



BUILD Grant

April 13, 2021



\$1 Billion Infrastructure Grant Funds

- BUILD Discretionary Grants – For capital investments in surface transportation infrastructure awarded on a competitive basis
- \$100M awarded to a single State
 - Maximum grant award \$25M
 - Minimum grant award \$5M
- \$30M to be awarded for eligible planning and preconstruction activities
 - No minimum
- BUILD funds must be expended by 2028
- 20/80 required match

Selection criteria – subject to change under Biden Administration

- **Safety**-reduce the number/rate of accidents, eliminate unsafe grade crossings
- **Economic Competitiveness**-increase efficiency of movement of goods/people, freight connectivity, promote expansion of private economic development
- **Quality of Life**-increase transportation choices, expand access to services for jobs, health care, destinations
- **State of Good Repair**-improving the condition, life-cycle costs, support border security
- **Innovation**-technology, project delivery, financing
- **Partnerships with a broad range of Stakeholders**

Project Outline

Project Description: project schedule, statement of work, transportation challenges, how will they be addressed

Project Location: geographical description, urbanized area

Grant Funds, Sources, and Uses of all Project Funding: detailed project budget, documentation of funding commitments, non-Federal, BUILD, other federal if available

Selection Criteria: outlined in previous slide 3

Project Readiness: begin construction in timely manner, project to include environmental studies, ROW acquisition, procurement, agreements with railroads, broad public support, risk mitigation

Benefit Cost Analysis: present value estimates of a project's benefits and costs relative to a no-build baseline – savings in travel time, vehicle operating costs, safety costs

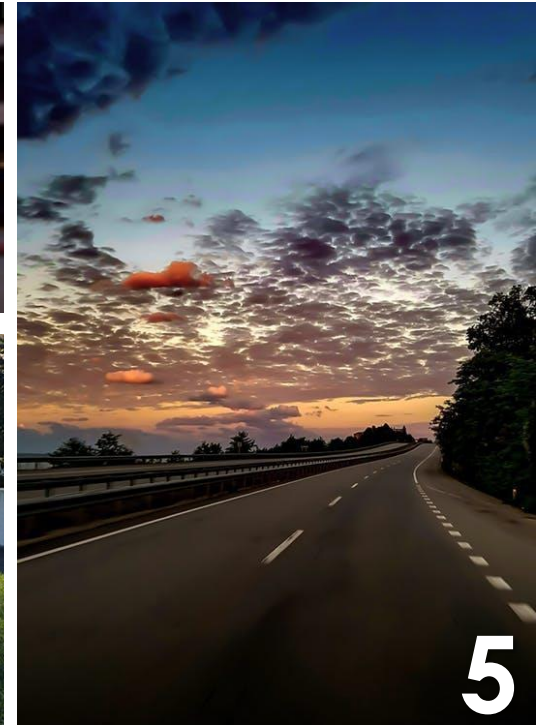
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Eligible Projects

Emphasis on safety, job creation.
New considerations: climate change,
environmental justice, equity/low
income areas, and multi-modal

Project scope may consist of:

- Highway, bridge, or other road projects
- Public transportation
- Passenger and freight rail transportation
- Port infrastructure-including land ports of entry
- Intermodal projects



Proposed BUILD Project Applications

City of El Paso Strategic Plan

Project Background

Goal 1. CULTIVATE AN ENVIRONMENT CONDUCTIVE TO STRONG, SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

1.1

Stabilize and expand El Paso's tax base

- Complete renovation of Camino Real Hotel; Multipurpose Cultural and Performing Arts Center construction underway with parking solutions identified
- Investment in Downtown historic structures
- Complete comprehensive livable wages review
- Activate targeted (re)development (2.0):
 - Medical Center of the Americas/Alameda
 - Reimagine Cohen/Angora Loop/Northeast Parkway
 - Five Points
 - Airport Development
 - High priority corridor development plans
 - Infill growth strategies
 - Parking strategies
 - Disposition of City-owned properties
- Expand Downtown revitalization/redevelopment to include:
 - Streetcar corridor vibrancy (2.0)
 - Convention center renovation
 - Parking management plans
 - Uptown
- Establish a support mechanism for resilient development practices for private sector projects across El Paso

Activate targeted
(re)development (2.0)

