

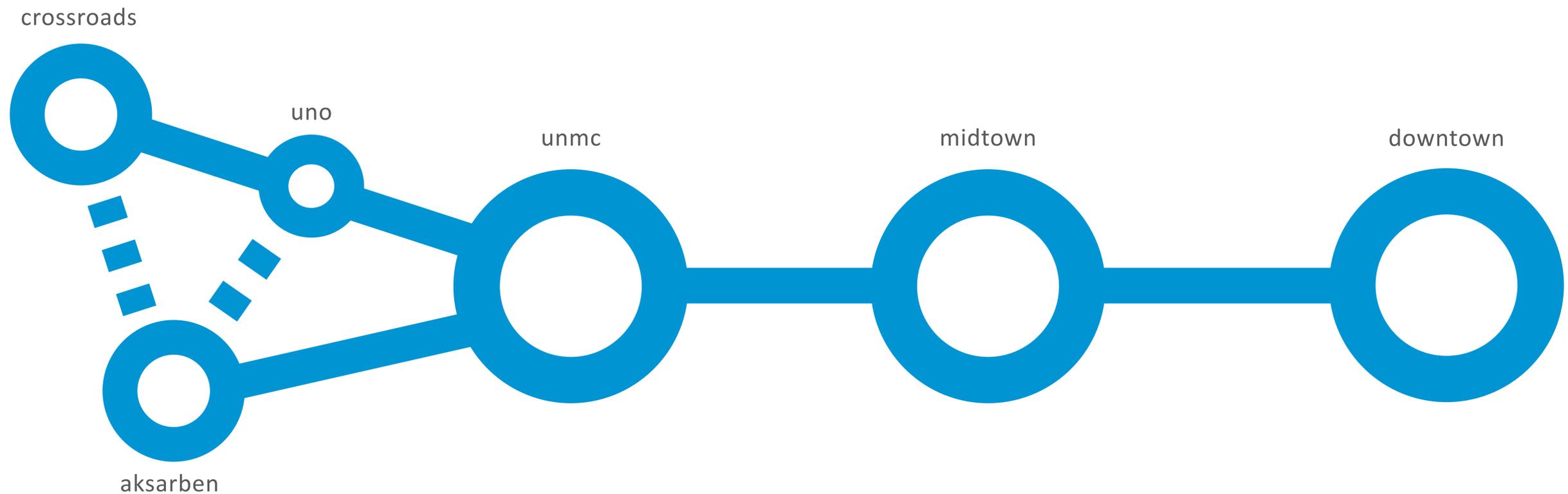
Welcome



- The purpose of today's meeting is to:
 - Introduce the Central Omaha Transit Alternatives Analysis
 - Describe different transit options being considered
 - Answer questions and encourage you to provide comments
 - Identify important community priorities in the area

