



# Connecting Communities: 47<sup>th</sup> and York Safe Crossing Project

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NDCC PRESENTATION TO  
NWC CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
JUNE 30, 2016

## Culmination of multiple efforts

- 47<sup>th</sup> and York Study (2004)
- Elyria Swansea Neighborhood Plan (2012-14)
- 47<sup>th</sup> and York Feasibility Study (current study)

*“Residents, businesses, and elected officials have been vocal for decades in expressing the desire to improve the 47th Ave. and York St. intersection.”*

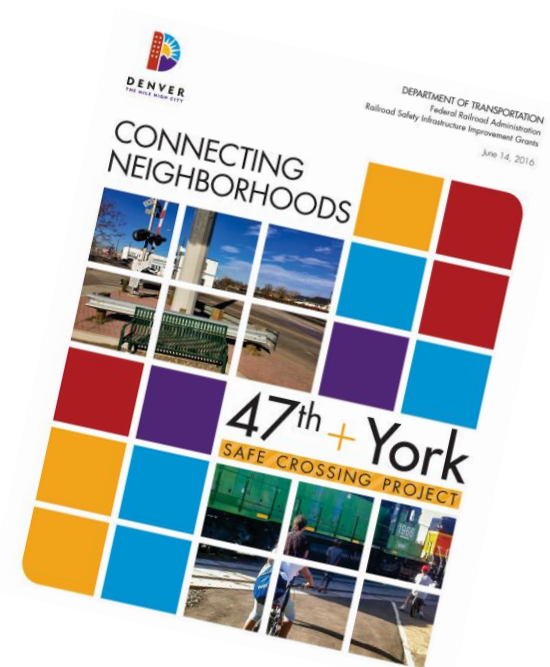
*~ Elyria Swansea Neighborhood Plan*

## 2016 Rail Safety Grant

- Federal Railroad Administration (“FRA”)
- \$25 million nationwide – very competitive
- Max request: \$5 million & no more than 50% project cost
- Funds construction & preconstruction (NEPA, ROW acquisition, & design)
- Period of performance – flexible / negotiated after award

## Schedule

- Application submitted: June 14, 2016
- Grants Awarded: September 2016 (anticipated)
- Funds available: January 2017 (anticipated), reimbursement



## Effort

- Acted fast because it is a top priority for neighborhood (ES Plan) and an opportunity that could not be passed up
- Two week turnaround
- Used community input and technical information from current study as basis for application
- Consultant team developed the bridge cost estimate totaling ~\$9.6M
- Full team and community effort to complete application and meet the deadline – whew!
- Included petition and letters of support from residents – THANK YOU!!!

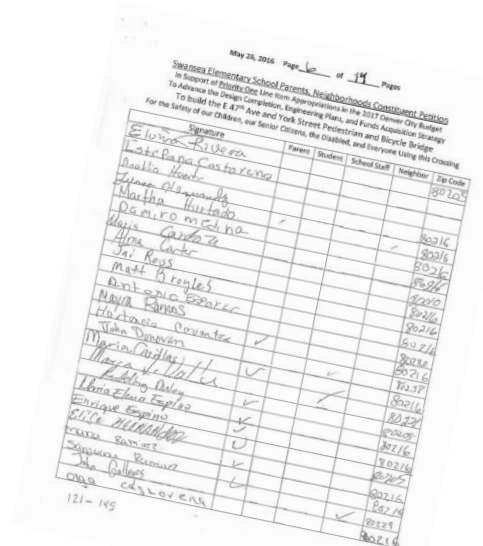
## Grant Summary:

- Applied for 50% FRA funding for the 47<sup>th</sup> and York bicycle and pedestrian bridge crossing project
- Application included narrative on the project, including:
  - Project Description and Narrative
  - Summary of Past Studies and Stakeholder Engagement
  - Environmental and Historical Evaluation
  - Cost Estimate and Sources of Funding
  - Project Management and Implementation Plan
  - Project Parties and Supporters

## Letters of Support:

- U.S. Senator Michael Bennet
- Mayor Hancock
- Brendan Hanlon – Denver CFO
- CDOT
- Councilman Albus Brooks
- Petition signed by 285 members of the community
- Oscar Gomez, resident
- Calvin Angel (resident, 11 years old)
- Gary Angel, resident
- Betty Cram, resident
- Anne-Elizabeth, resident
- The Grow Haus
- Focus Points / LiveWell

Thank you!!!



## FRA Grant - Proposed Project Scope

2016-2017  
City

- Finish Feasibility Study (current study)
- NEPA & 30% Design

2017-2019  
City  
CDOT  
FRA

- Final Design
- ROW Acquisition
- Aerial Easement Acquisition
- Utility Relocation
- Grade separation (ped-bike) construction



## Next Steps:

- **Complete current feasibility study (fall 2016)**
  - additional technical analysis
  - additional public input
- **Plan for continuation of project**
  - prepare for next phase of design & NEPA
- **Wait for outcomes of September 2016 announcement (fingers crossed!)**

