

# Lakeside Dr/Lake Merritt Blvd Complete Streets Paving

Installing bicycle and pedestrian safety projects along with planned repaving



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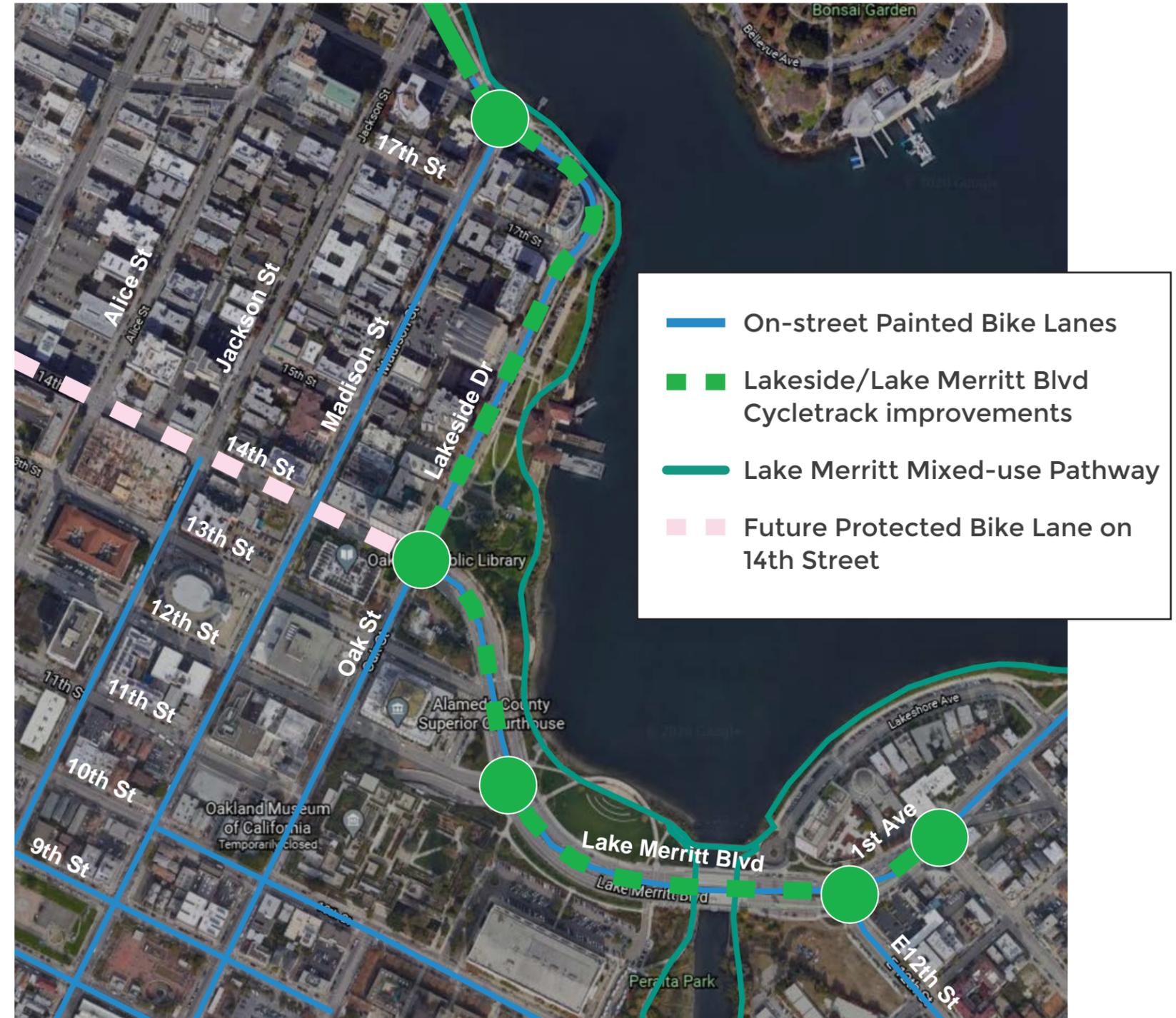
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## About the Project

Lakeside Drive from Madison Street to Lake Merritt Boulevard and Lake Merritt Boulevard from Lakeside to E 12th Street are set to be repaved by the City of Oakland's Measure KK-funded 5-year paving plan. This presents an opportunity to extend the popular two-way protected cycletrack around Lake Merritt from Madison Street southward and over the estuary bridge to E 12th Street! The Covid-19 pandemic has highlighted the need for more recreational space around the Lake. This paving project means that the City can answer that need on a short timeline, while providing a permanent protected space for people to enjoy this regional recreational destination on two wheels.