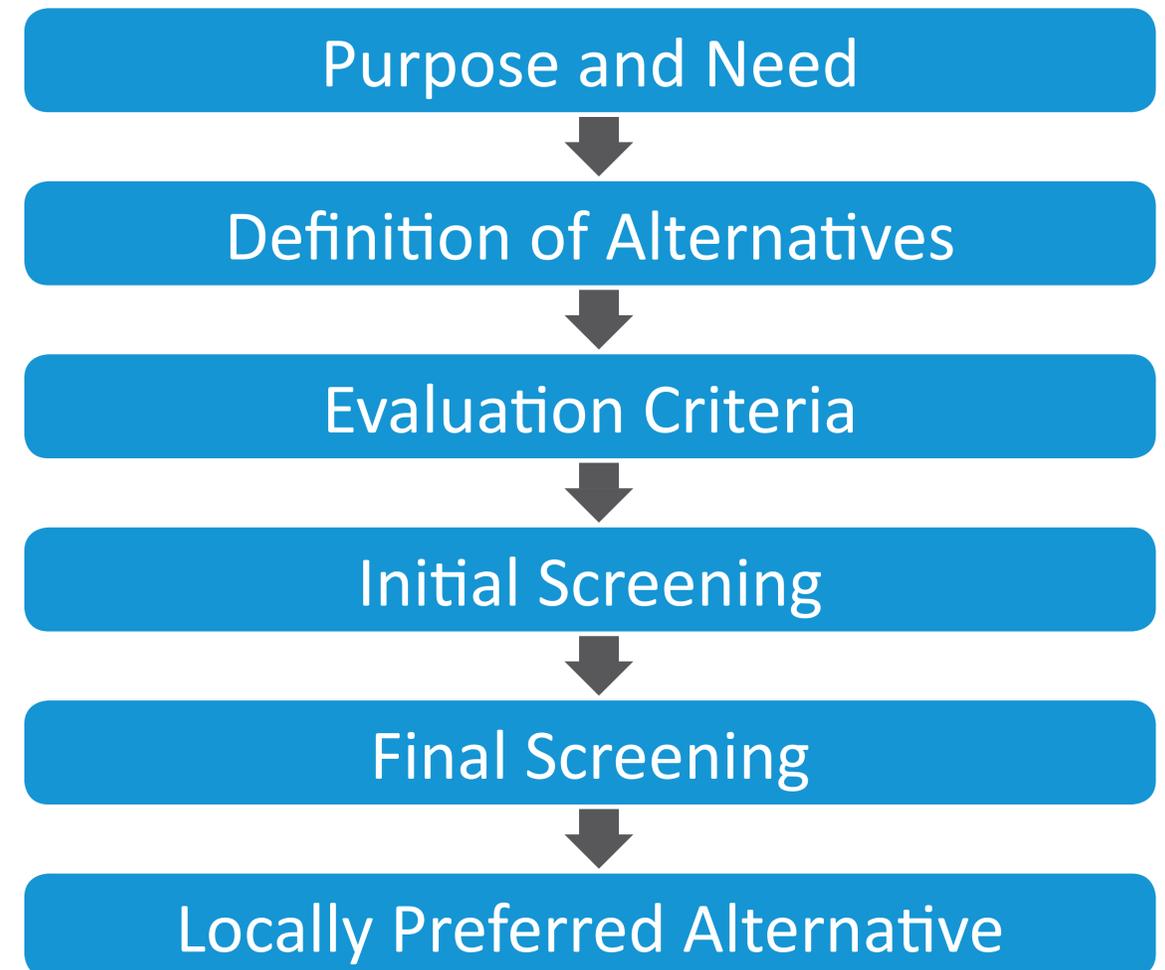
Omaha's Vibrant Central Core

Improved transit options linking activity centers together and to the rest of the city are needed to improve mobility, support sustainable growth and revitalization, and attract economic development in order to become a truly livable community.