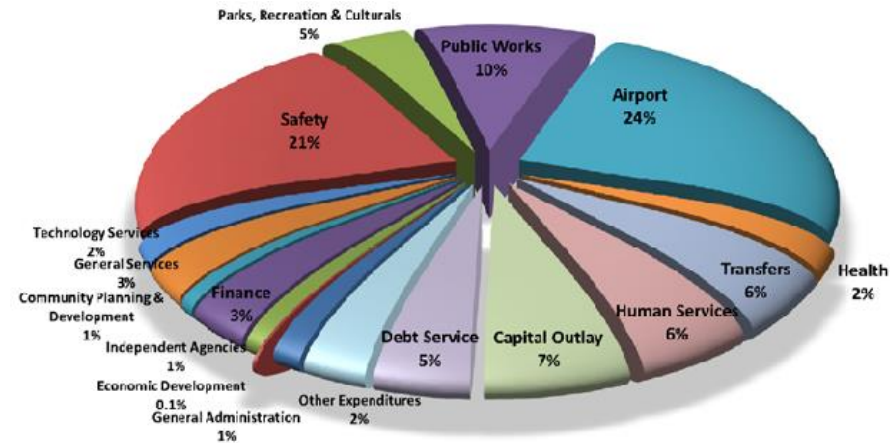


# NDCC Financial Overview

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## 2015 Total Gross Estimated Expenditures – All Funds



Total Capital Revenue

...where the CIP money goes.

Payments

Contractual obligations, debt-financing, ongoing partnerships, etc.

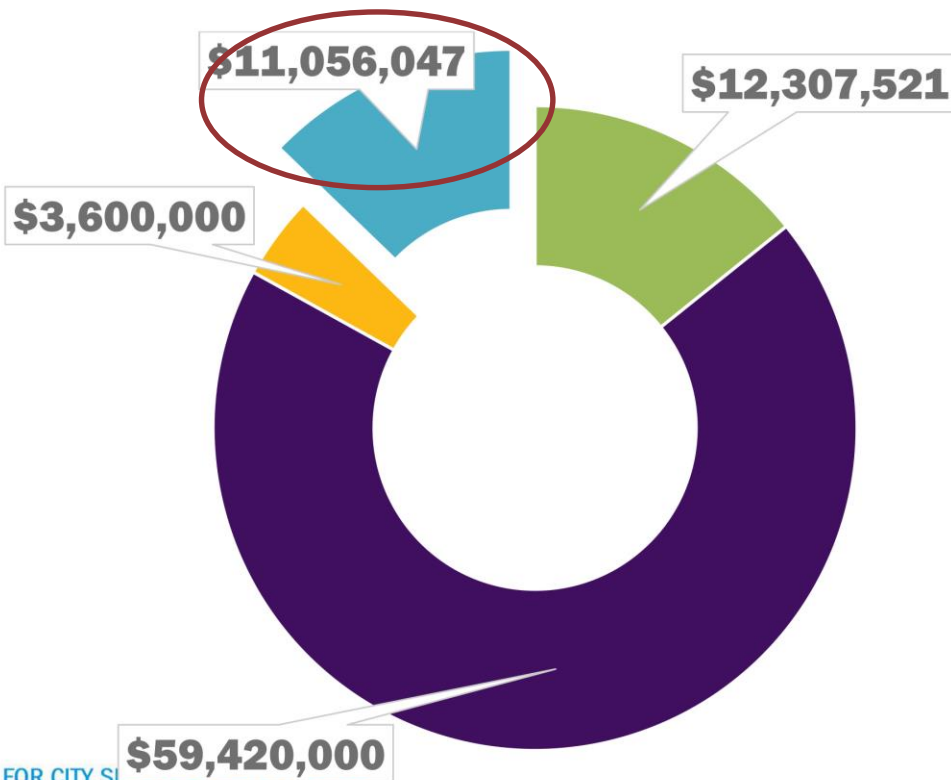
Maintenance

Maintenance or improvement of capital assets

Discretionary

Larger-scale priority capital projects

# Total Capital Revenue



- Projected Payments
- Projected Annual Maintenance
- Contingency (Fund Balance)

**■ Projected Discretionary**

- After commitments to ongoing payments and capital maintenance are fulfilled, remaining revenue is dedicated to funding a comprehensive, citywide program of capital discretionary projects

# Approach

1. **Start with adopted Neighborhood Plans**
2. **Balance requests to fit community needs**
  - Quick wins and immediate needs
  - Larger and long-term initiatives & projects
3. **Move larger and long-term initiatives forward**
  - Subsequent studies
  - Getting projects shovel ready

# Criteria

Implements Neighborhood Plan or major citywide plan (or plan component)	Completes a project or meaningful project phase	Addresses one-time need or maintenance supplemental to meet minimum level-of-services	Leverages non-City funding	Facilitates partnerships

# 2017

## Major Projects

- **GES Bus Stops**
- **47<sup>th</sup> and York**
- **Washington Street Design**
- **GES Mobility Improvements**
- **River North Promenade Design**
- **38<sup>th</sup> Street Underpass**
- **35<sup>th</sup> Street Design**

## Other Resources

- **Food access**
- **Funding to support resources at Swansea Elementary**
- **New resource focused on economic mobility**

# Other funding strategies or sources for larger projects and initiatives

- **General Obligation Bonds every 10 years**
- **Excise Tax Revenue Bonds (2C)**
- **Grants (similar to 47<sup>th</sup> and York)**
- **Special Districts**

# Organizing

- **Build from your adopted neighborhood plans**  
(GES is in a good position)
- **One voice from your neighborhood**
- **Organize and advocate**
- **Campaign (you've done this before with 2C)**