## Project Goals

- Provide a protected and welcoming place to ride a bike around Lake Merritt from Madison Street to E 12th Street
- Coordinate with AC Transit to provide bus-only lanes for the new Tempo BRT service, where feasible
- Alleviate congestion on the Lake Merritt mixed-use pathway
- Provide two-way bicycle connectivity on the lake side of Lake Merritt Boulevard and Lakeside Drive for recreational users, and provide one-way bike facility on south side of Lake Merritt Boulevard
- Leave the freshly-paved roadway better than we found it, with a new roadway plan that encourages recreation and safe travel by all modes



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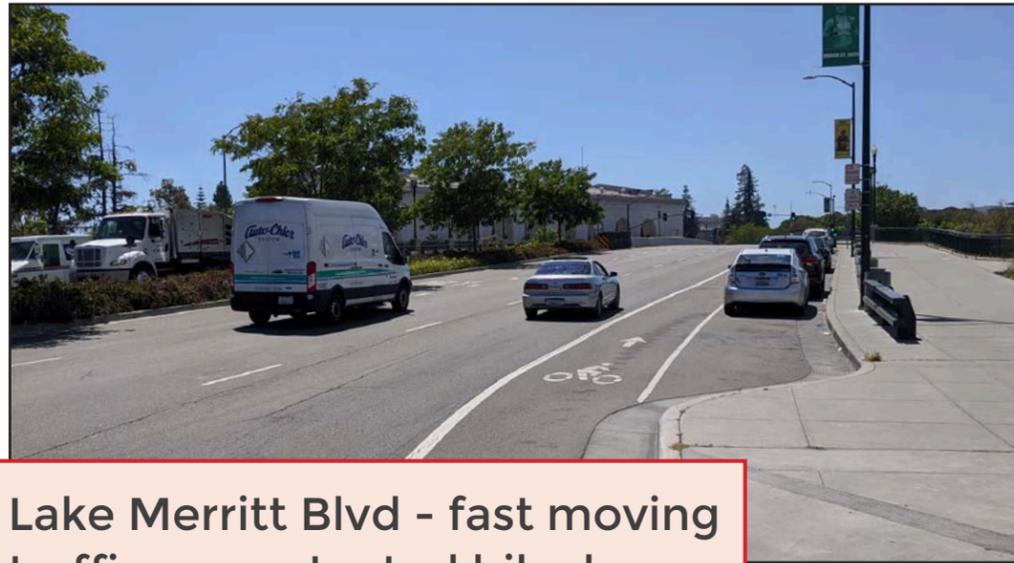
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## SITE PHOTOS