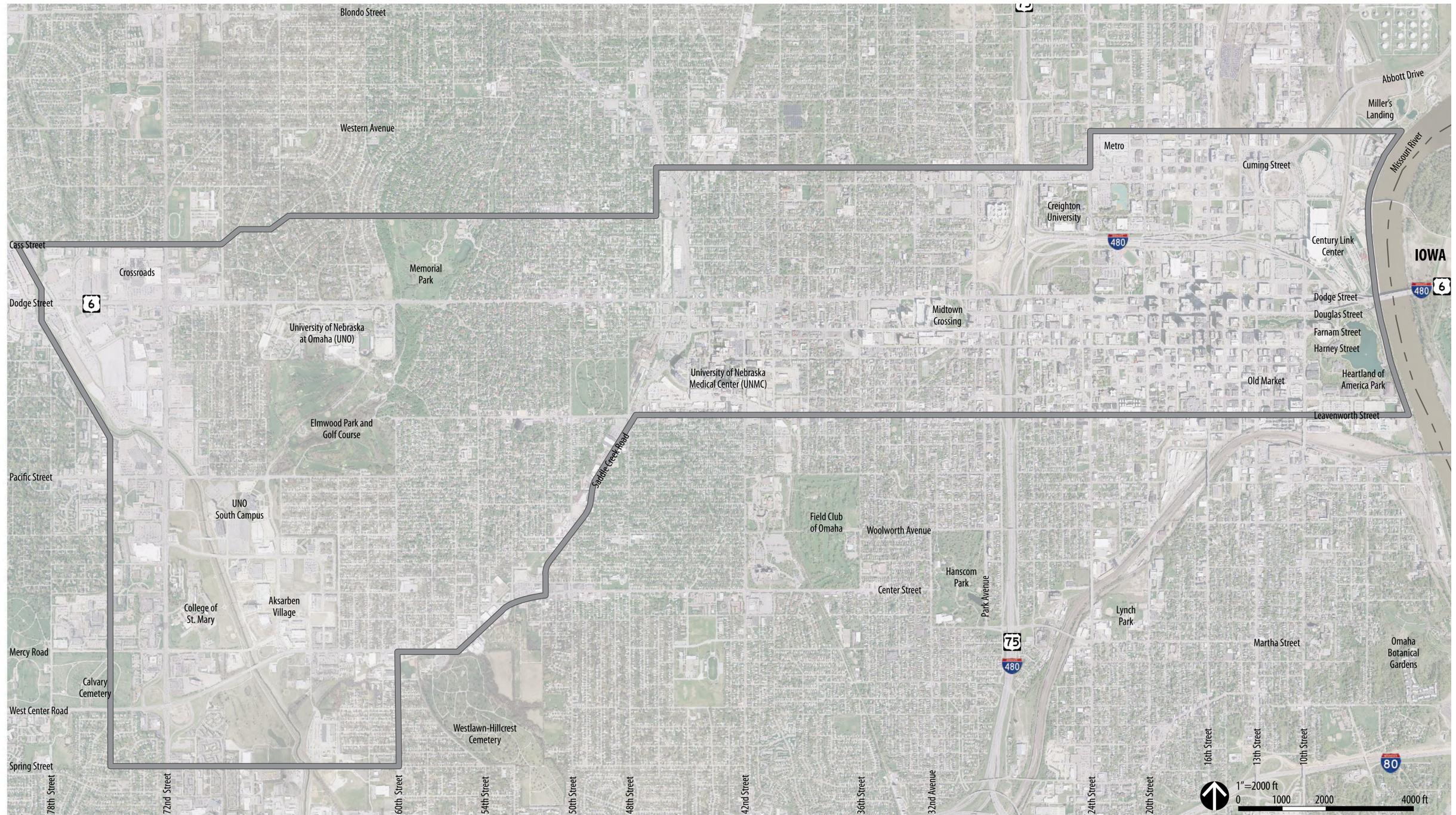


What is the Central Omaha Transit Alternatives Analysis?