High priority corridor
development plans

Medical Center of the
Americas/Alameda

Streetcar corridor
vibrancy

Corridor TOD Reconstruction

Pedestrian enhancements to include ADA ramps, mid-block crossing, HAWK system. Landscaping, complete street elements. Limits from **Texas** at Kansas to **Alameda** at Paisano

Criteria:

- Safety – ranked at 20th most dangerous, Smart Growth America
- Economic competitiveness
- Quality of Life
- State of Good repair
- Innovation

Strategic Planning

- Transit oriented development
- Smart corridor
- Transformative – environmental and equitable justice

Budget: \$12M

Non-Federal: \$2.4M **Federal:** \$9.6M

Funding Source: 2022 Capital Plan

Corridor TOD Reconstruction

Alameda Corridor Plan

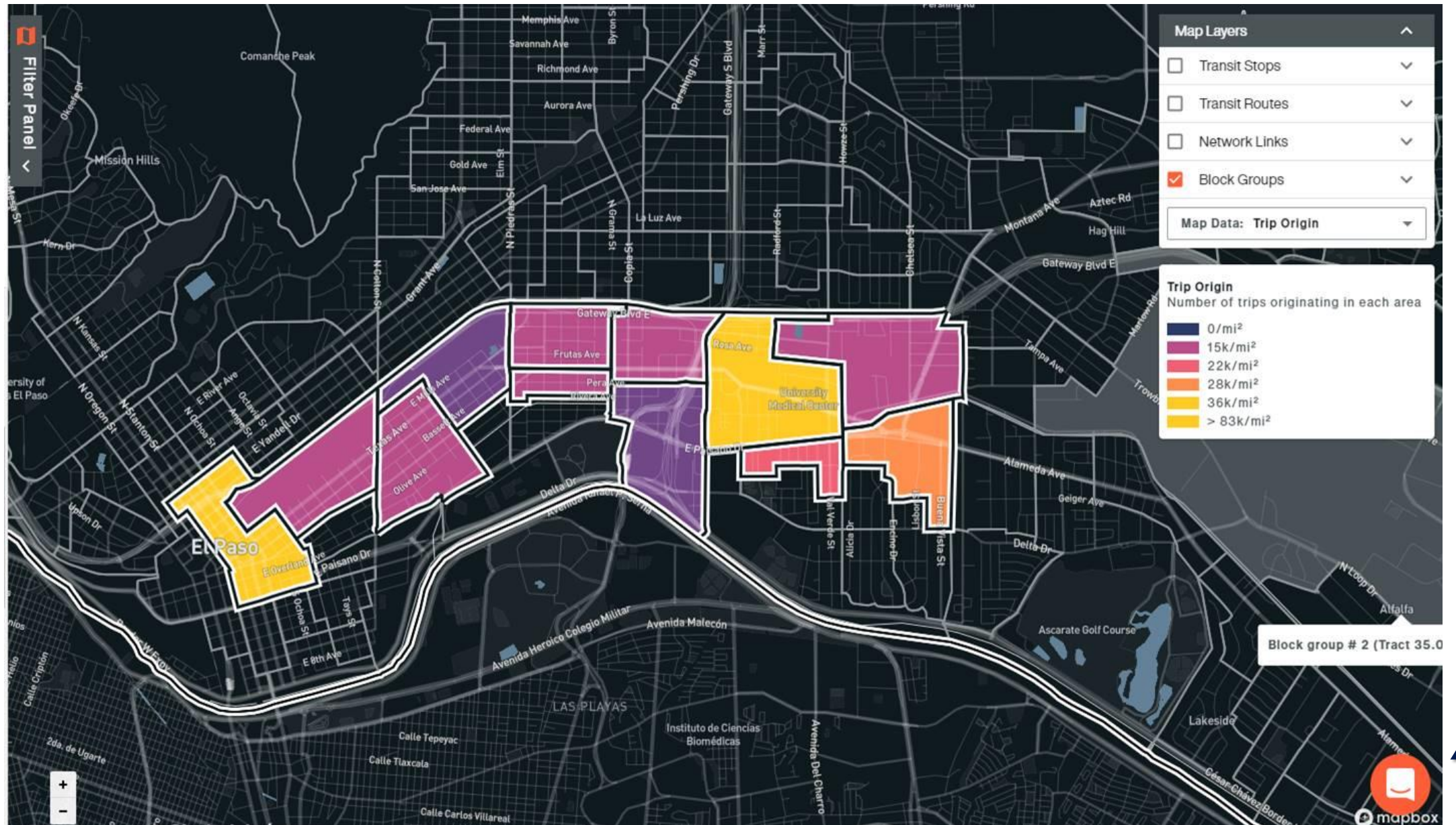
- First draft completed 2018
- Land use policy and redevelopment efforts looked at
- Current conditions analyzed
- Catalyst zones identified