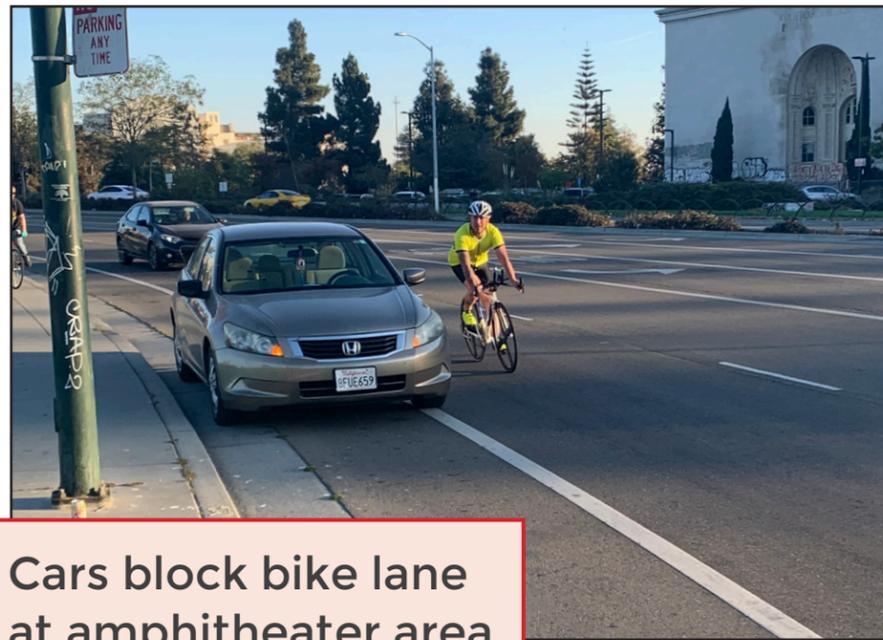


Lake Merritt Blvd - fast moving traffic, unprotected bike lane



Bike lane/vehicle merge on Lakeside Drive

Intrepid cyclists heading west over the bridge next to 3 empty lanes

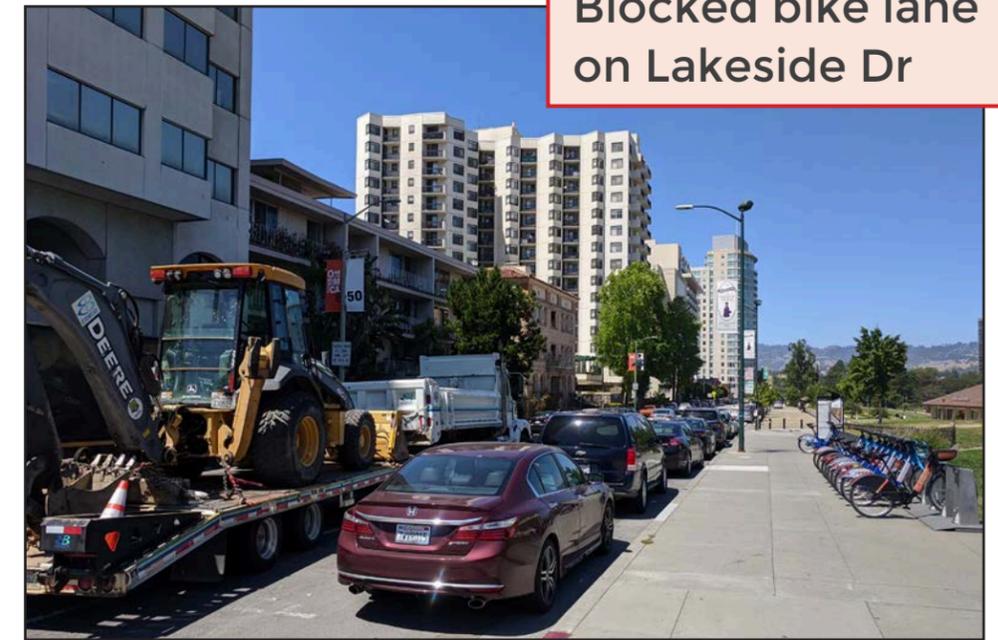


Cars block bike lane at amphitheater area

Credit: Ryan Lester



Two-lane unsignalized pedestrian crossing on Lakeside



Blocked bike lane on Lakeside Dr

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Aerial view toward  
Downtown from over  
the Estuary Bridge

CONNECTION  
TO DOWNTOWN

ACCESS TO  
LAKE MERRITT

ENHANCED CROSSINGS

PROTECTED,  
TWO-WAY  
CYCLE-TRACK

TRANSIT-ONLY LANE

ONE-WAY CYCLE-TRACK

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Looking East towards  
Eastlake over the  
Estuary Bridge from  
the north side of Lake  
Merritt Blvd.

Bus-only lane for the Tempo  
BRT and other AC Transit  
routes on LM Blvd.

Protected bike  
facility alleviates  
bicycle crowding  
on the mixed-  
use pathway and  
sidewalk