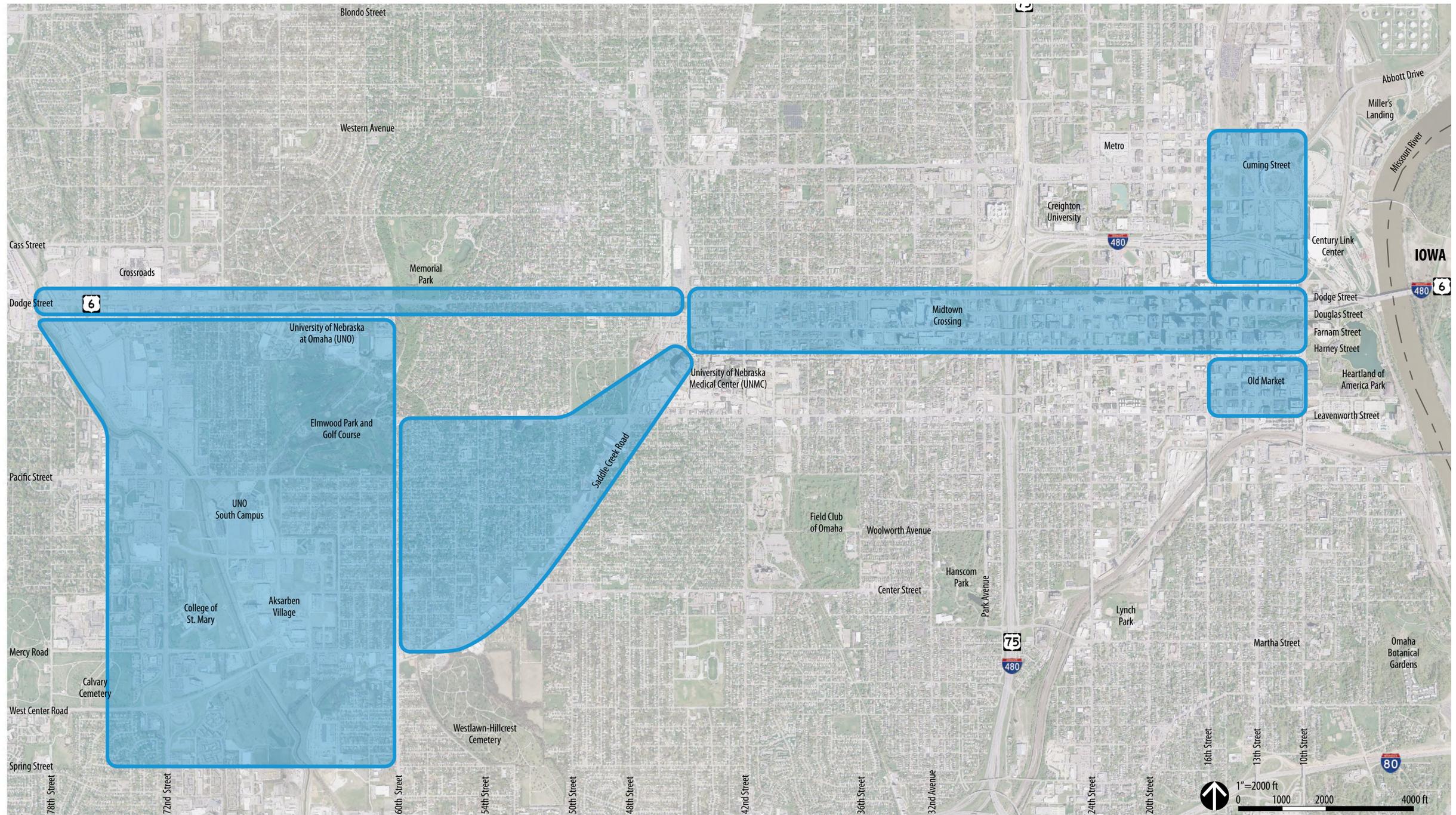
- It is a transit plan that will:
 - Develop and evaluate potential transit alternatives in Central Omaha
 - Analyze the mobility needs in the area
 - Identify and compare the costs, benefits, and impacts of transit alternatives
 - Recommend a locally preferred alternative for future evaluation



Study Area



Potential Corridors to be Evaluated



Project Goals

1

Improve mobility between Downtown, Midtown, UNMC, UNO, and the Crossroads and Aksarben Village areas

2

Maximize the efficiency and effectiveness of the transit investment

3

Increase support for land use and economic development goals and enhance the use of transit-supported land use, planning, and design strategies

4

Increase sustainable transit investments that are compatible with the built environment

5

Provide a transit investment that can be implemented within budget constraints for capital and operating expenses

What transit alternatives are being considered?

Enhanced Bus

- Improvements to existing Metro bus service
- Operates in mixed traffic
- Low floor buses
- Accommodates maximum of 3 bicycles on front of bus
- Improved frequency and span of service
- Minor capital improvements (bus stops and shelters)
- Shares travel lanes and stops with other buses
- 40-60 passengers per vehicle