New Plan Study

- Next Alameda Plan kick-off April 2021
- Transit oriented development and promoting multi-modal infrastructure
- Framework for future corridor plans



Corridor TOD Reconstruction



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Public park over I-10 highway programmed to provide connectivity between Uptown and Downtown providing exceptional recreational and cultural opportunities to the community

Criteria:

- Safety
- State of Good Repair
- Economic competitiveness
- Quality of Life
- Broad range of Stakeholders
- Innovation

Budget: \$2M

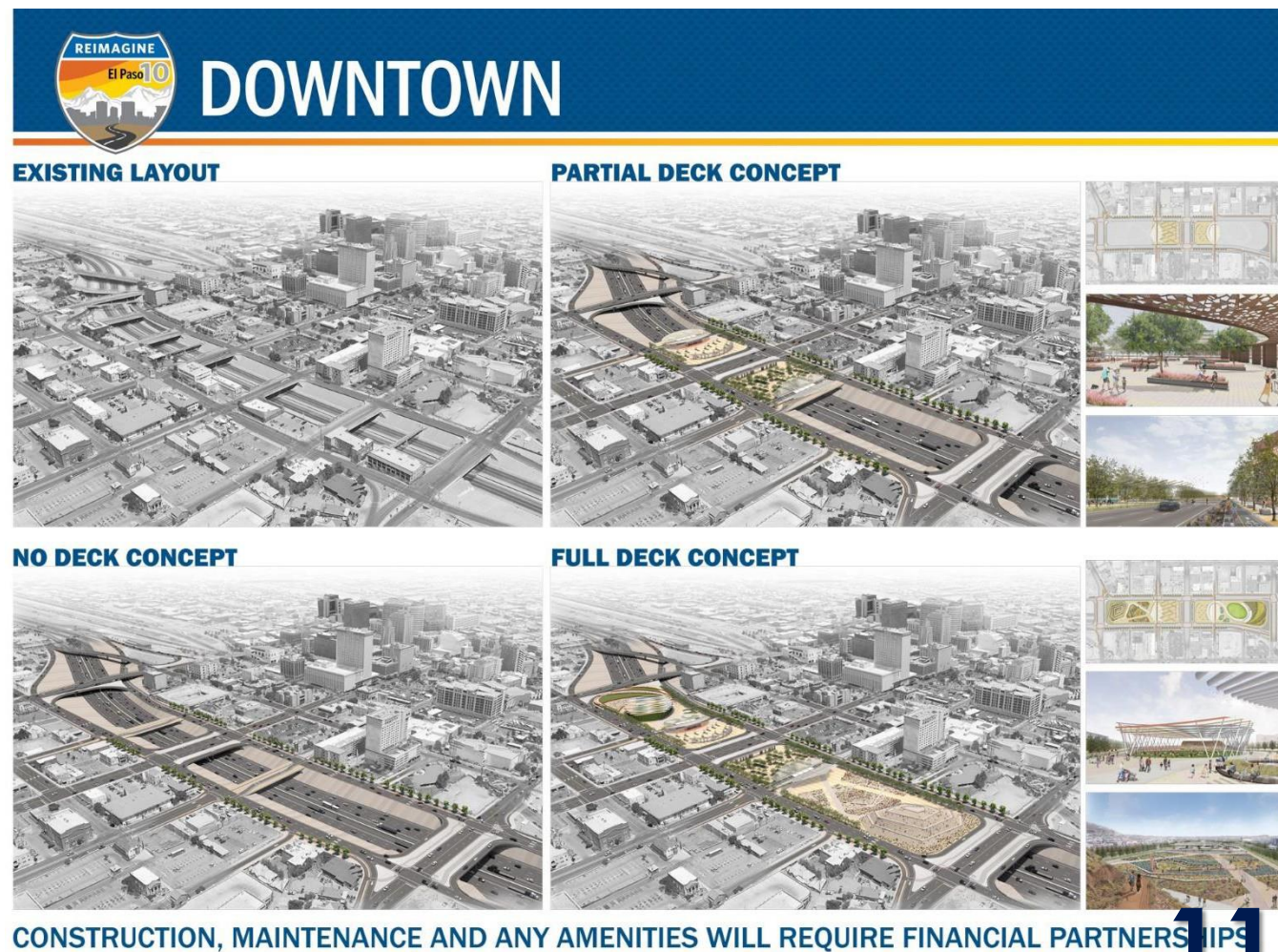
Non-Federal: \$500k

Federal: \$1.5M

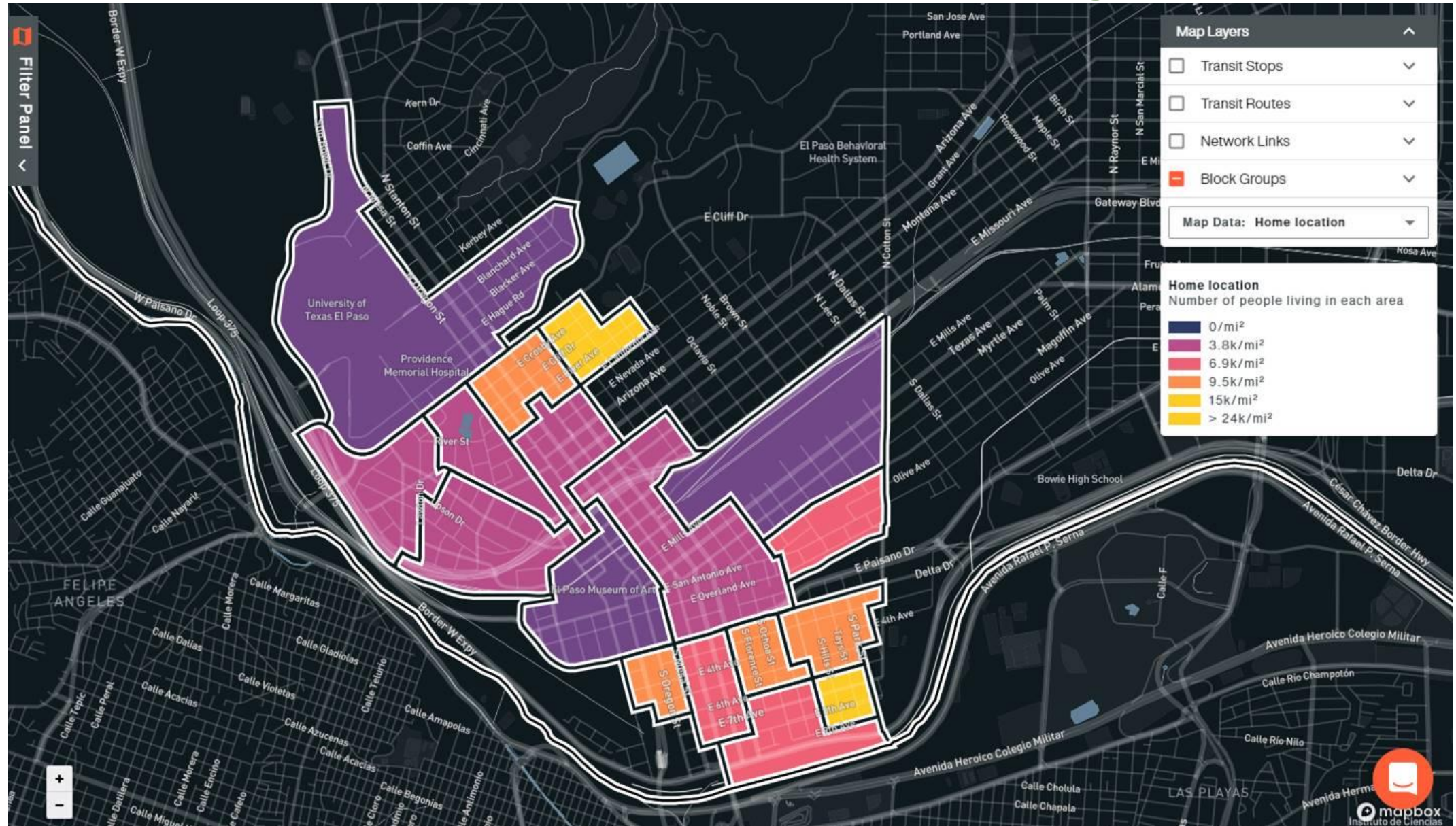
Funding Source: 2022 Capital Plan
Private Partnership