High-visibility  
crosswalks

Raised concrete  
islands protect the  
cycletrack from  
vehicle traffic



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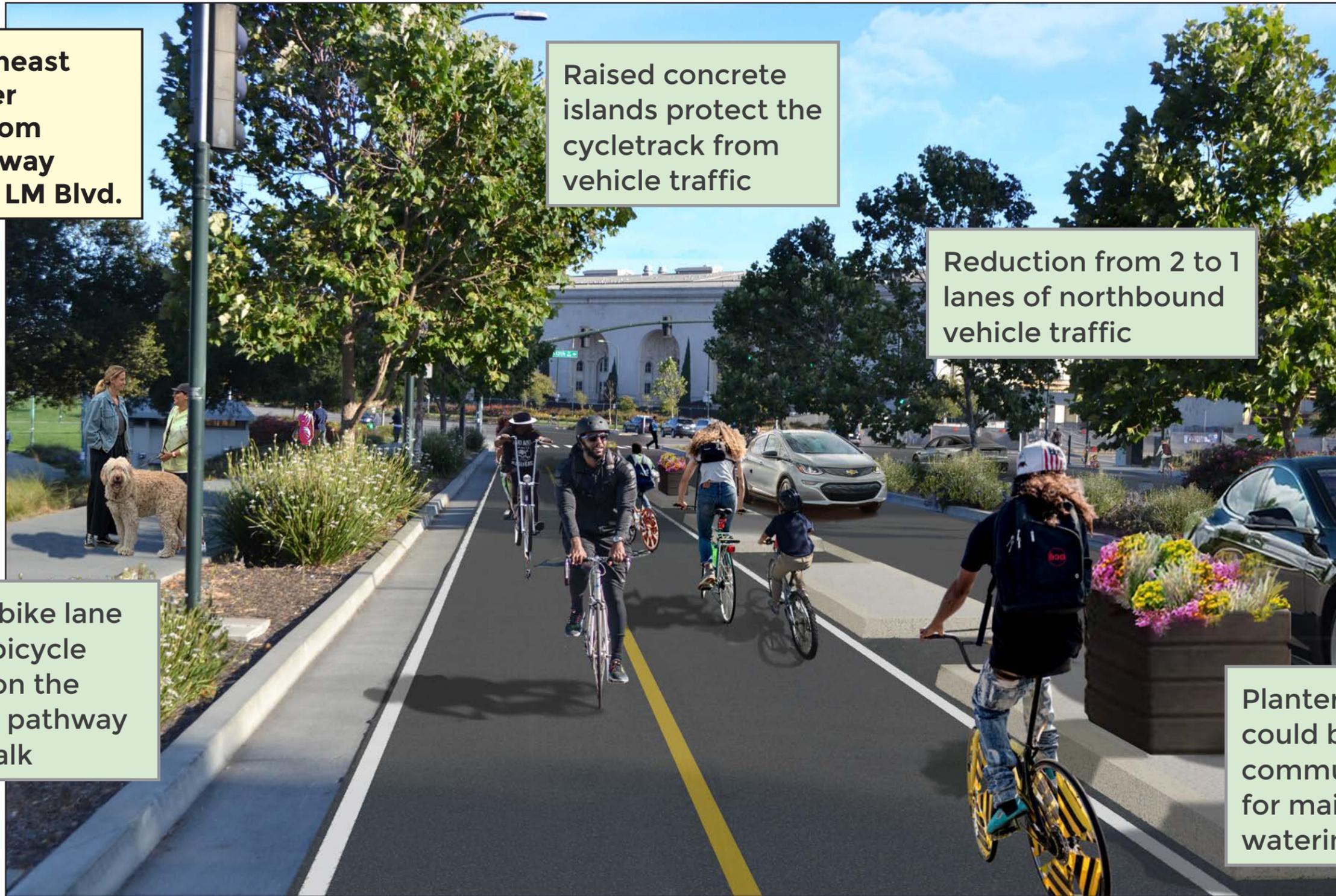
Looking Southeast  
towards Kaiser  
Auditorium from  
the new two-way  
cycletrack on LM Blvd.

Raised concrete  
islands protect the  
cycletrack from  
vehicle traffic

Reduction from 2 to 1  
lanes of northbound  
vehicle traffic

Protected bike lane  
alleviates bicycle  
crowding on the  
mixed-use pathway  
and sidewalk

Planter boxes shown  
could be added with  
community support  
for maintenance/  
watering



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Looking North on  
Lakeside Drive from the  
Oak/14th intersection

Parking removal at  
selected zones to  
allow for emergency  
vehicle access

Raised concrete islands  
provide full separation  
from motor vehicle traffic

Reduction from 2  
to 1 lane of motor  
vehicle traffic

Green paint for conflict  
zones at driveways

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## SCHEDULE/NEXT STEPS

- » Ongoing - Public outreach and design
  - November 2020 - Online survey publicized on social media, postcard mailer, email lists
  - Late 2020/early 2021 - Continuing stakeholder engagement on corridor
- » Early 2022 - Final design based on community feedback
- » Construction - 2023 (TBD)