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Bus Rapid Transit

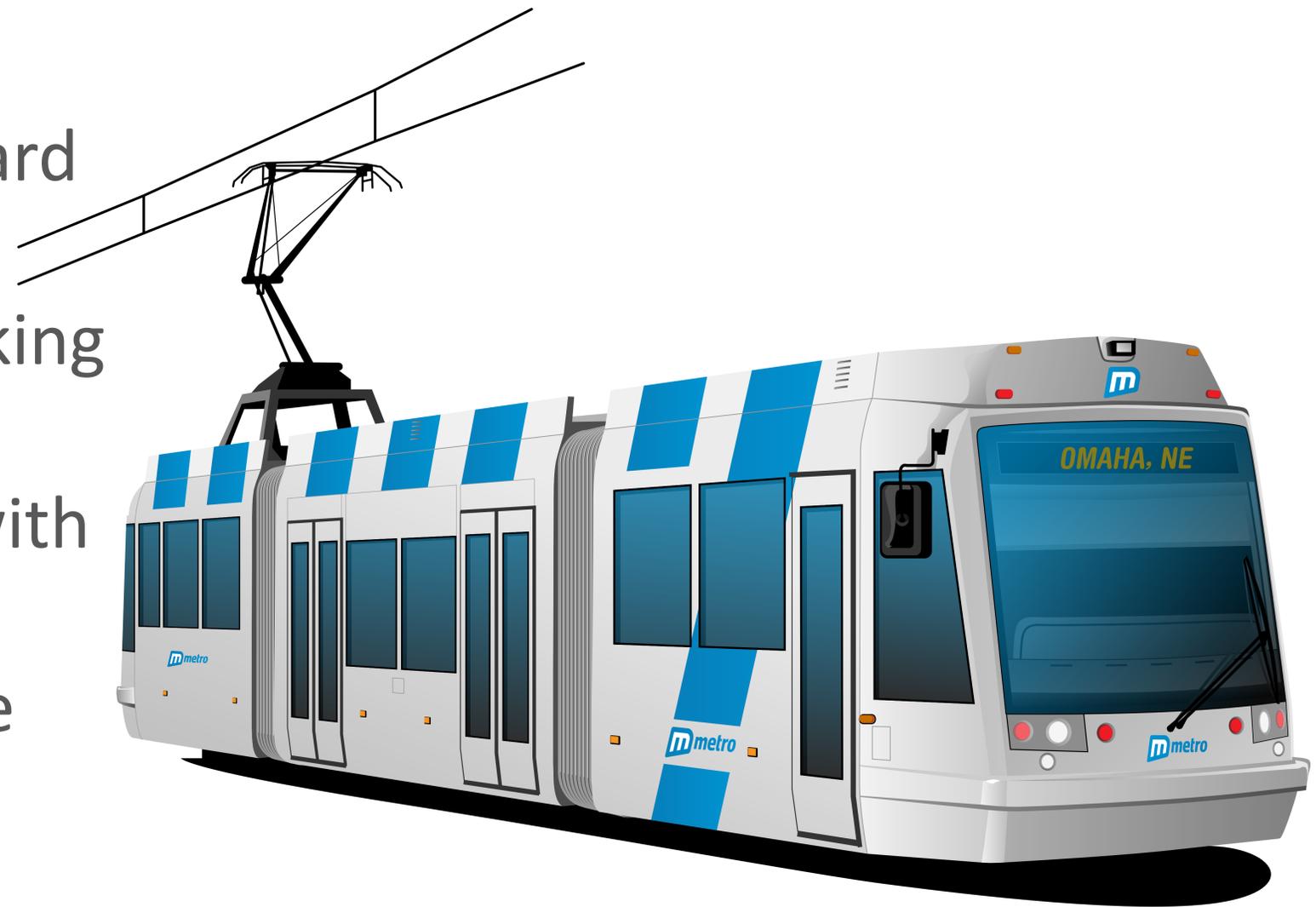
- Advanced bus service
- Operates in mixed traffic
- Low floor articulated buses with multiple doors
- Accommodates maximum of 3 bicycles on front of bus
- Preferential bus treatments (queue jumps, traffic signal priority)
- Specially branded service
- Custom stops and shelters
- Shares travel lanes and stops with other buses
- 60-90 passengers per vehicle



