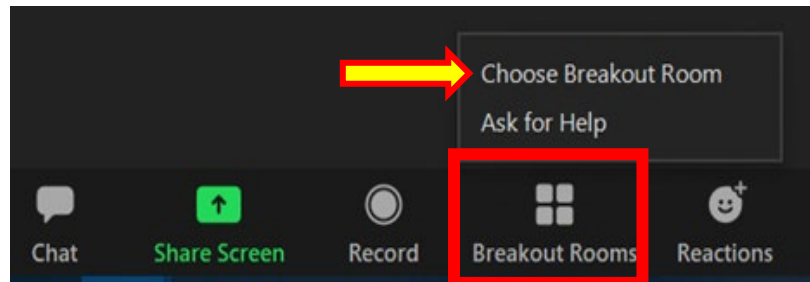
Breakout room instructions

> Participants can “self-select” room

- 50 minutes, then return to main room

> For assistance:

- **Zoom users:** Send chat message with the room you want to enter. Host will move you
- **Call-in users:** Dial *9 to orally state the room you want to be moved to



Virtual Community Meetings

Community-Specific Meeting

Tuesday, November 16, 2021, 6 – 7pm

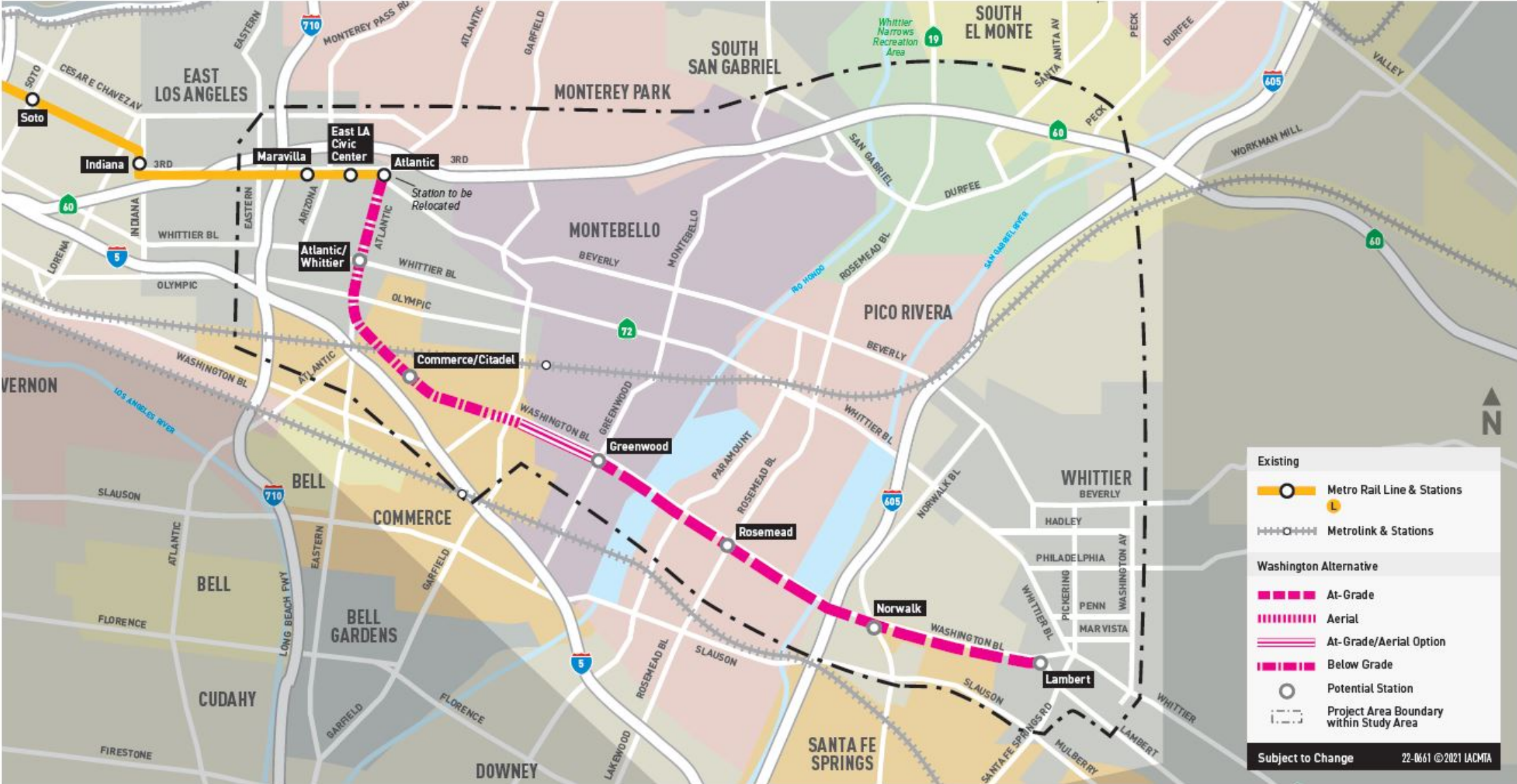
- > Focus: Montebello/Greenwood crossing
- > Tech Booth: Montebello Senior Center
115 S Taylor Av, Montebello, CA 90640

Corridor-wide Update Meeting

Wednesday, November 17, 2021, 6 – 7pm

- > Tech Booth: Pico Rivera Senior Center
9200 Mines Av, Pico Rivera, CA 90660

Washington Alternative (Updated)



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