Estimated Timeline

Design: Fall 2021

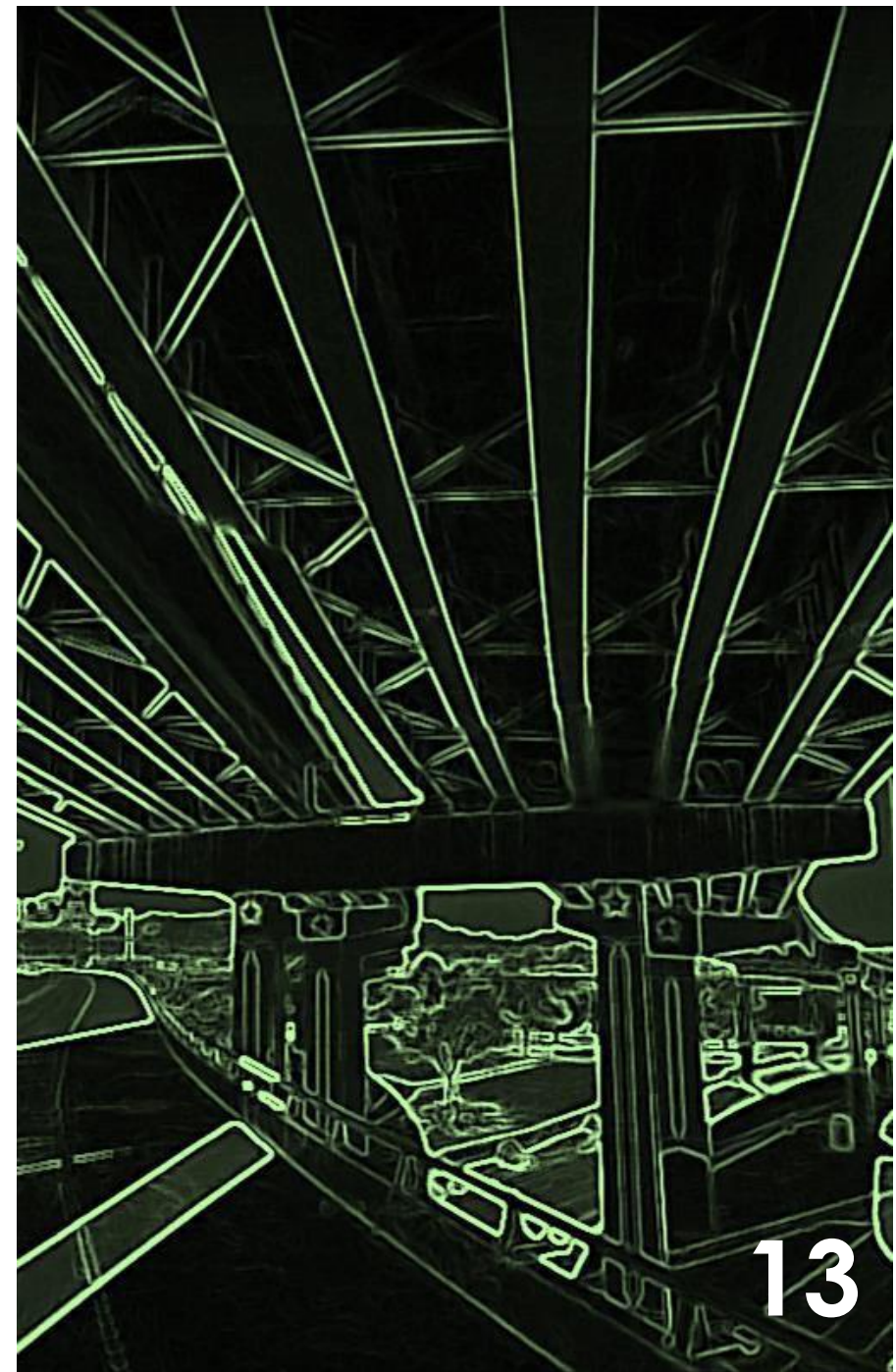


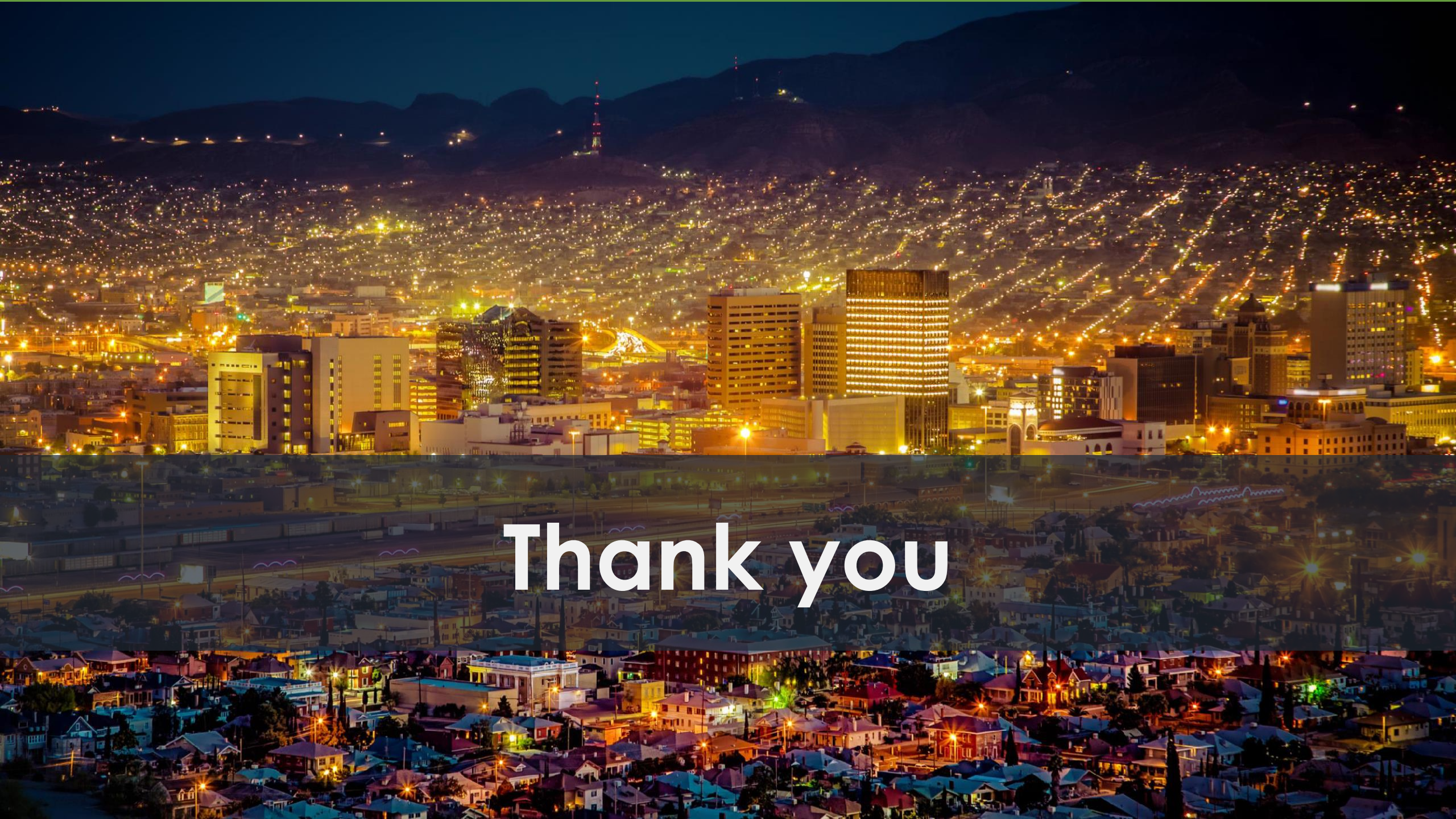
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Recommended Action

- City of El Paso hereby expressed support to apply for BUILD grant funds to support the following projects
 - Corridor TOD Reconstruction
 - Upper Deck I-10 Planning Grant





Thank you