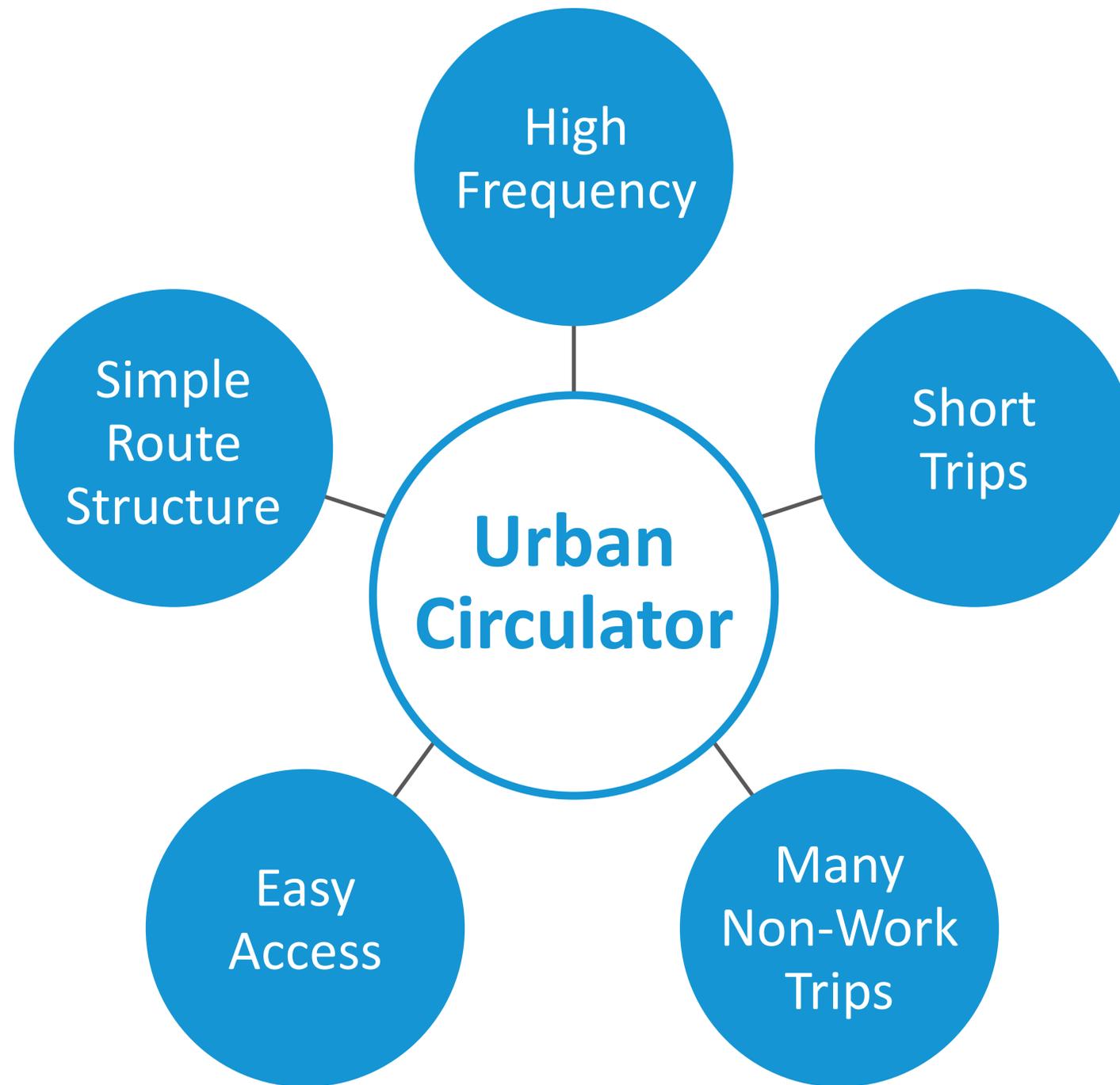
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Modern Streetcar

