

RESOLUTION NO. 98-20

A RESOLUTION of the City of Richland adopting the recommendations of the Downtown Connectivity Study.

WHEREAS, in 2018, Richland City Council adopted an update to its Strategic Leadership Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Strategic Leadership Plan includes six Core Focus Areas, including a core focus identified as Increase Economic Vitality; and

WHEREAS, an objective within the Increase Economic Vitality focus area is to improve streets to enhance walkability in the core downtown area; and

WHEREAS, the 2019 Budget included funds to complete a planning study to advance this objective; and

WHEREAS, the Downtown Connectivity Study (the "Study") was developed to advance Council's vision for a pedestrian-friendly waterfront and downtown, while maintaining or enhancing the vehicular travel flow; and

WHEREAS, the Study combined rigorous technical evaluation of four (4) street improvement alternatives with a robust public engagement process; and

WHEREAS, the public engagement process included four working meetings of a diverse Community Advisory Committee consisting of Richland residents, business owners, property owners, large institutions, and regional transportation planners; and

WHEREAS, the public engagement process also included opportunities for general public input through an open house meeting and an on-line survey; and

WHEREAS, the Study resulted in a recommendation to convert George Washington Way and Jadwin Avenue to one-way streets between Symons Avenue on the north and the intersection of George Washington Way and Jadwin Avenue on the south as the highest rated alternative to accomplishing the Study's objectives; and

WHEREAS, the recommended street modifications would result in northbound traffic on George Washington Way and southbound traffic on Jadwin Avenue; and

WHEREAS, implementing the recommended changes in vehicular travel will enable opportunities for on-street parking, widened sidewalks, bicycle lanes, and landscaping improvements; and

WHEREAS, the street improvement recommendations can be supplemented with improved control of pedestrian crossings to enhance pedestrian safety and comfort; and

WHEREAS, other alternatives evaluated by the Study were either less effective or more challenging to implement than the highest rated alternative.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Richland that the Downtown Connectivity Study recommendation to convert George Washington Way and Jadwin Avenue between Symons Street on the north and the intersection of George Washington Way and Jadwin Avenue on the south to one-way streets, as generally depicted in **Exhibit A** attached hereto, and to implement additional improvements to enhance the comfort and safety of pedestrians and bicyclists, and to provide additional on-street parking as space allows, is adopted as a planned capital improvement for the purposes of increasing economic vitality, improving pedestrian and bicycle travel comfort and safety, and sustaining adequate vehicular capacity.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City will develop plans and strategies to achieve this improvement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Richland, Washington, at a regular meeting on the 7th day of July, 2020.




Ryan Lukson, Mayor

Attest:



Jennifer Rogers, City Clerk

Approved as to form:



Heather Kintzley, City Attorney



GEORGE WASHINGTON WAY

TORBETT AVENUE

SEE SECTION 1

LEGEND

- PARKING/WIDER SIDEWALK
- BIKE LANE
- PROHIBITED TRAFFIC MOVEMENT
- TRAFFIC MOVEMENTS ALLOWED
- PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL

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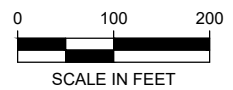







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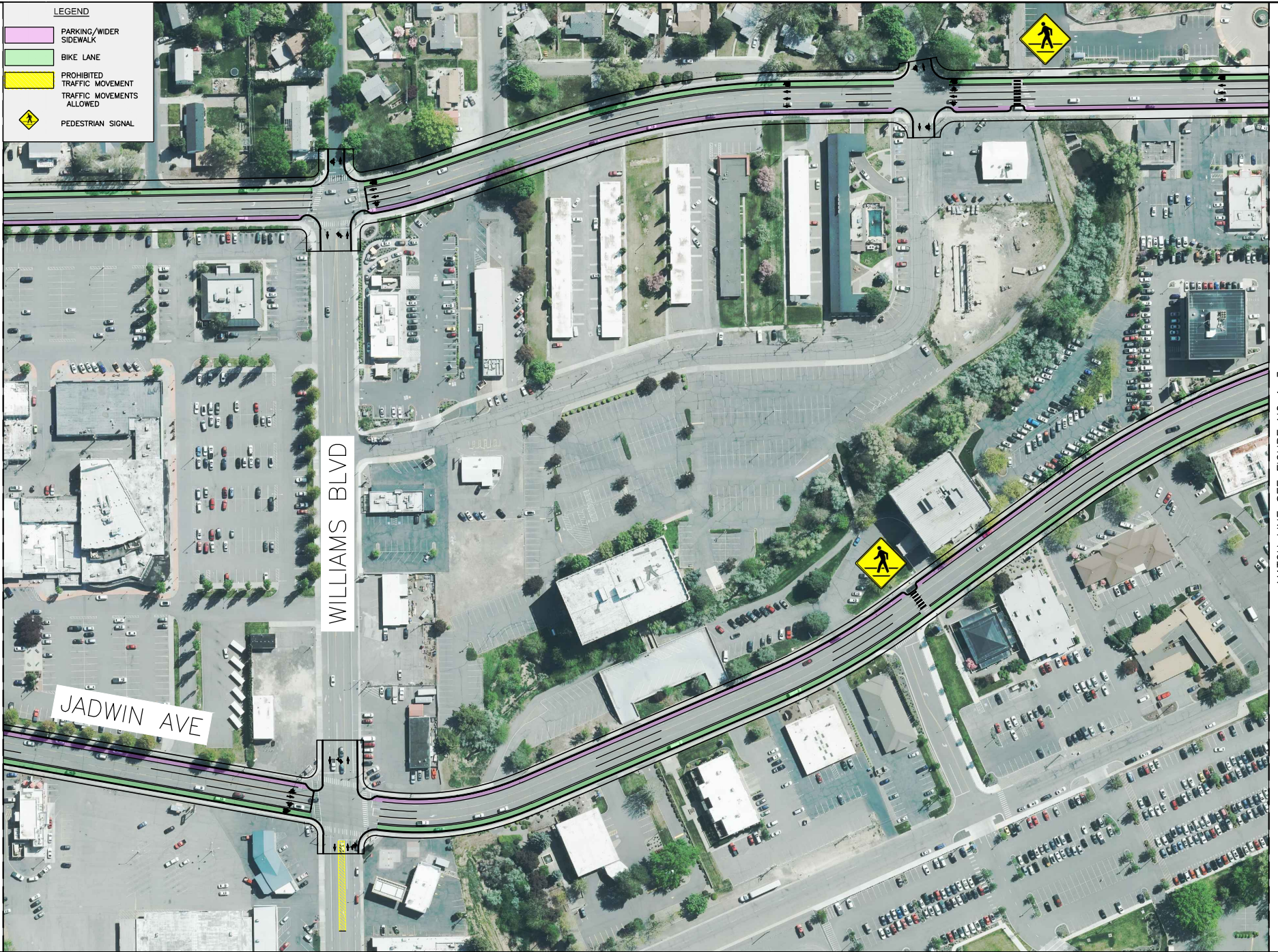
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DOWNTOWN CONNECTIVITY STUDY
EXTENDED ONE-WAY COUPLET ALTERNATIVE DETAIL

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LEGEND

-  PARKING/WIDER SIDEWALK
-  BIKE LANE
-  PROHIBITED TRAFFIC MOVEMENT
-  TRAFFIC MOVEMENTS ALLOWED
-  PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL

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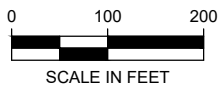


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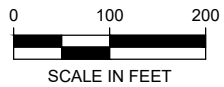


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