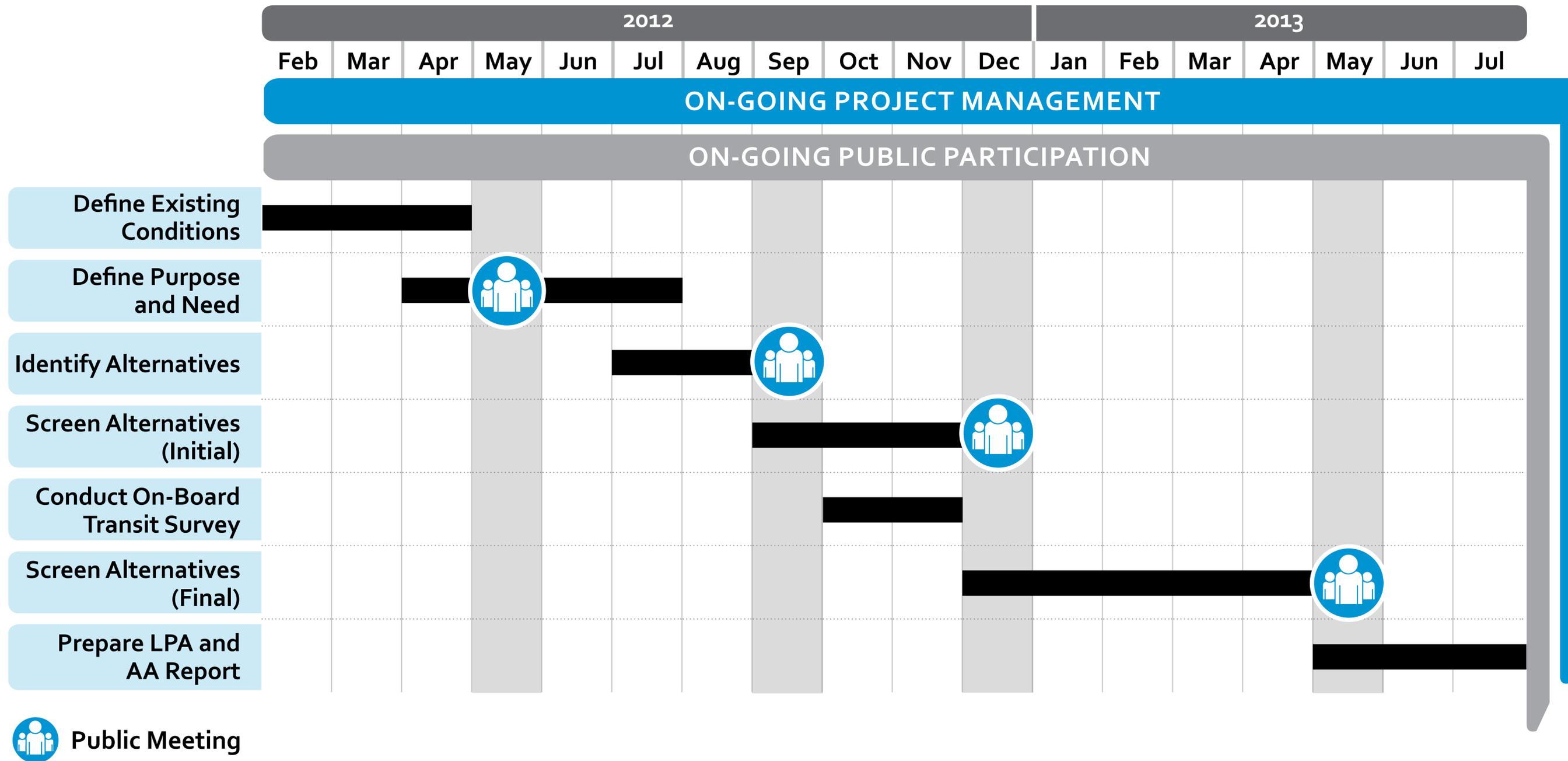
- Fixed-guideway electric rail service
- Operates in mixed traffic
- Low floor vehicles with multiple doors
- Accommodates bicycles on board
- Articulated for tight radii turns
- Compatible with on-street parking
- Custom stops and shelters
- Shares travel lanes and stops with buses
- 130-160 passengers per vehicle



What are the service characteristics of the transit alternatives?



Project Schedule



How to Get Involved

- Prioritize goals on MindMixer at www.OmahaAlternativesAnalysis.com
- Call the information line at 888-692-2678
- Fill out a comment form today

Information gathered today will be used to identify community priorities for future transit options in Central Omaha